



*Refrain: Keep me as the apple of your eye.*

1 Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High □

and abides under the shadow of the Almighty,

2 Shall say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my stronghold, □

my God, in whom I put my trust.'

3 For he shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler □

and from the deadly pestilence.

4 He shall cover you with his wings

and you shall be safe under his feathers; □

his faithfulness shall be your shield and buckler. [R]

5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, □

nor of the arrow that flies by day;

6 Of the pestilence that stalks in darkness, □

nor of the sickness that destroys at noonday.

7 Though a thousand fall at your side

and ten thousand at your right hand, □

yet it shall not come near you.

8 Your eyes have only to behold □

to see the reward of the wicked. [R]

9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge □

and the Most High your stronghold,

10 There shall no evil happen to you, ☩

neither shall any plague come near your tent.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, ☩

to keep you in all your ways.

12 They shall bear you in their hands, ☩

lest you dash your foot against a stone.

13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; ☩

the young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot. *[R]*

14 Because they have set their love upon me,

therefore will I deliver them; ☩

I will lift them up, because they know my name.

15 They will call upon me and I will answer them; ☩

I am with them in trouble,

I will deliver them and bring them to honour.

16 With long life will I satisfy them ☩

and show them my salvation.

*Refrain: Keep me as the apple of your eye.*

*Keep us, good Lord,*

*under the shadow of your mercy*

*and, as you have bound us to yourself in love,*

*leave us not who call upon your name,*

*but grant us your salvation,*

*made known in the cross of Jesus Christ our Lord.*

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