

PSALM

38 In wrath do not rebuke me, LORD

Dm Gm Dm A7 Dm C F A7 D° A

1 In wrath do not re - buke me, LORD, or in your an - ger chas - ten me.
 2 Be - cause your an - ger rests on me, my bod - y has no health with - in;
 3 My guilt has o - ver - whelmed my soul; its bur - den is a crush - ing weight.

Dm Am E7 Am Dm A7 Dm Gm Dm A7 Dm

Your ar - rows deep - ly pierce my soul; your hand lies on me heav - i - ly.
 there is no sound - ness in my bones, be - cause you judge me for my sin.
 My wounds are foul and fes - ter - ing, be - cause my fool - ish - ness is great.

4 I am bowed down, I am brought low,
 and I go mourning all the day.
 My back is filled with searing pain,
 and my whole body wastes away.

5 I'm feeble and completely crushed;
 in anguish of my heart I groan.
 LORD, my desires before you lie;
 to you my sighing is well known.

6 My heart beats wildly, strength has failed,
 the light has faded from my eye.
 My friends and neighbours keep away;
 they see my wounds and then pass by.

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- 7 My enemies who seek my life
with cunning set their snares for me;
my foes conspire to do me harm,
and all day long plot treachery.
- 8 I'm like the deaf, who cannot hear,
and like the mute, who cannot cry.
I'm like a man who hears no sound,
whose mouth can offer no reply.
- 9 I wait for you, O LORD my God;
and you, O LORD, will answer me.
I prayed to you, "If my foot slips,
let them not gloat exultantly."
- 10 Indeed I am about to fall;
my pain is ever deep within.
I must confess iniquity,
and I am troubled by my sin.
- 11 My foes are vigorous and strong;
and many hate me wrongfully.
My good with evil they repay;
when I seek good, they slander me.
- 12 O LORD, do not abandon me;
do not be far from me, my God.
Come quickly to deliver me
because you are my Saviour, LORD.