God directs the life of his servants. 1-11

God directs the judgment of the wicked. 12-22

God honors the lives of His servants. 23-34

God distinguishes and judges all. 35-40

Just a great psalm of deliverance and trust.

Psalm 86

a. Our three points (earlier work) are seen in in this psalm rather easily.

> # 1 ...v. 11 # 2 ...v. 7 # 3 ...vv. 4-5

- b. Titular note: Hear Me, Lord (Jensen)
- c. Questions:
 - (1) Historical background ...

The psalm is specifically called a "prayer" of David..we do not know the background although it seems to originate in a time of trouble.

(2) Literary features:

There are three stanzas:

d. d 1-7, address to God 8-13, praise to God 14-17, complaint/petition to God.

Note the speech figures of v.1.