



Psalm 116:1–14

1 I love the LORD, because | he has heard*
 my voice and my pleas for | mercy.

2 Because he inclined his | ear to me,*
 therefore I will call on him as long | as I live.

3 The snares of death encompassed me;
 the pangs of Sheol laid | hold on me;*
 I suffered distress and | anguish.

4 Then I called on the name | of the LORD:*
 “O LORD, I pray, deliv- | er my soul!”

5 Gracious is the LORD, and | righteous,*
 our God is | merciful.

6 The LORD preserves the | simple;*
 when I was brought low, he | saved me.

7 Return, O my soul, | to your rest;*
 for the LORD has dealt bountifully | with you.

8 For you have delivered my | soul from death,*
 my eyes from tears,
 my feet from | stumbling;

9 I will walk be- | fore the LORD*
 in the land of the | living.

10 I believed, even | when I spoke,*
 “I am greatly af- | flicted”;

11 I said in | my alarm,*
 “All mankind are | liars.”

12 What shall I render | to the LORD*
 for all his bene- | fits to me?

13 I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation*
 and call on the name | of the LORD,

14 I will pay my vows | to the LORD*
 in the presence of all his | people.