



IF THE LORD HAD NOT BEEN ON OUR SIDE--
LET ISRAEL SAY--
IF THE LORD HAD NOT BEEN ON
OUR SIDE WHEN MEN ATTACKED US,
WHEN THEIR ANGER FLARED AGAINST US,
THEY WOULD HAVE SWALLOWED US ALIVE;
THE FLOOD WOULD HAVE ENGULFED US,
THE TORRENT WOULD HAVE SWEEPED OVER US,
THE RAGING WATERS WOULD HAVE SWEEPED US AWAY.
PRAISE BE TO THE LORD, WHO HAS NOT
LET US BE TORN BY THEIR TEETH.
WE HAVE ESCAPED LIKE A BIRD
OUT OF THE FOWLER'S SNARE;
THE SNARE HAS BEEN BROKEN, A
ND WE HAVE ESCAPED.
OUR HELP IS IN THE NAME OF THE LORD,
THE MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH.

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