Year 2 Term 2 Week 8 Day 1 Grammar: subjunctive mood, fourth conjugation

Latin Without Tears pages 228b-230a introduces the subjunctive mood, fourth conjugation. Go through it in the usual way.

Bible Examples:

veniant mihi miserationes tuae, et vivam: quia lex tua meditatio mea est Psalm:119:77 *Miserationes tuae* is the subject. Use "let" for this subjunctive. *Mihi* is "to me." Put "com" in front of *miserationes* to get roughly the English translation, "tender mercies". The Psalmist is speaking to God here. You should be able to get the rest.

audi populus meus et contestabor te Israhel si audias me Psalm 81:8

Audi is imperative. *Contestabor* is a deponent verb (it is active but looks passive – don't worry about it just take my word for it now and imagine it without the *r* on the end! That would give you *contestabo* which looks like future first person – which it is.) meaning "call to witness." Can you translate the subjunctive here? Remember the subjunctive expresses a hypothetical situation, a wish or even a hope or suggestion.