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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