

1 'Many a time have they fought against me from my youth,' [□]

may 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,

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.' [□]

We bless you in the name of the Lord.'

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