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Text:

- <sup>5</sup> May they fear you while the sun endures, and as long as the moon, throughout all generations! <sup>6</sup> May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass, like showers that water the earth! <sup>7</sup> In his days may the righteous flourish, and peace abound, till the moon be no more!
- <sup>8</sup> May he have dominion from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth!
  <sup>9</sup> May desert tribes bow down before him, and his enemies lick the dust! <sup>10</sup> May the kings of Tarshish and of the coastlands render him tribute; may the kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts! <sup>11</sup> May all kings fall down before him, all nations serve him!

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- <sup>15</sup>Long may he live; may gold of Sheba be given to him! May prayer be made for him continually, and blessings invoked for him all the day! <sup>16</sup> May there be abundance of grain in the land; on the tops of the mountains may it wave; may its fruit be like Lebanon; and may people blossom in the cities like the grass of the field! <sup>17</sup> May his name endure forever, his fame continue as long as the sun! May people be blessed in him, all nations call him blessed!
- <sup>18</sup> Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things. <sup>19</sup> Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and Amen!
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