

Preserve me, Lord, from crafty foes

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Ps. 140th. for time of War or Persecution.

Text: Tate/Brady on Ps. 140

Pre - serve me, Lord, from craf - ty foes Of trea - che - rous in - tent;
The proud for me have laid their snare, And spread their wi - ly net;
But thus en - vi - ron'd with dis - tress, Thou art my God, I said;
God will as - sert the poor man's cause, And spee - dy suc - cour give;

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And from the sons of vi - o - lence, On o - pen mis - chief bent.
With traps and gins, wher - e'er I move, I find my steps be - set.
Lord, hear my sup - pli - ca - ting voice, That calls to thee for aid.
The just shall ce - le - brate his praise, And in his pre - sence live.

Notes: The alto part is printed in the alto clef in the source.

The text is indicated in the source by the heading 'Ps. 140th', and by the opening words of the first verse, 'Preserve me Lord &c.'. This first verse has here been given in full and three other verses selected from the text have been added editorially.