

Third poem—“Why Has Your King Been Defeated?”

“Why have you rejected me, the one you
 anointed?
 Why would you cast me off?
 Why would you love your enemy
 over me, your servant?
 You have stripped away my crown and thrown it
 to the ground.
 You have broken down all my walls of defense
 and have hidden my eyes, hiding places to turn
 my back on my enemies.
 All the day long they attack and rob me
 because my anger has turned away.
 Instead of helping me, you took the side of
 my enemies.
 You have given them strength to subdue me
 and they have watched and celebrated their victory.
 You are no longer helping me in battle.
 You’ve forsaken me to the swords of those
 who would strike me down.
 You’ve reduced my royal splendor to decrease
 and allowed my enemies to be overthrown.
 Because of this, I will become old before my
 time and
 I’m publicly disgraced.”

Pause in his presence

He
 Won't
 forget
 me.

Fourth poem—“Save Me, God”

“How long will you hide your love from me?
 Have you left me to go on?”

89-90 placed the word down, some translations render it “dignity.”

