Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16ⁱⁱⁱ

¹In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; * deliver me in your righteousness.

²Incline your ear to me; *

make haste to deliver me.

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; *

for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

⁴Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, * for you are my tower of strength.

⁵Into your hands I commend my spirit, *

for you have redeemed me, O LORD, O God of truth.

¹⁵My times are in your hand; *

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

 $^{\rm 16}{\rm Make}$ your face to shine upon your servant, *

and in your loving-kindness save me."

Palm 31 is a lament by one surrounded by evil people. Trust in God encourages the psalmist to entrust himself to God's care. In anticipation of God's deliverance, the psalmist prays with thanksgiving and joy.

^{}About the Psalm: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16**