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You have been my help - er, O my God.

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my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
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- 2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *
that I might behold your power and your glory. [Ant.]
- 3 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
my lips shall give you praise.
- 4 So will I bless you as long as I live *
and lift up my hands in your Name. [Ant.]
- 5 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
- 6 When I remember you upon my bed, *
and meditate on you in the night watches. [Ant.]
- 7 For you have been my helper, *
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
- 8 My soul clings to you; *
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Let us remember those who have died.

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