

DRAW ME CLOSER

the Lord is the safest place

for the poor.

⁵But just look at them now, in panic, trembling with terror.

For the Lord is on the side of the generation of loyal lovers.

⁶The Lord is always the safest place for the poor when the workers of wickedness oppress them.

⁷How I wish their time of rescue were already here

and that God would appear, arising from the midst of his Zion-people to save and restore his very own.

Then what gladness and joy will break forth when the Lord rescues Israel!

Psalm 15

LIVING IN THE SHINING PLACE^a

A poetic song by King David



¹Lord, who dares to dwell with you?
Who presumes the privilege of being close to you,
living next to you in your shining place of glory?^b

^a Perhaps David's prophetic minstrels sang this song of instruction, as they led the ark to rest in David's tent. It is a song that reveals who will dwell in God's holy presence and who will live with him in heaven's glory. It actually is a description of Zion's perfect Man, Christ Jesus, and all those who are transformed into his image (Romans 8:29).

^b 15:1 The Hebrew word for sanctuary is taken from a root word for "shining place."