

# God Tests the Children of Men

## Psalm 11

- A** In the Lord put I my trust [the righteous] *Personal statement of confidence*
- B** The wicked shoot arrows at the upright [privately] *Investigative Judgment*
- C** The Lord is in His holy temple
- D** The Lord's throne is in heaven
- D** His eyelids try the children of men
- C** The Lord trieth the righteous
- B** The wicked God's soul hateth. He executes judgment upon the wicked [publicly] *God will execute judgment on the wicked for their treatment of the righteous*
- A** For the righteous Lord loveth righteousness  
He beholds the upright *Those who put their trust in Him*
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God will try the righteous in righteousness (note connection between vs. 7 and vs. 5)  
vs. 3 and 4 – convey confidence that because God's throne is in heaven, where He dwells in this holy temple  
—the foundation of the upright is secure.

[Though the word Judgment is not used in the chapter once, the concept is present, clearly seen as the pinnacle thought of the chapter. As in many of the psalms, the concept of Judgment is a central focus point.]