

1 God has taken his stand in the council of heaven; ☩

in the midst of the gods he gives judgement:

2 'How long will you judge unjustly ☩

and show such favour to the wicked?

3 'You were to judge the weak and the orphan; ☩

defend the right of the humble and needy;

4 'Rescue the weak and the poor; ☩

deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

5 'They have no knowledge or wisdom;

they walk on still in darkness: ☩

all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

6 'Therefore I say that though you are gods ☩

and all of you children of the Most High,

7 'Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals ☩

and fall like one of their princes.'

8 Arise, O God and judge the earth, ☩

for it is you that shall take all nations for your possession.

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