

# 49. THE BEASTS THAT PERISH

**(Em-E11/F#-G-E11/F# X4)**

Hear this, all ye people; give ear, all ye inhabitants of the world:  
Both low and high, rich and poor, together.  
My mouth shall speak of wisdom;  
And the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.

**(D-Gsus X4)**

I will incline mine ear to a parable:  
I will open my dark saying upon the harp.  
Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil,  
When the iniquity of my heels shall compass me about?

**(Em-E11/F#-G-E11/F# X4)**

They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches;  
None of them can by any means redeem his brother,  
Nor give to God a ransom for him:  
(For the redemption of their soul is precious, and it ceaseth for ever:)

**(D-Gsus X8)**

That he should still live forever, and not see corruption.  
For he seeth that wise men die, likewise the fool and the brutish person perish,  
And leave their wealth to others. Their inward thought is,  
That their houses shall continue forever,

**(A-D X4, G-D/F#-Emsus X1)**

And their dwelling places to all generations;  
They call their lands after their own names.  
Nevertheless man being in honour abideth not:  
He is like the beasts that perish.

**(Em-E11/F#-G-E11/F# X4)**

This their way is their folly: yet their posterity approve their sayings.  
Like sheep they are laid in the grave; death shall feed on them;  
And the upright shall have dominion over them in the morning;  
And their beauty shall consume in the grave from their dwelling.

**(D-Gsus X8)**

But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave:  
For he shall receive me. be not thou afraid  
When one is made rich, when the glory of his house is increased;  
For when he dieth he shall carry nothing away:  
His glory shall not descend after him. Though while he lived he blessed his soul:

**(Em-E11/F#-G-E11/F# X4)**

And men will praise thee,  
When thou doest well to thyself.  
He shall go to the generation of his fathers; they shall never see light.  
Man that's in honour, and understandeth not, is like the beasts that perish.