1 Many a time have they fought against me from my youth, but Israel now say;
2 many a time have they fought against me from my youth, but they have not prevailed against me.
3 The ploughers ploughed upon my back and made their furrows long.
4 But the righteous Lord has cut the cords of the wicked in pieces.
5 Let them be put to shame and turned backwards, as many as are enemies of Zion.
6 Let them be like grass upon the housetops, which withers before it can grow, no reaper can fill his hand, nor a binder of sheaves his bosom;
7 So that no reaper can fill his hand, nor a binder of sheaves his bosom;
8 And none who go by may say, the blessing of the Lord be upon you.
9 We bless you in the name of the Lord.

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