**A PRAYER from Psalm 52 adapted and personalized for Baptist spiritual workers**

**PSALM 52 REBUKING THE EVIL ONE**

**Psa 52:1** Why do you boast rebellious serpent, great one, of your evil? God's faithfulness is eternal – praise his name!

Psa 52:2 You make plans to ruin others; your tongue is like a sharp razor. You are always inventing lies.

Psa 52:3 You love evil more than good and falsehood more than truth.

Psa 52:4 You love to hurt people with your words, you liar!

Psa 52:5 So God will ruin you forever; he will take hold of you and snatch you from your home; he will remove you from the world of the living.

Psa 52:6 Righteous people will see this and be afraid; then they will laugh at you and say,

Psa 52:7 "Look, here is the fallen serpent who did not depend on God for safety, but trusted instead in his own great splendor and looked for security in being wicked."

Psa 52:8 But I am like an olive tree growing in the house of God; I trust in his constant love forever and ever.

Psa 52:9 I will always thank you, God, for what you have done; in the presence of your people I will proclaim that you are fantastic.