127:1 שָׁרְא בַּיִת יְבְנֶה לוֹ יְהְוָה אַם לְּשְׁלְמֹה הַמְּעֲלוֹת שִׁיר shir e-moluth l-shlme am - ieue la - ibne bith shua omlu song-of the ascents to Solomon if Yahweh not he-is-building house futility they-toil

בּוֹנְיו בוֹנְיו buni·u bous-building-of·him in·him if vahwen not value in hor val

1. <<A Song of degrees for Solomon.>> Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the LORD keep the city, the watchman waketh [but] in vain.

שׁוֹמֵר : shumr : one-guarding

127:2 אֶלֶל שֶׁבֶּת - מְאַחְבֵי קוּם מַשְׁכִּימֵי לֶּכֶם שׁוְא shua l·km mshkimi qum machri - shbth akli futility to·you(p) ones-crising-early to-rise-of ones-mdelaying-of to-sit-of ones-eating-of

² [It is] vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: [for] so he giveth his beloved sleep.

בּקֶם בְּעֶבֶּרִים לֶּהֶם : שֶׁנֶא בָּיוֹם הְעֵצְבִּים : tchm e-otzbim kn ithn 1-idid-u shna sbread-of the-grievous-labors so he-is-giving to-darling-of-him sleep

27:3 הַבֶּשֶׁן פְּרִי שֶׂכֶּר בְּנִים יְהוָה ene nchlth ieue bnim shkr phri e·btn : behold ! allotment-of Yahweh sons hire fruit-of the·belly

127:4 בְּיֵר כְּחָצִים בּגָי כֵן נְבּוֹר - בְּיֵר כְּחָצִים : k·chtzim b·id - gbur kn bni e·nourim as·arrows in·hand-of master so sons-of the·youths

- ³ Lo, children [are] an heritage of the LORD: [and] the fruit of the womb [is his] reward.
- ⁴ As arrows [are] in the hand of a mighty man; so [are] children of the youth.
- ⁵ Happy [is] the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate.