**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.**