



**Study Notes – April 14, 2024**

**“The Prayer of a Righteous Man Burdened with the Severity of God”  
Psalm 39**

1. Title: To the Chief Musician. To Jeduthun. A psalm of David. (1 Chr 16:41-42; 25)
2. First stanza (39:1-3): David's pent-up protest while remaining faithful to Yahweh
3. Second stanza (39:4-6): David's disgust at his frailty, yet his prayer to learn it well
4. Third stanza (39:7-11): David's cry for deliverance from Yahweh Who was severely crushing him with blows
5. Fourth stanza (39:12-13): David admits he is a *stranger with Yahweh* but asks Him to hear his prayer, which is stranger yet—*Remove Your gaze from me.*

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