

PSALM 72

Give the king justice God give your son righteousness His right judgements come.
The mountains will bring prosperity to people, righteous fruits from hills.
Help the afflicted, save all the needy children, crush the oppressor,
Endure like the Sun. Last as long as the Moon through the age of man.
Rain falls on mown grass showers will water the earth: righteousness flowers.
Prosperity's full. The moon is no longer there. He rules sea to sea.
From the river's edge, to the ends of the whole earth desert people bow
Enemies lick dust. The kings come from distant shores, bringing him tribute.
Kings from east and west Presenting expensive gifts. They bow down to him.
All nations serve him. Saved are the needy who cry and those who are lost.
He pities the weak. The needy he saves from death; Rescues the oppressed.
Safe from violence, Precious their blood in his sight, He will rescue them.
Long may his life be. Gold from Sheba given him. The people will pray.
Their blessings flow up continuously each day like incense rising.
Grain is plentiful, even to the top of hills, swaying in the wind.
Ripe Lebanon fruits, grain thrives like native grasses. His name now endures.
Forever his name Endures as long as the sun, Blessed of all nations.
Praise be to the Lord God the god of Israel. Marvellous His deeds
His glory to men. His name be praised forever. Let the earth be filled.
His Glory, Amen. Amen to his holy name. Prayers of David end

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Each line follows the 5-7-5 syllable pattern of the Japanese haiku poetry arrangement.