

The ^Psalmes of David.

THE ARGUMENT

This book of Psalmes is set forth unto us by the holie Gost to be esteemed as a most precious treasure, wherein all things are contained that appertain to true felicitie: aswel, in this life present as in the life to come. For the riches of true knowledge, and heavenly wisdom are here set open for us, to take thereof most abundantly. If we would know the great, and high majesty of God, here we may see the brightness thereof shine most clearly. If we would seek his incomprehensible wisdom, here is the school of the same profession. If we would comprehend his inestimable bounty, and approach near thereunto, and fill your hands with that treasure, here we may have a most lively, and comfortable taste thereof. If we would know wherein standeth our salvation, and how to attain to life everlasting, here is Christ our only redeemer, and mediator most evidently described. The rich man may learn the true use of his riches. The poor man may find full contentation. He that wil rejoyce, shal know the true joy, and how to keep measure therein. They that are afflicted and oppressed, shal see wherein standeth their comfort, and how they ought to praise God when he sendeth them deliverance. The wicked and the persecutors of the children of God shal see how the hand of God is ever against them: and though he suffer them to prosper for a while, yet he brideleth them, in so much as they can not touch an hair of one's head, except he permit them, and how in the end their destruction is most miserable. Briefly, here we have most present remedies against all tentations, and troubles of mind and conscience, so that being practiced herein, we may be assured against all dangers in this life, live in the true fear, and love of God, and at length attain to that incorruptible crown of glory, which is laid up for all them that love the comming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Book 1 Psalms 1 - 41 PSAL. 1.

Whether it was Esdras, or any other that gathered the Psalmes into a book, it semeth he did set this Psalm first in manner of a preface, to exhort all godly men to study, and meditate the heavenly wisdom. For the effect hereof is, 1 That they be blessed, which give them selves wholly all their life to the holy Scriptures. 4 And that the wicked contemners of God, thought they seem for a while happy, yet at length shal come to miserable destruction.

Blessed is the man that doeth not walk in the ^acounsel of the wicked, nor stand in the way of sinners, nor sit in the seat of the scornful:
2 But his delite is in the ^{*}Law of the Lord, and in his ^bLaw doeth he meditate day and night.
3 For he shal be like a ^{*}tre planted by the rivers of waters, that wil bring forth her fruit in due season: whose leaf shal not fade: so ^cwhatsoever he shal do, shal prosper.
4 ^dThe wicked are not so, but as the chaff, which the wind driveth away.
5 Therefore the wicked shal not stand in the ^eJudgement, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.
6 For the Lord ^fknoweth the way of the righteous, and the way of the wicked shal perish.

PSAL. 2.

6 The Prophet David rejoyceth that notwithstanding his enemy's rage, yet God wil continue his kingdom for ever and advance it even to the end of the world, 10 And therefore exhorteth Kings and rulers, that they would humbly submit them selves under

[^]Or. Praises, according to the Ebrewes: and were chiefly institute to praise, and give thanks to God for his benefits. They are called the Psalmes, or Songs of David because the most part were made by him.

1 a When that man has given once place to evil counsel, or to his own concupiscence, he begins to forget himself in his sin, and so falls in to contempt of God, which contempt is called the seat of the scornful.

2 ^{*}Deut. 6.6, Josh. 1.8, Pro. 6.20.

2 b In the holy Scriptures.

3 ^{*}Jer. 17.8.

3 c God's children are so moistened ever with his grace, that whatsoever comes unto them, tends to their salvation.

4 d Though the wicked seem to bear the swing in this world, yet the Lord drives them down that they shall not rise nor stand in the company of the righteous.

5 e But tremble, when they feel God's wrath.

6 f Does approve & prosper, like as not to know, is to reprove and reject.

God's yoke, because it is in vain to resist God. Herein is figured Christ's kingdom.

Why do the ^aheathen ^{*}rage, and the people murmur in vain? 2 The Kings of the earth band them selves, and the princes are assembled together against the Lord, and against his [^]Christ.

3 ^bLet us break their bands, and cast their cords from us.

4 ^{*}But he that dwelleth in the heaven shal laugh: The Lord shal have them in derision.

5 ^cThen shal he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure, *saying,*

6 *Even I have set my King upon Zi^on mine holie mountain.*

7 I wil declare the ^ddecree: *that is,* the Lord hath said unto me, ^{*}Thou art my Son: this ^eday have I begotten thee.

8 Ask of me, and I shal give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the ^fends of the earth for thy possession.

9 ^{*}Thou shalt crush them with a scepter of iron, *and break them in pieces like a potter's vessel.*

10 ^gBe wise now therefore, ye Kings: be learned ye Judges of the earth.

11 Serve the Lord in fear, and rejoyce in trembling.

12 ^hKiss the Son, lest he be angry, & ye ⁱperish in the way, when his wrath shal suddenly burn, blessed *are* all that trust in him.

PSAL. 3.

1 David driven forth of his kingdom, was greatly tormented in mind for his sins against God: 4 And therefore calleth upon God,

1 a The conspiracy of the Gentiles, and murmuring of the Jews, and power of Kings can not prevail against Christ.

1 ^{*}Act. 4.25.

2 [^]Or, anointed.

3 b Thus the wicked say, that they will cast off the yoke of God and of his Christ.

4 ^{*}Pro. 1.26.

5 c God's plagues will declare that in resisting his Christ, they fought against him.

7 d To show that my vocation to the kingdom is of God.

7 ^{*}Act. 13.23, Ebr. 1.5.

7 e That is to say, as touching man's knowledge, because it was the first time that David appeared to be elected of God. So is it applied to Christ in his first coming and manifestation to the world.

8 f Not only the Jews but the Gentiles, also.

9 ^{*}Rev. 2.27.

10 g He exhorts all rulers to repent in time.

12 h In sign of homage.

12 i When the wicked shall say, Peace and rest, seeming yet to be but in the midway of their purposes, then shall destruction suddenly come, 1 Thess. 5.3.

and waxeth bold through his promises against the great railings and terrors of his enemies, yea, against death it self, which he saw present before his eyes. 7 Finally he rejoiceth for the good success, that God gave him, and all the Church.

Lord, how are mine adversaries ^aincreased? how many rise against me? 2 Many say to my soul, *There is no help for him in God.* ^bSélah.

3 But thou Lord art a buckler for me: my glory, and the lifter up of mine head.

4 I did call unto the Lord with my voice, and he heard me out of his holie mountain. Sélah.

5 I laid me down and slept, *and* rose up again: for the Lord sustained me.

6 I wil not be afraid for ^cten thousand of the people, that should beset me round about.

7 O Lord, arise: help me, my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies upon the cheek bone: thou hast broken the teeth of the wicked.

8 ^dSalvation *belongeth* unto the Lord, *and* thy blessing *is* upon thy people. Sélah.

PSAL. 4.

1 When Saúl persecuted him, he called upon God, trusting most assuredly in his promise, and therefore boldly reproveth his enemies, who willfully resisted his dominion, 7 And finally preferreth the favor of God before all worldly treasures.

^aTo him that excelleth on Neginóth. A Psalm of David.

Hear me when I call, ^bô God of my righteousness: thou hast set me at liberty, *when I was* ^cin distress: have mercy upon me and hearken unto my prayer.

2 O ye ^dsons of men, how long *wil ye turn* my glory into shame, ^eloving vanity *and* seeking lies? Sélah.

3 For be ye sure that the Lord hath chosen to him self ^fa godlie man: the Lord wil hear when I call unto him.

4 ^gTremble, and sin not: examine your own heart upon your bed, and be ^hstil. Sélah.

5 ⁱOffer the sacrifices of righteousness, and trust in the Lord.

6 Many say, Who wil shew us *any* ^kgood? *but* Lord, lift up the light of thy countenance upon us.

7 Thou hast given me more joy of heart, then *they have had*, when their wheat and their wine did abunde.

1 a This was a token of his stable faith, that for all his troubles he had his recourse to God.

2 b Selah here signifies a lifting up of the voice, to cause us to consider the sentence, as a thing, of great importance.

6 c When he considered the truth of God's promise, and tried the same, his faith increased marvelously.

8 d Be the dangers never so great or many, yet God has ever means to deliver his.

Psalm 4

a Among them that were appointed to sing the Psalms, and to play on the instruments, one was appointed chief to set the tune, and to begin: who had the charge, because he was most excellent, and he began this Psalm on the instrument called Neginoth, or in a tune so called.

1 b You that are the defender of my just cause.

1 c Both of mind and body.

2 d You that think yourselves noble in this world.

2 e Though your enterprises please you never so much, yet God will bring them to nought.

3 f A King that walks in his vocation.

4 g For fear of God's Judgement.

4 h Cease your rage.

5 i Serve God purely and not with outward ceremonies.

6 k The multitude seek worldly wealth, but David sets his felicity in God's favor.

8 I wil lay me down, and also sleep in peace: for thou, Lord, ^lonly makest me dwell in safety.

PSAL. 5.

1 David oppressed with the crueltie of his enemies, and fearing greater dangers, calleth to God for succour, shewing how requisite it is that God should punish the malice of his adversaries. 7 After being assured of prosperous success, he conceiveth comfort, 12 Concluding that when God shal deliver him, others also shal be partakers of the same mercies.

To him that excelleth upon [^]Nehilóth. A Psalm of David.

Hear my words, ô Lord: understand my ^ameditation. 2 Harken unto the voice of my cry, my King and my God: for unto thee do I pray.

3 Hear my voice in the morning, ô Lord: *for* in the morning will I direct *me* unto thee, and I wil ^bwait.

4 For thou art not a God that loveth ^cwickedness: neither shal evil dwell with thee.

5 ^dThe foolish shal not stand in thy sight: *for* thou hatest all them that work iniquity.

6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak lies: the Lord wil abhor the bloody man and deceitful.

7 But I ^ewil come into thine house in the multitude of thy mercie: *and* in thy fear wil I worship toward thine holie Temple.

8 Lead me, ô Lord, in thy righteousness, ^fbecause of *mine* enemies: make thy way plain before my face.

9 For no constancy *is* in their mouth: within, they are very corruption: their ^gthroat *is* an open sepulchre, *and* they flatter with their tongue.

10 Destroy them, ô God: ^hlet them ^gfall from their counsels: cast them out for the multitude of their iniquities, because they have rebelled against thee.

11 And ⁱlet all them that trust in thee, rejoyce *and* triumph for ever, and cover thou them: and let them, that love thy Name, rejoyce in thee.

12 For thou Lord wilt ^lbless the righteous, *and* with favor ^hwilt compass him, as with a shield.

PSAL. 6.

1 When David by his sins had provoked God's wrath, and now felt not only his hand against him, but also conceived the horrors of death everlasting, he desireth forgiveness, 6 Bewailing that if God took him away in his indignation, he should lack occasion to praise him as he was want to do, whiles he was among men. 9 Then suddenly feeling God's mercy, he sharply rebuketh his enemies which rejoiced in his affliction.

To him that excelleth on Neginóth upon the eight tune, A Psalm of David.

8 I This word in Ebrewe may be referred to God, as it is here translated, or to David, signifying that he should dwell as joyfully alone, as if he had many about him, because the Lord is with him

Psalm 5

[^]Or, a musical instrument or tune.

1 a That is, my vehement prayer and secret complaint and sighings.

3 b With patience and trust till I be heard.

4 c Seeing that God of nature hates wickedness he must needs punish the wicked and save the godly.

5 d Which run most ragingly after their carnal affections.

7 e In the deepest of his tentations he puts his full confidence in God.

8 f Because you are just, therefore lead me out of the dangers of my enemies.

9 ^{*}Rom. 3.13.

10 [^]Or, cause them to error.

10 g Let their devises come to nought.

11 h Your favor toward me shall confirm the faith of all others.

12 [^]Or, give good success.

12 i So that he shall be safe from all dangers.

Ⓟ Lord, ^arebuke me not in thine anger, neither chastise me in thy wrath. 2 Have mercy upon me, \hat{o} Lord, for I am weak: \hat{o} Lord heal me, for my ^bbones are vexed. 3 ^cMy soul is also sore troubled: but Lord how long wilt thou delay? 4 Return, \hat{o} Lord: deliver my soul: save me for thy mercies' sake. 5 For in ^ddeath *there is* no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall praise thee? 6 I fainted in my mourning: I cause my bed every night to swim, and water my couch with my tears. 7 ^eMine eye is dimmed for despise, and sunk in because of all mine enemies. 8 ^fAway from me all ye workers of iniquity: for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping. 9 The Lord hath heard my petition, the Lord will receive my prayer. 10 All mine enemies shall be confounded and sore vexed: they shall be turned back, and put to shame ^gsuddenly.

PSAL. 7.

1 Being falsely accused by Chush one of Saul's kinsemen, he calleth to God to be his defender, 2 To whom he commendeth his innocencie, 9 First shewing that his conscience did not accuse him of any evil toward Saul, 10 Next that it touched God's glorie to award sentence against the wicked. 12 And so entering into the consideration of God's mercies and promise, he waxeth bold and derideth the vain enterprises of his enemies, 16 Threatening that it shall fall on their own neck that which they have purposed for others.

^hShigai \hat{o} n of David, which he sang unto the Lord, concerning the ⁱwords of ^jChush the son of Jemini.

Ⓟ Lord my God, in thee I put me trust: save me from all that persecute me, and deliver me. 2 Lest ^ahe devour my soul like a lion, and tear it in pieces, while there is none to help. 3 O Lord my God, if I have done ^bthis thing: if there be any wickedness in mine hands, 4 ^cIf I have rewarded evil unto him that had peace with me, (yea I have delivered him that vexed me without cause) 5 *Then* let the enemy persecute my soul and take it: yea, let him tread my life down upon the earth, and lay mine ^dhonor in the dust. S \acute{e} lah. 6 Arise, \hat{o} Lord, in thy wrath, and lift up thy self against the rage of mine enemies, and awake for me *according to* the ^ejudgement *that* thou hast appointed. 7 So shall the Congregation of the people compass thee about:

1 ^{*}Jer. 10.24.

1 a Though I deserve destruction, yet let your mercy pity my frailty.

2 b For my whole strength is abated.

3 c His conscience is also touched with the fear of God's judgment.

5 d He laments that occasion should be taken from him to praise God in the Congregation.

7 [^]Or, my eye is eaten as it were with worms.

8 e God sends comfort and boldness in affliction, that we may triumph over our enemies.

10 f When the wicked think that the godly shall perish, God delivers them suddenly and destroys their enemies.

Psalm 7

[^]Or, kind of tune.

[^]Or, accusation.

^{*}2 Sam. 16.7.

2 a He desires God to deliver him from the rage of cruel Saul.

3 b Wherewith Chush charges me.

4 c If I revered not Saul for affinities' sake and preserved his life, 1 Sam. 26.8.

5 d Let me not only die, but be dishonored for ever.

6 e In promising me the kingdom.

for their sakes therefore ^freturn on high.

8 The Lord shall judge the people: judge thou me, \hat{o} Lord, according to my ^grighteousness, and according to mine innocencie, *that is* in me.

9 Oh let the malice of the wicked come to an end: but guide thou the just: for the righteous God tryeth the ^hhearts and reins.

10 My defense *is* in God, who preserveth the upright in heart.

11 God judgeth the righteous, and him that contemneth God, ⁱevery day.

12 Except ^khe turn, he hath whet his sword: he hath bent his bow and made it ready.

13 He hath also prepared him deadly weapons: he will ordain his arrows for them that persecute *me*.

14 ^{*}Behold, he shall travail with wickedness: for he hath conceived mischief, but he shall bring forth a lie.

15 He hath made a pit and digged it, and is fallen into the pit *that* he made.

16 His mischief shall return upon his own head, and his cruelty shall fall upon his own pate.

17 I will praise the Lord according to his ^lrighteousness, and will sing praise to the Name of the Lord most high.

PSAL. 8.

1 The Prophet considering the excellent liberalitie and fatherlie providence of God towards man, whom he made, as it were a god over all his works, doeth not only give great thanks, but is astonished with the admiration of the same, as one nothing able to compass such great mercies.

To him that excelleth on [^]Gittith. A Psalme of David.

Ⓟ Lord our Lord, how [^]excellent is thy Name in all the world! which hast set thy glory above the heavens. 2 Out of the ^amouth of babes and sucklings hast thou [^]ordained strength, because of thine enemies, that thou mightest [^]stil the enemy and the avenger.

3 When I behold thine heavens, *even* the works of thy fingers, the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained,

4 What is ^bman, *say I*, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

5 For thou hast made him a little lower than ^cGod, and crowned him with glory and worship.

6 Thou hast made him to have dominion in the works of thine hands, thou hast put all things under his feet.

7 All ^dsheep and oxen: yea, and the beasts of the field:

8 The fowls of the air, and the fish of the sea, *and* that which

7 f Not only for my, but for your Church's sake declare your power.

8 g As touching my behavior toward Saul and my enemies

9 h Though they pretend a just cause against me, yet God shall judge their hypocrisy.

11 i He does continually call the wicked to repentance by some signs of his judgments.

12 k Except Saul turn his mind, I die for he has both men and weapons to destroy me. Thus considering his great danger, he magnifies God's grace.

14 ^{*}Is. 59.4, Job 15.35.

17 l In keeping faithfully his promise with me.

Psalm 8

[^]Or, kind of instrument, or tune.

1 [^]Or, noble or marvelous.

2 a Though the wicked would hide God's praises, yet the very babes are sufficient witnesses of the same.

2 [^]Or, established.

2 [^]Or, confound.

4 b It had been sufficient for him to have set forth his glory by the heavens, though he had not come so low as to man, which is but dust.

5 c Touching his first creation.

7 d By the temporal gifts of man's creation he is led to consider the benefits which he has by his regeneration through Christ.

passeth through the paths of the seas.

9 O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

PSAL. 9.

1 After he had given thanks to God for the sundrie victories that he had sent him against his enemies, and also proved by manifold experience how ready God was at hand in all his troubles 14 He being now likewise in danger of new enemies, desireth God to help him according to his worte, 17 And to destroy the malicious arrogancie of his adversaries.

To him that excelleth upon [^]Muth Labbén. A Psalme of David.

I Will praise the Lord with my ^awhole heart: I will speak of all thy marvelous works. 2 I wil be glad, and rejoyce in thee: I will sing praise to thy Name, ^o most high, 3 For that mine enemies are turned back: they shal fall, and perish at thy presence. 4 For ^bthou hast maintained my right and my cause: thou art set in the throne, *and* judgest right. 5 Thou hast rebuked the heathen: thou hast destroyed the wicked: thou hast put out their name for ever and ever. 6 ^oO enemie, destructions are come to a perpetual end, and thou hast destroyed the cities: their memorial is perished with them. 7 But the Lord [^]shal sit for ever: he hath prepared his throne for judgement. 8 For he shal judge the world in righteousness, *and* shal judge the people with equity. 9 The Lord also wil be a refuge for the ^dpoor, a refuge in *due* time, *even* in affliction. 10 And they that know thy Name, wil trust in thee: for thou, Lord, hast not failed them that seek thee. 11 Sing praises to the Lord, which dwelleth in Zi^on: shewe the people his works. 12 For ^ewhen he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembreth it, *and* forgetteth not the complaint of the poor. 13 Have mercy upon me, ^o Lord: consider my trouble, *which I suffer* of them that hate me, thou that liftest me up from the gates of death. 14 That I may shewe all thy praises within the ^fgates of the daughter of Zi^on, *and* rejoyce in thy salvation. 15 The heathen are ^gsunken down in the pit, *that* they made: in the net that they hid, is their foot taken. 16 ^hThe Lord is known by executing judgement: the wicked is snared in the work of his own hands. [^]Higgai^on. Seláh. 17 The wicked shal turn into hel, *and* all nations that forget God. 18 For the poor shal not be alwaie forgotten: the hope ⁱof the afflicted shal not perish for ever. 19 Up Lord: let not man prevail: let the heathen be judged in thy

[^]Or, kind of instrument or tune, or for the Death of Labben (a fool) or Goliath.

1 a God is not praised, except the whole glory be given to him alone.

4 b Howsoever the enemy seem for a time to prevail, yet God preserves the just.

6 c A derision of the enemy, that minds nothing but destruction: but the Lord will deliver his, and bring him into judgment.

7 [^]Or, reign as Judge.

9 d Our miseries are means to cause us to feel God's present care over us.

12 e Though God revenges not suddenly the wrong done to his, yet he suffers not the wicked unpunished.

14 f In the open assembly of the Church.

15 g For God overthrows the wicked in their enterprises.

16 h The mercy of God toward his Saints must be declared, and the fall of the wicked must always be considered.

16 [^]Or, this is worthy to be noted.

18 i God promises not to help us before we have felt the cross.

sight.

20 Put them in fear, ^o Lord, that the heathen maie know that they are but [^]men. Seláh.

PSAL. 10.

1 He complaineth of the fraud, rapine, tyrannie, and all kinds of wrong, which worldelie men use, assigning the cause thereof, that wicked men, being as it were drunken with worldelie prosperitie, and therefore setting apart all fear and reverence towards God, think they may do all things without controverting (opposition). 15 Therefore he calleth upon God to send some remedie against these desperate evils, 16 And at length comforteth him self with hope of deliverance.

WHy standest thou far off, ^o Lord, *and* hidest thee in ^adue time, *even* in affliction? 2 The wicked with pride doeth persecute the poor: let them be taken in the crafts that they have imagined.

3 For the wicked hath ^bmade boast of his own heart's desire, and the covetous blesseth *him self*: he contemneth the Lord.

4 The wicked is so proud that he seketh not *for God*: he thinketh alwaies, There is no God.

5 His waies alwaie prosper: thy Judgements are high above his sight: therefore [^]defieth he all his enemies.

6 He saieth in his heart, I shal [^]never be moved, ^onor be in danger.

7 His mouth is ful of cursing and deceit and fraud: under his tongue is mischief and iniquity.

8 ^oHe lieth in wait in the villages: in the secret places doeth he murther the innocent: he eyes are bent against the poor.

9 He lieth in wait secretly, *even* as a Lyon in his den: he lieth in wait to spoil the poor: he doeth spoil the poor, when he draweth him into his net.

10 He crowcheth *and* boweth: therefore heaps of the ^epoor do fall by his might.

11 He hath said in his heart, God hath forgotten, he hideth awaie his face, *and* wil never see.

12 ^fArise, ^o Lord God: lift up thine hand: forget not the poor.

13 Wherefore doeth the wicked contemn God? he saieth in his heart, Thou wilt not ^gregard.

14 *Yet* thou hast seen it: for thou beholdest mischief and wrong, that thou maiest ^htake it into thine hands: the poor committeth him self unto thee: *for* thou art the helper of the fatherless.

15 Break thou the arm of the wicked and malicious: search his wickedness, *and* thou shalt find ⁱnone.

16 The Lord *is* King for ever & ever: the ^kheathen are destroyed forth of his land.

17 Lord, thou hast heard the desire of the poor: thou preparest

20 k Which they can not learn without the fear of your Judgment.

Psalm 10

1 a So soon as we enter into affliction, we think God should help us, but that is not always his due time.

3 b The wicked man rejoices in his own lust, he boasts when he has that he would: he brags of his wit and wealth, and blesses himself, and thus blasphemeth the Lord.

5 [^]Or, snuffs at.

6 [^]Or, not be moved because he was never in evil.

6 c The evil shal not touch me, Is. 28.15, or els he speaks thus because he never felt evil.

8 d He shows that the wicked have many means to hide their cruelty, and therefore ought more to be feared.

10 e By the hypocrisy of them that have authority the poor are devoured.

12 f He calls to God for help, because wickedness is so far overgrown that God must now help or never.

13 g Therefore you must needs punish this their blasphemy.

14 h To judge between the right and the wrong.

15 i For you have utterly destroyed him.

16 k The hypocrites, or such as live not after God's law, shall be destroyed.

their heart: thou bendest thine ear *to them*,

18 ^lTo judge the fatherless and poor, that earthly man [^]cause to fear no more.

PSAL. 11.

1 This psalme containeth two parts. In the first David sheweth how hard assaults of tentations he sustained, and in how great anguish of mind he was, when Saül did persecute him. 4 Then next he rejoiceth that God sent him succour in his necessitie, declaring his justice aswel in governing the good, and the wicked men, as the whole world.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psal. of David.*

IN the Lord put I my trust: how say ye then to my soul, ^aFlee to your mountain as a bird? 2 For lo, the wicked bend their bow, *and* make ready their arrows upon the string, that they may secretly shoot at them, which are upright in heart.

3 For the ^bfoundations are cast down: what hath the ^crighteous done?

4 The Lord *is* in his holie palace: the Lord's throne *is* in the heaven: his eyes ^dwill consider: his eye lids will try the children of men.

5 The Lord will try the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth iniquity, doeth his soul hate.

6 Upon the wicked he shall rain snares, ^efire, and brimstone, and stormy tempest: *this is* the ^fportion of their cup.

7 For the righteous Lord loveth righteousness: his countenance doeth behold the just.

PSAL. 12.

1 The Prophet lamenting the miserable estate of the people, and the decay of all good order, desireth God speedely to send succor to his children 7 Then comforting him self and others with the assurance of God's help, he commendeth the constant veritie that God observeth in keeping his promises.

¶ *To him that excelleth upon the eighth tune. A Psalme of David.*

Help Lord, for there is not ^aa godlie man left: for the faithful are failed from among the children of men. 2 They speak deceitfully every one with his neighbor, ^bflattering with their lips, *and* speak with a double heart.

3 The Lord cut off all flattering lips, *and* the tongue that speaketh proud things:

4 Which have said, ^cWith our tongue will we prevail: our lips are our own: who is lord over us?

5 ^dNow for the oppression of the needy, *and* for the sighs of the poor, I will up saith the Lord, *and* will ^eset at libertie him, *whom*

18 I God helps when man's help ceases.

18 [^]Or, destroy no more man upon the earth.

Psalm 11

1 a This is the wicked counsel of his enemies to him & his companions, to drive him from the hope of God's promise.

3 b All hope of succor is taken away.

3 c Yet am I innocent and my cause good.

4 d Though all things in earth be out of order, yet God will execute judgement from heaven.

6 e As in the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah.

6 f Which they shall drink even to the glasses, Ezek. 23.34.

Psalm 12

1 a Which dare defend the truth, and show mercy to the oppressed.

2 b He means the flatters of the court, which hurt him more with their tongues than with their weapons.

4 c They think themselves able to persuade whatsoever they take in hand.

5 d The Lord is moved with the complaints of his, and delivers in the end from all dangers.

5 e Because the Lord's word and promise is true and unchangeable, he will perform it and preserve the poor from this wicked generation.

the wicked hath snared.

6 The words of the Lord *are* pure words, as the silver, tried in a furnace of earth, fined seven fold.

7 Thou wilt keep ^fthem, ô Lord: thou wilt preserve him from this generation for ever.

8 The wicked walk on every side: when they are exalted, ^g*it is* a shame for the sons of men.

PSAL. 13.

1 David as it were overcome with sundrie and new afflictions, fleeth to God as his only refuge 3 And so at length being encouraged through God's promises, he conceiveth most sure confidence against the extreme horrors of death.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David.*

How long wilt thou forget me, ô Lord, ^afor ever? how long wilt thou hide thy face from me? 2 How long shall I take ^bcounsel within my self, *having* weariness daily in mine heart? how long shall mine enemy be exalted above me?

3 Behold, *and* hear me, ô Lord my God: lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death:

4 Lest mine enemy say, I have ^cprevailed against him: *and* they that afflict me, rejoice when I slide.

5 But I trust in thy ^dmercy: mine heart shall rejoice in thy salvation: I will sing to the Lord, because he hath ^edelt lovingly with me.

PSAL. 14.

1 He describeth the perverse nature of men, which were so grown to licentiousness, that God was brought to utter contempt 7 For the which thing although he was greatly grieved, yet being persuaded that God would send some present remedie, he comforteth him self and others.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David.*

The ^{*}fool hath said in his heart, ^a*There is* no God: they have ^bcorrupted, and done an abominable work: *there is* none that doeth good.

2 The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that would understand, and seek God.

3 ^cAll are gone out of the way: they are all corrupt: there is none that doeth good, no not one.

4 Do not all the workers of iniquity know that they eat up my people, as they eat bread? they call not upon the Lord.

5 ^dThere they shall be taken with fear, because God *is* in the generation of the just.

6 You have made ^ea mock at the counsel of the poor, because the Lord *is* his trust.

7 f That is, yours, though he were but one man.

8 g For they suppress the godly and maintain the wicked

Psalm 13

1 a He declares that his afflictions lasted a long time, and that his faith fainted not.

2 b Changing my purpose as the sick man does his place.

4 c Which might turn to God's dishonor, if he did not defend his.

5 d The mercy of God is the cause of our salvation.

5 e Both by the benefits past and by others to come.

Psalm 14

1 *Psalm 53.

1 a He shows that the cause of all wickedness is to forget God.

1 b There is nothing but disorder and wickedness among them.

3 c David here makes comparison between the faithful and the improbate: but S Paul speaks the same of all men naturally, Rom. 3.10.

5 d Where they think themselves most sure.

6 e You mock them that put their trust in God.

7 Oh give salvation unto ^fIsraél out of Zión: when the Lord turneth the captivity of his people, *then* Jaakób shal rejoyce, and Israél shal be glad.

PSAL. 15.

1 This Psalme teacheth on what condition God did choose the Jewes for his peculiar people, and wherefore he placed his Temple among them, which was to the intent that they by living uprightly and godly, might witness that they were his special and holie people.

¶ A Psalme of David.

Lord, who shal dwell in thy Tabernacle? who shal rest in thine holie Mountain? 2 He that ^awalketh uprightly and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the trueth in his heart. 3 He that scandreth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor, nor receiveth a false report against his neighbor. 4 ^bIn whose eyes a vile person is contemned, but he *honoreth* them that fear the Lord: he that sweareth to his *own* hinderance and changeth not. 5 He that ^cgiveth not his money unto usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent: he that doeth these things, ^dshal never be moved.

PSAL. 16.

1 David prayeth to God for succor, not for his works, but for his faith's sake, 4 Protesting that he hateth all idolatrie, taking God only for his comfort and felicitie. 8 Who suffereth his to lack nothing.

¶ ^eMichtám of David.

Reserve me, ô God: for in thee do I ^atrust. 2 *O my soul*, thou hast said unto the Lord, Thou art my Lord: my ^bweldoing *extendeth* not to thee, 3 *But* to the Saints that are in the earth, and to the excellent: all my delite is in them. 4 The ^csorrows of them, that offer to another *god*, shal be multiplied: ^dtheir offerings of blood wil I not offer, neither make mention of their names with my lips. 5 The Lord *is* the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou shalt maintain my lot. 6 The ^elines are fallen unto me in pleasant places: yea, I have a fair heritage. 7 I wil praise the Lord, who hath given me counsel: my ^freines also teach me in the nights. 8 I have set the Lord always before me: for he is at my right hand: *therefore* I ^gshal not slide.

7 f He prays for the whole Church, whom he is assured God will deliver: for none but he only can do it

Psalm 15

2 a First God requires uprightnes of life, next doing well to others, and thirdly truth and simplicity in our words.
4 b He that flatters not the ungodly in their wickednes.
5 c To the hindrance of his neighbor.
5 d That is, shall not be cast forth of the Church as hypocrites.

Psalm 16

^hOr, a certain tune.

1 a He shows that we can not call upon God, except we trust in him.
2 b Though we can not enrich God, yet we must bestow God's gifts to the use of his children.
4 c As grief of conscience and miserable destruction.
4 d He would neither by outward profession nor in heart nor in mouth consent to their idolatries.
6 e Wherewith my portion is measured.
7 f God teaches me continually by secret inspiration.
8 g The faithful are sure to persevere to the end.

9 Wherefore ^hmine heart is glad and my tongue rejoyceth: my flesh also doeth rest in hope.

10 For thou ⁱwilt not leave my soul in the grave: neither wilt thou suffer thine holie one to see corruption.

11 Thou wilt shewe me the path of life: in thy ^kpresence *is* the fullness of joy: & at thy right hand there *are* pleasures for evermore.

PSAL. 17.

1 Here he complaineth to God of the cruel pride and arrogance of Saúl, and the rest of his enemies, who thus raged without any cause given on his part. 6 Therefore he desireth God to revenge his innocencie, and deliver him.

¶ *The prayer of David.*

Hear ^athe right, ô Lord, consider my cry: hearken unto my prayer of lips unfained. 2 Let my ^bsentence come forth from thy presence, *and* let thine eyes behold equity.

3 Thou hast ^cproved *and* visited mine heart in the night: thou hast tried me, *and* foundest nothing: *for* I was purposed that my ^dmouth should not offend.

4 Concerning the works of men, by the ^ewords of thy lips I kept me from the paths of the cruel man.

5 Stay my steps in thy paths, that my feet do not slide.

6 I have called upon thee: ^fsurely thou wilt hear me, ô God: incline thine ear to me, *and* hearken unto my words.

7 Shewe thy marvelous mercies, *thou* that art the Saviour of them that trust *in thee*, from such as ^gresist thy right hand.

8 Keep me as the apple of the eye: hide me under the shadow of thy wings,

9 From the wicked that oppress me, *from mine* enemies, which compass me round about for ^hmy soul.

10 They are inclosed in their own ⁱfat, *and* they have spoken proudly with their mouth.

11 They have compassed us now in our steps: they have set their eyes to bring down to the ground:

12 Like as a lyon that is greedy of pray, and as it were a lyon's whelp lurking in secret places.

13 Up Lord, ^kdisapoint him: cast him down: deliver my soul from the wicked ^lwith thy sword,

14 From men by thine ^mhand, ô Lord, from men ⁿof the world, who have their ^oportion in this life, whose belies thou fillest with thine hid treasure: their children have enough, and leave the rest of their substance for their children.

15 *But* I wil behold ^pthy face in righteousness, *and* when I ^qawake, I shalbe satisfied with thine image.

9 h That is, I rejoyce both in body and in soul.

10 i This is meant chiefly of Christ, by whose resurrection all his members have immortality.

11 k Where God favors, there is perfect felicity

Psalm 17

1 a My righteous cause.

2 b The vengeance that you shall show against my enemies.

3 c When your Spirit examined my conscience.

3 d I was innocent toward my enemy both in deed and thought.

4 e Though the wicked provoked me to do evil for evil, yet your word kept me back.

6 f He was assured that God would not refuse his request.

7 g For all rebel against you, which trouble your Church.

9 h For their cruelty can not be satisfied but with my death.

10 i They are puffed up with pride, as the stomach that is coated with fat.

13 k Stop his rage.

13 ^lOr, which is your sword.

14 l By your heavenly power.

14 ^mOr, whose tyranny has too long endured.

14 m And feel not the smart that God's children ofttimes do.

15 n This is the full felicity, comforting against all assaults, to have the face of God and favorable countenance opened unto us.

15 o And am delivered out of my great troubles.

PSAL. 18.

1 This Psalme is the first beginning of his gratulacion, and thanksgiving in the entering into his kingdom, wherein he extolleth and praiseth most highly the marvelous mercies and grace of God, who hath thus preserved and defended him, 32 Also he setteth forth the image of Christ's kingdom, that the faithful may be assured that Christ shal always conquer and overcome by the unspeakable power of his Father, though all the whole world should strive there against.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David the servant of the Lord, which spake unto the Lord the words of this song (in the day that the Lord delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saúl) and said,*

J *Wil love thee derely, ô Lord my strength. 2 ^aThe Lord *is* my rock, and my fortress, and he that delivereth me, my God *and* my strength: in him wil I trust, my shield, the horn also of my salvation, *and* my refuge.

3 I wil call upon the Lord, which is worthie to be ^bpraised: so shal I be safe from mine enemies.

4 The ^csorrows of death compassed me, and the floods of wickedness made me afraid.

5 The ^asorrows of the grave have compassed me about: the snares of death overtook me.

6 *But* in my trouble did I call upon the Lord, and cryed unto my God: he heard my voyce out of his Temple, and my crye did come before him, *even* into his ears.

7 ^dThen the earth trembled, and quaked: the foundations also of the mountains moved and shook, because he was angry.

8 Smoke went out at his nostrils, and a ^econsuming fire out of his mouth: coles were kindled thereat.

9 He bowed the heavens also and came down, and ^fdarkness was under his feet.

10 And he rode upon ^gCherúb and did fly, and he came flying upon the wings of the wind.

11 He made darkness his ^hsecret place, *and* his pavilion round about him, *even* darkness of waters, *and* clouds of the air.

12 At the brightnes of his presence his clouds passed, hailstones and coles of fire.

13 The Lord also thundred in the heaven, and the Highest gave ⁱhis voice, hailstones and coles of fire.

14 Then he sent out ^khis arrows and scattered them, and he increased lightenings and destroyed them.

15 And the channels of waters were seen, and the ^lfoundations of the world were discovered at thy rebuking, ô Lord, at the blasting of the breath of thy nostrils.

16 He hath sent down from above *and* taken me: he hath drawn me out of many ^mwaters.

1 *2 Sam. 22.1.

2 a He uses this diversity of names, to show that as the wicked have many means to hurt, so God has many ways to help.

3 b For none can obtain their requests of God, that join not his glory with their petition.

4 c He speaks of the dangers and malice of his enemies, from the which God had delivered him.

5 [^]Or, cords, or cables.

7 d A description of the wrath of God against his enemies after he had heard his prayers.

8 e He shows how horrible God's judgments shall be to the wicked.

9 f Darkness signifies the wrath of God, as the clear light signifies God's favor.

10 g This is described at large, Ps. 104.

11 h As a King angry with the people, will not show himself unto them.

13 i Thundered, lightened, and hailed.

14 k His lightenings.

15 l That is, the deep bottoms were seen, when the red Sea was divided.

16 m Out of sundry, and great dangers.

17 He hath delivered me from my ⁿstrong enemy, and from them which hate me: for they were ^otoo strong for me.

18 They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the Lord was my stay.

19 He brought me forth also into a large place; ^phe delivered me because he favored me.

20 The Lord rewarded me according to my ^qrighteousness: according to the pureness of mine hands he recompensed me:

21 Because I kept the ways of the Lord, and did not wickedly against my God.

22 For all his Laws *were* before me, and I did not cast away his ^rcommandments from me.

23 I was upright also with him, and have kept me from my ^swickedness.

24 Therefore the Lord rewarded me according to my righteousness, *and* according to the pureness of mine hands in his sight.

25 With the ^tgodlie thou wilt shewe thy self godlie: with the upright man thou wilt shewe thy self upright.

26 With the pure thou wilt shewe thy self pure, and with the forward thou wilt shewe thy self forward.

27 Thus thou wilt save the poor people, and wilt ^ucast down the proud looks.

28 Surely thou wilt light my candel: the Lord my God wil lighten my darkness.

29 For by thee I have ^vbroken through an host, and by my God I have leaped over a wall.

30 The way of God is uncorrupt: the ^wword of the Lord is tried *in the fire*: he is a shield to all that trust in him.

31 For who is God besides the Lord? and who is mighty save our God?

32 God girdeth me with strength, and maketh my ^xway upright.

33 He maketh my feet like hinds's *feet*, and setteth me upon mine ^yhigh places.

34 He teacheth mine hands to fight: so that a bow of ^zbrass is broken with mine arms.

35 Thou hast also given me the ^ashield of thy salvation, and thy right hand hath stayed me, and thy ^bloving kindness hath caused me to increase.

36 Thou hast enlarged my steps under me, and mine heels have not slid.

37 ^cI have pursued mine enemies, and taken them, and have not turned again til I had consumed them.

38 I have wounded them, that they were not able to rise: they are fallen under my feet.

17 n To wit, Saul.

17 o Therefore God sent me succour.

19 p The cause of God's deliverance is his only favor and love to us.

20 q David was sure of his righteous cause and good behavior toward Saul and his enemies, and therefore was assured of God's favor and deliverance.

22 r For all his dangers he exercised himself in the Law of God.

23 s I neither gave place to their wicked tentations, nor to my own affections.

25 t Here he speaks of God according to our capacity, who shows mercy to his and punishes the wicked, as is said also, Lev. 26.21.

27 u When their sin is come to the full measure.

29 x He attributes it to God that he both got the victory in the field, and also destroyed the cities of his enemies.

30 y Be the dangers never so many or great, yet God's promise must take effect.

32 z He gives good success to all my enterprises.

33 a As towers and forts, which he took out of the hands of God's enemies.

34 [^]Or, steel.

35 b To defend me from dangers.

35 c He attributes the beginning, continuance and increase in well doing only to God's favor.

37 d David declares that he did nothing, besides his vocation, but was stirred up by God's Spirit to execute his judgments.

39 For thou hast girded me with strength to battle: them, that rose against me, thou hast subdued under me.
 40 And thou hast ^egiven me the necks of mine enemies, that I might destroy them that hate me.
 41 They ^fcryed, but there was none to save *them*, even unto the Lord, but he answered them not.
 42 Then I did beat them small as the dust before the wind: I did tread them flat as the clay in the streets.
 43 Thou hast delivered me from the contentions of the people: thou hast made me the head of the ^gheathen: a people, *whom* I have not ^hknown, shal serve me.
 44 As soon as they hear, they shal obey me: the strangers shal ⁱbe in subjection to me.
 45 Strangers shal ^kshrink away, & fear in their privie chambers.
 46 Let the Lord live, and blessed be my strength, and the God of my salvation be exalted.
 47 *It is* God that giveth me *power* to avenge me, and subdueth the people under me.
 48 O my deliverer from mine enemies, even thou hast set me up from them, that rose against me: thou hast delivered me from the ^lcruel man.
 49 Therefore ^mI wil praise thee, ô Lord, among the nations, and wil sing unto thy Name.
 50 Great deliverances giveth he unto his King, and sheweth mercie to his anointed, *even* to David, and to his ⁿseed for ever.

PSAL. 19.

1 To the intent he might move the faithful to a deeper consideration of God's glory, he setteth before their eyes the most exquisite workmanship of the heavens with their proportion, & ornaments: 8 And afterward calleth them to the Law, wherein God hath revealed him self more familiarly to his chosen people. The which peculiar grace by commending the Law he setteth forth more at large.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David.*

THe ^aheavens declare the glorie of God, and the firmament sheweth the work of his hands. 2 ^bDay unto day uttereth the same, and night unto night teacheth knowledge.
 3 *There is* no speech nor ^clanguage, *where* their voice is not heard.
 4 Their ^dline is gone forth through all the earth, and their words into the ends of the world: in them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun.

40 ^e You have given them into my hands to be slain.

41 ^f They that reject the cry of the afflicted, God will also reject them, when they cry for help: for either pain or fear cause those hypocrites to cry.

43 ^g Which dwell round about me.

43 ^h The kingdom of Christ is in David's kingdom prefigured: who by the preaching of his word brings all to his subjection.

44 ⁱ Or, lie: signifying a subjection constrained and not voluntary.

45 ^k Fear shall cause them to be afraid and come forth of their secret holes and holdes to seek pardon.

48 ^l That is, Saul, who of malice persecuted him.

49 ^m This prophecy appertains to the kingdom of Christ, and vocation of the Gentiles, as Rom. 15.9.

50 ⁿ This did not properly appertain to Solomon, but to Jesus Christ.

Psalm 19

1 ^a He reproaches unto man his ingratitude, seeing the heavens, which are dumb creatures, set forth God's glory

2 ^b The continual success of the day and the night is sufficient to declare God's power and goodness.

3 ^c The heavens are a schoolmaster to all nations, be they never so barbarous.

4 ^d The heavens are as a line of great capital letters to show unto us God's glory.

5 Which commeth forth as a bridegroom out of his ^echamber, and rejoyceth like a mighty man to run *his* race.

6 His going out *is* from the end of the heaven, & his compass *is* unto the ends of the same, and none is hid from the heat thereof.

7 The ^fLaw of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.

8 The statutes of the Lord *are* right and rejoyce the heart: the commandment of the Lord *is* pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord *is* clean, and indureth for ever: the judgements of the Lord *are* ^gtruth: they are righteous ^hall together,

10 And more to be ⁱdesired then gold, yea, then much fine gold: sweeter also then honie and the honie combe.

11 Moreover by them *is* thy servant made circumspect, *and* in keeping of them there *is* great ^kreward.

12 Who can understand *his* ^lfautes? cleanse me from secret *fautes*.

13 Keep thy servant also from ^mpresumptuous sins: let them not reign over me: ⁿso shal I be upright, and made clean from much wickedness.

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the ^omeditation of mine heart be acceptable in thy sight, ô Lord, my strength, & my redeemer.

PSAL. 20.

1 A prayer of the people unto God, that it would please him to hear their King and receive his sacrifice, which he offered before he went to battel against the Ammonites.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David.*

THe ^aLord hear thee in the day of trouble: the ^bName of the God of Jaakób defend thee: 2 Send thee help from the Sanctuarie, and strengthen thee out of Zión.

3 Let him remember all thine offerings, and ^cturn thy burnt offerings into ashes. Selâh:

4 *And* grant thee according to thine heart, & fulfill all thy purpose:

5 *That* we may rejoyce in thy ^dsalvation, and set up the banner in the Name of our God, *when* the Lord shal perform all thy petitions.

6 Now ^eknow I that the Lord wil help his anointed, *and* wil hear him from his ^fSanctuary, by the mighty help of his right hand.

7 Some *trust* in chariots, & some in horses: but we wil remember the Name of the Lord our God.

8 ^gThey are brought down and fallen, but we are risen, and

5 ^e Or, veil. The manner was that the bride and bridegroom should stand under a veil together, and after come forth with great solemnity and rejoicing of the assembly.

7 ^f Though the creatures can not serve, yet this ought to be sufficient to lead us unto him.

9 ^g So that all man's inventions and intentions are lies.

9 ^h Every one without exception.

10 ⁱ Except God's word be esteemed above all worldly things, it is contemned.

11 ^k For God accepts our endeavor, though it be far unperfect.

12 ^l Then there is no reward of duty, but of Grace: for where sin is, there death is the reward.

13 ^m Which are done purposely and of malice.

13 ⁿ If you suppress my wicked affections by your holy Spirit.

14 ^o That I may obey you in thought, word and deed.

Psalm 20

1 ^a Hereby Kings are also admonished to call to God in their affairs.

1 ^b The virtue, power and grace of God.

3 ^c In token that they are acceptable unto him.

5 ^d Granted to the King, in whose wealth our felicity stands.

6 ^e The Church feels that God has heard their petition.

6 ^f As by the visible Sanctuary God's familiarity appeared toward his people, so by the heavenly is meant his power and majesty.

8 ^g The worldlings that put not their only trust in God.

stand upright.

9 Save Lord: ^hlet the King hear us in the day that we call.

PSAL. 21.

1 David in the person of the people praiseth God for the victory, attributing it to God, and not to the strength of man. Wherein the holie Gost directeth the faithful to Christ, who is the perfection of this kingdom.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David.*

THe King shal ^arejoyce in thy strength, ^o Lord: yea, how greatly shal he rejoyce in thy salvation! 2 Thou hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not denied *him* the request of his lips. Seláh.

3 For thou ^bdidest prevent him with liberal blessings, *and* didest set a crown of pure gold upon his head.

4 ^cHe asked life of thee, *and* thou gavest him a long life for ever and ever.

5 His glory *is* great in thy salvation: dignity and honor hast thou layed upon him.

6 For thou hast set him as ^dblessings for ever: thou hast made him glad with the joy of thy countenance.

7 Because the King trusteth in the Lord, and in the mercie of the most High, he shal not slide.

8 ^eThine hand shal find out all thine enemies, *and* thy right hand shal find out them that hate thee.

9 Thou shalt make them like a fyrie oven in time of thine anger: the Lord shal destroy them in his ^fwrath, and the fire shal devour them.

10 Their fruit shalt thou destroy from the earth, and their seed from the children of men.

11 For they ^gintended evil against thee, *and* imagined mischief, *but* they shal not prevail.

12 Therefore shalt thou put them ^hapart, *and* the strings of thy bow shalt thou make ready against their faces.

13 ⁱBe thou exalted, ^o Lord, in thy strength: so will we sing and praise thy power.

PSAL. 22.

1 David complained because he was brought into such extremities, that he was past all hope, but after he had rehearsed the sorrows and griefs, wherewith he was vexed, 10 He recovereth him self from the bottomless pit of tentations and groweth in hope. And here under his own person he setteth forth the figure of Christ, whom he did foresee by the Spirit of prophecie, that he should marvelously, and strangely be dejected, and abased, before his Father should raise and exalt him again.

9 ^h Let the King be able to deliver us by your strength, when we seek unto him for succor.

Psalm 21

1 ^a When he shall overcome his enemies & so be assured of his vocation.

3 ^b You declare your liberal favor toward him before he prayed.

4 ^c David did not only obtain life, but also assurance that his posterity should reign forever.

6 ^d You have made him your blessings to others, and a perpetual example of your favor forever.

8 ^e Here he describes the power of Christ's kingdom against the enemies thereof.

9 ^f This teaches us patiently to endure the cross till God destroy the adversary.

11 ^g They laid as it were their nets to make God's power to give place to their wicked enterprises.

12 ^h As a mark to shoot at.

13 ⁱ Maintain your Church against your adversaries, that we may have ample occasion to praise your Name.

¶ *To him that excelleth upon ^aAijéleth Hassháhar. A Psalme of David.*

M^aY ^aGod, my God, why hast thou forsaken me, *and* art so far from mine health, *and* from the words of my ^broaring? 2 O my God, I cry by day, but thou hearest not, and by night, but ^chave no audience.

3 But thou art holie, and doest inhabit the ^cpraises of Israél.

4 Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and thou didest deliver them.

5 They called upon thee, and were delivered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded.

6 But I am a ^dworm, and not a man: a shame of men, and the contempt of the people.

7 All they that see me, have me in derision: they make a mowe *and* nod the head, *saying*,

8 ^e*He trusted in the Lord, let him deliver him: let him save him, seeing he loveth him.

9 But thou didest draw me out of the ^ewomb: thou gavest me hope, *even* at my mother's breasts.

10 I was cast upon thee: *even* from ^fthe womb: thou art my God from my mother's belly.

11 Be not far from me, because trouble is near: for *there is* none to help *me*.

12 Many young bulls have compassed me: mighty ^gbulls of Bashán have closed me about.

13 They gap upon me with their mouths, as a ramping and roaring lion.

14 I am like ^hwater poured out, and all my bones are out of joint: mine heart is like wax: it is molten in the middes of my bowels.

15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, & my tongue cleaveth to my jaws, and thou ⁱhast brought me into the dust of death.

16 For dogs have compassed me, *and* the assembly of the wicked have enclosed me: they ^jpierced mine hands & my feet.

17 I may tel all my bones: *yet* they behold, *and* look upon me.

18 They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.

19 But be not thou far off, ^o Lord, my strength: hasten to help me.

20 Deliver my soul from the sword: my ^ldesolate *soul* from the power of the dog.

21 ^mSave me from the lion's mouth, and answer me *in saving me* from the horns of the unicorns.

^aOr, the hind of the morning & this was the name of some common song.

1 ^a Here appears that horrible conflict, which he sustained between faith and desperation.

1 ^b Being tormented with extreme anguish.

2 ^aOr, I cease not.

3 ^c He means the place of praising, even the Tabernacle: or else it is so called, because he gave the people continually occasion to praise him.

6 ^d And seeming most miserable of all creatures, which was meant of Christ. And herein appears the unspeakable love of God toward man, that he would thus abase his Son for our sakes.

8 ^eEbr., relied upon God.

8 ^{*}Mat. 27.43.

9 ^e Even from my birth you have given me occasion to trust you.

10 ^f For except God's providence preserve the infants, they should perish a thousand times in the mother's womb.

12 ^g He means, that his enemies were so fat, proud and cruel, that they were rather beasts than men.

14 ^h Before, he spoke of the cruelty of his enemies, and now he declares the inward griefs of the mind, so that Christ was tormented, both in soul and body.

15 ⁱ You have suffered me to be without all hope of life.

16 ^k Thus David complains as though he were nailed by his enemies both hands and feet: but this was accomplished in Christ.

20 ^l My life that is solitary, left alone & forsaken of all, Ps. 35.17, & 25.16.

21 ^m Christ is delivered with a more mighty deliverance by over coming death, then if he had not tasted death at all.

22 *I wil declare thy Name unto my brethren: in the middes of the Congregation wil I praise thee, *saying*,

23 ⁿPraise the Lord, ye that fear him: magnify ye him, all the seed of Jaakób, and fear ye him, all the seed of Israël.

24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the ^opoor: neither hath he hid his face from him, but when he called unto him, he heard.

25 My praise *shalbe* of thee in the great Congregation: my ^pvows wil I perform before them that fear him.

26 ^qThe poor shal eat and be satisfied: they that seek after the Lord, shal praise him: your heart shal live for ever.

27 All the ends of the world shal remember *them selves*, and turn to the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations shal worship before thee.

28 For the kingdom *is* the Lord's, & he ruleth among the nations.

29 All they that be fat ^rin the earth, shal eat and worship: all they that go down into the dust, shal bow before him, ^seven he that can not quicken his own soul.

30 ^tTheir seed shal serve him: it shalbe counted unto the Lord for a generation.

31 They shal come, and shal declare his righteousness unto a people that shal be born, because he hath ^udone it.

PSAL. 23.

1 Because the Prophet had proved the great mercies of God at diverse times, and in sundrie manners, he gathereth a certain assurance, fully persuading him self that God wil continue the very same goodness towards him for ever.

¶ A Psalme of David.

The Lord *is* my ^ashepherd, ¹shal not want. 2 He maketh me to rest in green pasture, *and* leadeth me by the still waters.

3 He ^brestoreth my soul, *and* leadeth me in the ^cpaths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

4 Yea, though I should walk through the valley of the ^dshadow of death, I wil fear no evil: for thou art with me: thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

5 Thou doest prepare a ^etable before me in the sight of mine adversaries: thou doest ^fanoint mine head with oil, *and* my cup runneth over.

6 Douteles kindness, and mercie shal follow me all the days of my life, & I shal remain a long season in the ^ghouse of the Lord.

22 *Ebr. 2.12.

23 ⁿ He promises to exhort the Church that they by his example might praise the Lord.

24 ^o The poor afflicted are comforted by this example of David, or Christ.

25 ^p Which were sacrifices of thanksgiving, which they offered by God's commandment when they were delivered out of any great danger.

26 ^q He does allude still to the sacrifice.

29 ^r Though the poor be first named, as verse 26, yet the wealthy are not separated from the grace of Christ's kingdom.

29 ^s In whom there is no hope that he shall recover life: so neither poor nor rich, quick not dead shall be rejected from his kingdom.

30 ^t Meaning the posterity, which the Lord keeps as a seed to the Church to continue his praise among men.

31 ^u That is, God has fulfilled his promise.(of free grace Is. 55:1-5)

Psalme 23

1 *Is. 40.11, Jer. 23.3-5, Ezek. 34.23, John 10.11, 1 Pet. 2.25.

1 ^a He has care over me and ministers unto me all things.

3 ^b He comforts or refreshes me.

3 ^c Plain, or straight ways.

4 ^d Though he were in danger of death, as the sheep that wanders in the dark valley without his shepherd.

5 ^e Albeit his enemies sought to destroy him, yet God delivers him, and deals most liberally with him in despite of them.

5 ^f As was the manner of great feasts.

6 ^g He sets not his felicity in the pleasures of this world, but in the fear and service of God.

6 *Ps. 27.4.

PSAL. 24.

1 Albeit the Lord God hath made, and governeth all the world, yet towards his chosen people his gracious goodness doeth most abundantly appear, in that among them he wil have his dwelling place. Which though it was appointed among the children of Abraham, yet only they do enter aright into this Sanctuarie, which are the true worshipers of God, purged from the sinful filth of this world. 7 Finally he magnifieth God's grace for the buylding of the Temple, to the end he might stir up all the faithful to the true service of God.

¶ A Psalme of David.

The earth ^ais the Lord's, and all that therein is: the world and they that dwell therein. 2 For he hath founded it upon the ^aseas: and established it upon the floods.

3 Who shal ascend into the mountain of the Lord? and who shal stand in his holie place?

4 *Even he that hath* innocent hands, and a pure heart: which hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

5 He shal receive a blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6 This is the ^bgeneration of them that seek him, of them that seek thy face, *this is* Jaakób. Seláh.

7 ^cLift up your heads ye gates, and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory shal come in.

8 Who is this King of glory? the Lord, strong and mighty, *even* the Lord mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, ye gates, and lift up *your selves*, ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory shal come in.

10 Who is this King of glory? the Lord of hostes, he is the King of glory. Seláh.

PSAL. 25.

1 The Prophet touched with the consideration of his sins, and also grieved with the cruel malice of his enemies, 6 Prayeth to God most fervently to have his sins forgiven, 7 Especially such as he had committed in his youth. He beginneth every verse according to the Ebrewe letters two or three except.

¶ A Psalme of David.

Unto thee, ^aô Lord, lift I up my soul. 2 My God, I ^btrust in thee: let me not be confounded: let not mine enemies rejoyce over me.

3 ^cSo all that hope in thee, shal not be ashamed: *but* let them be confounded, that transgress without cause.

4 ^dShew me thy ways, ô Lord, *and* teach me thy paths.

5 Lead me forth in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation: in thee do I trust ^eall the daie.

6 Remember, ô Lord, thy tender mercies, & thy loving kindness: for they have been for ever.

1 *Deut. 10.14, Job 28.25, 1 Cor. 10.26.

2 ^a He notes two things: the one that the earth to man's judgement seems above the waters: and next, that God miraculously preserves the earth, that it is not drowned with the waters, which naturally are above it.

6 ^b Though circumcision separate the carnal seed of Jacob from the Gentiles, yet he that seeks God, is the true Jacob and the very Israelite.

7 ^c David desires the building up of the Temple, wherein the glory of God should appear, and under the figure of this Temple he also prays for the spiritual Temple, which is eternal, because of the promise which was made of the Temple, as is written, Ps. 132.14.

Psalme 25

1 ^a I put not my trust in any worldly thing.

2 ^b That you will take away my enemies, which are your rods.

3 *Isa. 28.26, Rom. 10.11.

4 ^c Retain me in the faith of your promise, that I swerve not on any side.

5 ^d Constantly, and against all tentations.

7 Remember not the ^esins of my youth, nor my rebellions, *but* according to thy kindness remember thou me, *even* for thy goodness sake, ô Lord.

8 Gracious and righteous *is* the Lord: therefore wil he ^fteach sinners in the way.

9 Them that be meek, wil he ^guide in judgement, and teach the humble his way.

10 All the paths of the Lord *are* mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

11 For thy ^hName's sake, ô Lord, be merciful unto mine iniquitie, for it is great.

12 What ⁱman is he that feareth the Lord? him wil he teach the way *that* he shal ^kchuse.

13 His soul shal dwell at ^lease, and his seed shal inherit the land.

14 The ^msecret of the Lord *is revealed* to them, that fear him: and his covenant to give them understanding.

15 Mine eyes *are* ever toward the Lord: for he wil bring my feet out of the net.

16 Turn thy face unto me, and have mercy upon me: for I am desolate and poor.

17 The sorrows of mine heart ⁿare enlarged: draw me out of my troubles.

18 Look upon mine affliction and my travel, & forgive all my sins.

19 Behold mine ^oenemies, for they are many, and they hate me with cruel hatred.

20 Keep my soul, and deliver me: let me not be confounded, for I trust in thee.

21 Let ^pmine uprightness and equity preserve me: for mine hope is in thee.

22 Deliver Israël, ô God, out of all his troubles.

PSAL. 26.

1 David oppressed with many injuries, finding no help in the world, calleth for aide from God: & assured of his integrity toward Saül, desireth God to be his judge, and to defend his innocencie 6 Finally he maketh mention of his sacrifice, which he wil offer for his deliverance, and desireth to be in the company of the faithful in the Congregation of God, whence he was banished by Saül, promising integrity of life, and open praises and thanksgiving.

¶ A Psalme of David.

Judge me, ^aô Lord, for I have walked in mine innocencie: my trust hath been also in the Lord: *therefore* shal I not slide. 2 Prove me, ô Lord, & try me: examine my ^breines, & mine heart. 3 For thy ^cloving kindness *is* before mine eyes: therefore have I

7 ^e He confesses that his manifold sins were the cause that his enemies did thus persecute him, desiring that the cause of the evil may be taken away, to the intent, that the effect may cease.

8 ^f That is, call them to repentance.

9 ^g He will govern and comfort them that are truly humbled for their sins.

10 ^h And for none other respect.

11 ⁱ Meaning, the number is very small.

12 ^k He will direct such with his Spirit to follow the right way.

13 ^l He shall prosper both in spiritual and corporal things.

14 ^m His counsel contained in his word, whereby he declares that he is the protector of the faithful.

15 ⁿ My grief is increased because of my enemies' cruelty.

16 ^o The greater that his afflictions were, and the more that his enemies increased, the more near felt he God's help.

17 ^p For as much as I have behaved myself uprightly toward my enemies, let them know that you are the defender of my just cause.

Psalm 26

1 a He flees to God to be the Judge of his just cause, seeing there is no equity among men.

2 b My very affections and inward motions of the heart.

3 c He shows what stayed him, that he did not recompense evil for evil.

walked in thy truth.

4 I have not ^dhanted with vain persons, neither kept company with the dissemblers.

5 I have hated the assembly of the evil, and have not companied with the wicked.

6 I wil ^ewash mine hands in innocency, ô Lord, and compass thine altar,

7 That I may declare with the voice of thanksgiving, and set forth all thy wondrous works.

8 O Lord, I have loved the habitation of thine house, and the place where thine honor dwelleth.

9 ^fGather not my soul with the sinners, nor my life with the bloody men:

10 In whose hands *is* ^gwickedness, and their right hand is ful of bribes.

11 But I wil walk in mine innocencie: redeem me *therefore*, and be merciful unto me.

12 My foot standeth in ^huprightness: I wil praise thee, ô Lord, in the Congregations.

PSAL. 27.

1 David maketh this psalme being delivered from great perils, as appeareth by the praises and thanksgiving annexed: 6 Wherein we may se the constant faith of David against the assaults of all his enemies, 7 And also the end wherefore he desireth to live and to be delivered, only to worship God in his Congregation.

¶ A Psalme of David.

The Lord *is* my ^alight and my salvation, whom shal I fear? the Lord *is* the strength of my life, of whom shal I be afraid? 2 When the wicked, *even* mine enemies and my foes came upon me to eat up my flesh they stumbled and fell.

3 Though an host pitched against me, mine heart should not be afraid: though war be raised against me, I wil trust in ^bthis.

4 ^cOne thing have I desired of the Lord, that I wil require, *even* that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to visit his Temple.

5 For in the time of trouble he shal hide me in his Tabernacle: in the secret *place* of his pavilion shal he hide me, *and* set me up upon a rock.

6 ^dAnd now shal he lift up mine head above mine enemies round about me: therefore wil I offer in his Tabernacle sacrifices of joy: I wil sing and praise the Lord.

7 Harken unto my voice, ô Lord, *when* I cry: have mercy also upon me and hear me.

8 *When thou saidest*, ^eSeek ye my face, mine heart answered

4 ^d He declares that they can not walk in simplicity before God, that delight in the company of the ungodly.

6 ^e I will serve you with a pure affection, and with the godly that sacrifice unto you

9 ^f Destroy me not in the overthrow of the wicked.

10 ^g Whose cruel hands do execute the malicious devises of their hearts.

12 ^h I am preserved from my enemies by the power of God, and therefore will praise him openly.

Psalm 27

1 a Because he was assured of good success in all his dangers, and that his salvation was surely laid up in God, he feared not the tyranny of his enemies.

3 b That God will deliver me, and give my faith the victory.

4 c The loss of country, wife and all worldly commodities grieve me not in respect of this one thing, that I may not praise your Name in the middes of the Congregation.

6 d David assured himself by the Spirit of prophecy that he should overcome his enemies and serve God in his Tabernacle.

8 e He grounds upon God's promise and shows that he is most willing to obey his commandment.

unto thee, O Lord, I wil seek thy face.

9 Hide not *therefore* thy face from me, nor cast thy servant away in displeasure: thou hast been my succour: leave me not, neither forsake me, ô God of my salvation.

10 ^fThough my father and my mother should forsake me, yet the Lord wil gather me up.

11 Teach me thy way, ô Lord, and lead me in a right path, because of mine enemies.

12 Give me not unto the ^glust of mine adversaries: for there are false witnesses risen up against me, and such as speak cruelly.

13 *I should have fainted*, except I had believed to see the goodness of the ^hLord in the land of the living.

14 ⁱHope in the Lord: be strong, and he shal comfort thine heart, and trust in the Lord.

PSAL. 28.

1 Being in great fear and heaviness of heart to see God dishonored by the wicked, he desireth to be rid of them, 4 And cryeth for vengeance against them, and at length assureth him self, that God hath heard his praier. 9 Unto whose tuition he commendeth all the faithful.

¶ A Psalme of David.

UNto thee, ô Lord, do I crye: ô my strength, be not deaf toward me, lest, if thou answer me not, I be ^alike them that go down into the pit.

2 Hear the voice of my petitions, when I crye unto thee, when I hold up mine hands toward thine ^bholy Oracle.

3 ^cDraw me not away with the wicked, and with the workers of iniquity: which speak friendly to their neighbors, when malice is in their hearts.

4 ^dReward them according to their deeds, and according to the wickedness of their inventions: recompense them after the work of their hands: render them their reward.

5 For they regard not the works of the Lord, nor the operation of his hands: *therefore* ^ebreak them down, and build them not up.

6 ^fPraised be the Lord, for he hath heard the voice of my petitions.

7 The Lord *is* my strength and my shield: mine heart trusted in him, and I was helped: therefore mine heart shal rejoyce, and with my song wil I praise him.

8 The Lord *is* ^gtheir strength, and he is the strength of the deliverances of his anointed.

9 Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance: feed them also, and exalt them for ever.

PSAL. 29.

10 ^f He magnifies God's love towards his, which far passes the most tender love of parents toward their children.

12 ^g But either pacify their wrath, or bridle their rage.

13 ^h In this present life before I die, as Is. 38.11.

14 ⁱ He exhorts himself to depend on the Lord, seeing he never failed in his promises.

Psalme 28

1 a He counts himself as a dead man, till God show his favor toward him, and grant him his petition.

2 b He used this outward means to help the weakness of his faith: for in that place was the Arke, and there God promised to show the tokens of his favor.

3 c Destroy not the good with the bad.

4 d He thus prays in respect of God's glory, and not for his own cause, being assured, that God would punish the persecutors of his Church.

5 e Let them be utterly destroyed, as Mal. 1.4.

6 f Because he felt the assurance of God's help in his heart, his mouth was opened to sing his praises.

8 g Meaning, his soldiers, who were as means, by whom God declared his power.

1 The Prophet exhorteth the princes and rulers of the world, (which for the most part think there is no God) 3 At the least to fear him for the thunders and tempests, for fear whereof all creatures tremble. 11 And though thereby God threateneth sinners yet is he alwaies merciful to his, and moveth them thereby to praise his Name.

¶ A Psalme of David.

Give unto the Lord, ye ^asonnes of the mightie: give unto the Lord glorie and strength. 2 Give unto the Lord glorie *due* unto his Name: worship the Lord in the glorious Sanctuary.

3 The ^bvoice of the Lord *is* upon the waters: the God of glory maketh it to thunder: the Lord *is* upon the great waters.

4 The voice of the Lord *is* mighty: the voice of the Lord *is* glorious.

5 The ^cvoice of the Lord breaketh the cedars: yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.

6 He maketh them also to leap like a calf: Lebanon *also* and ^dShirion like a young unicorn.

7 The voice of the Lord devideth the ^eflames of fire.

8 The voice of the Lord maketh the wilderness to tremble: the Lord maketh the wilderness of ^fKadesh to tremble.

9 The voice of the Lord maketh the hindes to ^gcalve, and ^hdiscovereth the forests: *therefore* in his ⁱTemple doeth every man speak of *his* glory.

10 The Lord sitteth upon the ^kflood, and the Lord doeth remain King for ever.

11 The Lord shal give strength unto his people: the Lord shal bless his people with peace.

PSAL. 30.

1 When David was delivered from great danger, he rendered thanks to God, exhorting others to do the like, & to learn by his example, that God is rather merciful then severe and rigorous towards his children, 8 And also that the fall from prosperity to adversity is sudden. 9 This done, he returneth to praier, promising to praise God for ever.

¶ *A Psalme or song of the dedication of the ^ahouse of David.

Wil magnify thee, ô Lord: ^bfor thou hast exalted me, and hast not made my foes to rejoyce over me. 2 O Lord my God, I cryed unto thee, and thou hast ^crestored me.

3 O Lord, thou hast brought up my ^dsoul out of the grave: thou hast revived me from them that go down into the pit.

1 a He exhorts the proud tyrants to humble themselves under God's hand and not to be inferior to brute beasts and dumb creatures.

3 b The thunder claps, that are heard out of the clouds, ought to make the wicked to tremble for fear of God's anger

5 c That is, the thunderbolt breaks the most strong trees, and shall men think their power to be able to resist God?

6 d Called also Hermon.

7 e It causes the lightnings to shoot and glide.

8 f In places most desolate, where as seems there is no presence of God.

9 g For fear makes them to cast their calves.

9 h Makes the trees bare, or pierces the most secret places.

9 i Though the wicked are nothing moved with these sights, yet the faithful praise God.

10 k To moderate the rage of the tempest and waters, that they destroy not all.

Psalme 30

*2 Sam. 7.2.

a After that Absalom had polluted it with most filthy fornication.

1 b He condemns them of great ingratitude, which do not praise God for his benefits.

2 c Restored from the rebellion of Absalom.

3 d Meaning that he escaped death most narrowly.

4 Sing praises unto the Lord, ye ^ehis Saints, and give thanks ^fbefore the remembrance of his Holiness.
 5 **For he endureth but a while in his anger: but in his favor is life: weeping may abide at evening, but joy cometh in the morning.*
 6 And in my ^gprosperity I said, I shal never be moved.
 7 For thou Lord of thy goodness hadest made my ^hmountain to stand strong: *but thou didest hide thy face, and I ^wwas troubled.*
 8 *Then cryed I unto thee, ô Lord, and prayed to my Lord.*
 9 What profit *is there* in my blood, when I go down to the pit? shal the dust ^kgive thanks unto thee? or shal it declare thy truth?
 10 Hear, ô Lord, and have mercy upon me: Lord, be thou mine helper.
 11 Thou hast turned my mourning into joy: thou hast loosed my sack and girded me with gladness.
 12 Therefore shal my ^ltongue praise thee and not cease: ô Lord my God, I wil give thanks unto thee for ever.

PSAL. 31.

1 David delivered from some great danger, first rehearseth what meditation he had by the power of faith, when death was before his eyes, his enemy being ready to take him. 15 Then he affirmeth that the favor of God is alwaies readie to those that fear him 20 Finally he exhorteth all the faithful to trust in God and to love him, because he preserveth and strengtheneth them, as they may se by his example.

¶ *To him that excelleth, A Psalme of David.*

IN ^athee, ô Lord, have I put my trust: let me never be confounded: deliver me in thy ^arighteousness. 2 Bow down thine ear to me: make haste to deliver me: be unto me a strong rock, *and an house of defense to save me.*
 3 For thou art my rock and my fortress: therefore for thy Name's sake direct me and guide me.
 4 Draw me out of the ^bnet, that they have laid prively for me: for thou art my strength.
 5 Into thine ^chand I commend my spirit: *for thou hast redeemed me, ô Lord God of truth.*
 6 I have hated them that give them selves to deceitful vanities: for I ^dtrust in the Lord.
 7 I wilbe glad and rejoyce in thy mercie: for thou hast seen my trouble: thou hast knowen my soul in adversities,
 8 And thou hast not shut me up in the hand of the enemy, *but hast set my feet at ^elarge.*
 9 Have mercie upon me, ô Lord: for I am in trouble: mine ^feye,

4 e The word signifies them, that have received mercy and show mercy liberally unto others.

4 f Before his Tabernacle.

5 *Ps. 145.8, Is. 54.7, 2 Cor. 4.17.

6 g I put too much confidence in my quiet state, as Jer. 31.28, 2 Chron. 32.24.

7 h I thought you had established me in Zion most surely.

7 i After that you had withdrawn your help, I felt my misery.

9 k David means that the dead are not profitable to the Congregation of the Lord here in earth: therefore he would live to praise his Name, which is the end of man's creation.

12 l Because you have preserved me, that my tongue should praise you, I will not be unmindful of my duty.

Psalme 31

1 *1 Sam. 23.14.

1 a For then God declares himself just, when he preserves his according as he has promised.

4 b Preserve me from the crafty counsels and subtle practices of my enemies.

5 c He desired God not only to take care for him in this life, but that his soul may be saved after this life, Lk. 23.46.

6 d This affection ought to be in all God's children, to hate whatsoever thing is not grounded upon a sure trust in God, as deceitful and vain.

8 e Largeness signifies comfort, as straightness sorrow and peril.

9 f Meaning, that his sorrow and torment had continued a great while.

my soul and my bellie are consumed with grief.

10 For my life is wasted with heaviness, and my yeres with mourning: my strength faileth for my pain, and my bones are consumed.

11 I was a ^greproach among all mine enemies, but specially among my neighbors: and a fear to mine acquaintance, ^hwho seeing me in the street, fled from me.

12 I am forgotten, as a dead man out of mind: I am like a broken vessel.

13 For I have heard the railing of ⁱgreat men: fear was on every side, while they conspired together against me, *and consulted to take my life.*

14 But I trusted in thee, ô Lord: I said, ^kThou art my God.

15 My ^ltimes are in thine hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.

16 Make thy face to shine upon thy servant, *and save me through thy mercie.*

17 Let me not be confounded, ô Lord: for I have called upon thee: let the wicked be put to confusion, *and ^mto silence in the grave.*

18 Let the lying lips be made dumme, which cruelly, proudly and spitefully speak against the righteous.

19 How great is thy goodness, which thou ⁿhaste layed up for them, that fear thee! *and done to them, that trust in thee, even before the sons of men!*

20 Thou doest hide them ^oprively in thy presence from the pride of men: thou kepest them secretly in thy Tabernacle from the strife of tongues.

21 Blessed be the Lord: for he hath shewed his marvelous kindness toward me in a ^pstrong city.

22 Though I said in mine ^qhaste, I am cast out of thy sight, yet thou heardest the voice of my praier, when I cryed unto thee.

23 Love ye the Lord all his ^rSaints: *for the Lord preserveth the faithful, and rewardeth abundantly the proud doer.*

24 All ye that trust in the Lord, be ^sstrong, and he shal establish your heart.

PSAL. 32.

1 David punished with grievous sickness for his sins, counteth them blessed, to whom God doeth not impute their transgressions 5 And after that he had confessed his sins & obtained pardon, 6 He exhorteth the wicked men to live godly, 11 And the good to rejoyce.

¶ *A Psalme of David to give ^ainstruction.*

11 g My enemies had drawn all men to their part against me, even my chief friends.

11 h They were afraid to show me any token of friendship.

13 i They that were in authority, condemned me as a wicked doer.

14 k I had this testimony of conscience, that you would defend my innocencie.

15 l Whatsoever changes come, you govern them by your providence.

17 m Let death destroy them, to the intent that they may hurt no more.

19 n The treasures of God's mercy are always layed up in store for his children, albeit at all times they do not enjoy them.

20 ^oEbr., in the secret of your face.

20 o That is, in a place where they shall have your comfort, and be hid safely from the enemy's pride.

21 p Meaning, there was no city so strong to preserve him, as the defense of God's favor.

22 q And so by my rashness & infidelity deserve I to have been forsaken.

23 ^rOr, you that feel his mercies.

24 r Be constant in your vocation, and God will confirm you with heavenly strength.

Psalme 32

a Concerning the free remission of sins, which is the chiefest point of our faith.

Blessed is he whose wickedness is ^bforgiven, and whose sin is covered. 2 Blessed is the man, unto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquitie, and in whose spirit *there is* no guile.

3 When I held my ^ctongue, my bones consumed, or when I ^droared all the day,

4 (For thine hand is heavy upon me, daie and night: and my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. Sélah)

5 Then I ^eacknowledged my sin unto thee, neither hid I mine iniquity: for I thought, I wil confess against my self my wickedness unto the Lord, & thou forgavest the punishment of my sin, Séláh.

6 Therefore shal every one, that is godlie, make his praier unto thee in a ^ftime, when thou maist be found: surely in the flood of great waters ^gthey shal not come near him.

7 Thou art my secret place: thou preservest me from trouble: thou compassest me about with joyful deliverance. Séláh.

8 I wil ^hinstruct thee, and teach thee in the way, that thou shalt go, and I wil guide thee with mine eye.

9 Be ye not like an horse, or like a mule, *which* understand not: whose ⁱmouths thou doest bind with bit and bridel, lest they come near thee.

10 Many sorrows *shal come* to the wicked: but he, that trusteth in the Lord, mercy shal compass him.

11 Be glad ye righteous, and ^krejoyce in the Lord, and be joyful all ye, that are upright in heart.

PSAL. 33.

1 He exhortheth good men to praise God for that he hath not only created all things, and by his providence governeth the same, but also is faithful in his promises, 10 He understandeth man's heart, and scatereth the counsel of the wicked, 16 So that no man can be preserved by any creature or man's strength but they, that put their confidence in his mercy, shalbe preserved from all adversities.

Rejoyce in the Lord, ô ye righteous: for it ^abecometh upright men to be thankful. 2 Praise the Lord with harp: sing unto him with viol and ^binstrument of ten strings

3 Sing unto him a new song: sing cheerfully with a loud voyce.

4 For the ^cword of the Lord is righteous, and all his ^dworks are faithful.

5 He ^eloveth righteousness and judgement: the earth is ful of the

1 b To be justified by faith, is to have our sins freely remitted, and to be reputed just, Rom. 4.6.

3 c Between hope and despair.

3 d Neither by silence nor crying found I ease: signifying, that before the sinner be reconciled to God, he feels a perpetual torment.

5 e He shows that as God's mercy is the only cause of forgiveness of sins, so the means thereof are repentance and confession, which proceed of faith

6 f When necessity causes him to seek to you for help. Is. 55.6.

6 g To wit, the waters and great dangers.

8 h David promises to make the rest of God's children partakers of the benefits, which he felt, and that he will diligently look and take care to direct them in the way of salvation.

9 i If men can rule brute beasts, think they, that God will not bridle and tame their rage?

11 k He shows that peace and joy of conscience in the holie Ghost is the fruit of faith.

Psalm 33

1 a It is the duty of the godly to set forth the praises of God for his mercy and power showed toward them.

2 b To sing on instruments was a part of the ceremonial service of the Temple, which does no more appertain unto us, then the sacrifices, censings and lights.

4 c That is counsel or commandment in governing the world.

4 d That is, the effect and execution.

5 e Howsoever the world judges of God's works, yet he does all things according to justice and mercy.

goodness of the Lord.

6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.

7 He ^fgathereth the waters of the sea together as upon an heap, and laieith up the depths in *his* treasures.

8 Let all the earth fear the Lord: let all them that dwell in the world, fear him.

9 For he spake, and it was done: he commanded, and it [^]stood.

10 The Lord breaketh the ^gcounsel of the heathen, and bringeth to nought the devises of the people.

11 The counsel of the Lord shal stand for ever, and the thoughts of his heart through out all ages.

12 Blessed is that nation, whose ^hGod is the Lord, *even* the people, *that* he hath chosen for his inheritance.

13 The Lord ⁱloketh down from heaven, and beholdeth all the children of men.

14 From the habitation of his dwelling he beholdeth all them that dwell in the earth.

15 He ^kfacioneth their hearts every one, and understandeth all their works.

16 The ^lKing is not saved by the multitude of an host, *neither* is the mighty man delivered by great strength.

17 A horse is a vain help, and shal not deliver *any* by his great strength.

18 Behold, ^mthe eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him, and upon them, that trust in his mercy,

19 To deliver their souls from death, and to preserve them in famine.

20 ⁿOur soul waiteth for the Lord: for he is our help & our shield.

21 Surely our heart shal rejoyce in him, because we trusted in his holie Name.

22 Let thy mercy, ô Lord, be upon us, as we trust in thee.

PSAL. 34.

1 After David had escaped Achish, according as it is written in the 1 Sam. 21.11, whom in this title he calleth Abimélech (which was a general name to all the Kings of the Philistims) he praiseth God for his deliverance, 3 Provoking all others by his example to trust in God, 11 fear & serve him: 14 Who defendeth the godlie with his Angels, 15 And utterly destroyeth the wicked in their sins.

¶ A Psalme of David, when he changed his behavior before Abimélech, who drove him away, and he departed.

Wil ^aalwaie give thanks unto the Lord: his praise *shalbe* in my mouth continually. 2 My soul shal glorie in the Lord: the ^bhumble shal hear it, and be glad.

7 f By the creation of the heavens and beautiful ornament, with the gathering also of the waters he sets forth the power of God, that all creatures might fear him.

9 [^]Or, was created.

10 g No counsel can prevail against God, but he defeats it and it shall have evil success.

12 h He shows that all our felicity stands in this, that the Lord is our God.

13 i He proves that all things are governed by God's providence and not by fortune.

15 k Therefore he knows their wicked enterprises.

16 l If Kings and the mighty of the world can not be saved by worldly means, but only by God's providence, what have others to trust in, that have not like means?

18 m God shows that toward his of his mercy, which man by no means is able to compass.

20 n Thus he speaks in the name of the whole Church, which only depend on God's providence.

Psalm 34

1 a He promises never to become unmindful of God's great benefit for his deliverance.

2 b They that are beaten down with the experience of their own evils.

3 Praise ye the Lord with me, and let us magnify his Name together.
 4 I sought the Lord, and he heard me: yea, he delivered me out of all my ^cfear.
 5 They ^dshal look unto him, and run *to him*: and their faces shal not be ashamed, *saying*,
 6 This poor man cried, and the Lord heard *him*, and saved him out of all his troubles.
 7 The ^eAngel of the Lord pitcheth round about them, that fear him, and delivereth them.
 8 Taste ye and see, how gracious the Lord is: blessed *is* the man that trusteth in him.
 9 Fear the Lord, ye his Saints: for nothing wanteth to them that fear him.
 10 The ^flyons do lack and suffer hunger, but they, which seek the Lord, shal ^gwant nothing that is good.
 11 Come children, hearken unto me: I wil teach you the ^hfear of the Lord.
 12 ^{*}What man is he, that desireth life, and loveth *long* daies for to ⁱsee good?
 13 Keep thy tongue from evil, & thy lips, that they speak no guile.
 14 Eschew evil and do good: seek peace and follow after it.
 15 The eyes of the Lord *are* upon the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their cry.
 16 *But* the ^kface of the Lord *is* against them that do evil, to cut off their remembrance from the earth.
 17 *The righteous* cry, and the Lord heareth *them*, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.
 18 The Lord is near unto them that are of a ^lcontrite heart, and wil save such as be afflicted in spirit.
 19 Great *are* the troubles of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of them all.
 20 ^mHe kepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.
 21 *But* malice shal slay the ⁿwicked: and they that hate the righteous, shal perish.
 22 The Lord ^oredemeth the souls of his servants: and none, that trust in him, shal perish.

PSAL. 35.

1 So long as Saúl was enemie to David, all that had any authority under him to flatter their King (as is the course of the world) did also most cruelly persecute David against whom he praieth God to plead and to avenge his cause, 8 That they may be taken in their nets & snares, which they laied for him, that his innocencie may be declared, 27 And that the innocent, which taketh part with him, may rejoyce and praise the Name of the Lord, that thus delivereth his servants 28 And so he promiseth to speak forth the justice of the Lord, and to magnify his Name all

4c Which I conceived for the dangers wherein I was.
 5 d They shall be bold to flee to you for succor, when they shall see your mercies toward me.
 7 e Though God's power be sufficient to govern us, yet for man's infirmity he appoints his Angels to watch over us.
 10 f The godly by their patient obedience profit more then they, which ravine and spoil.
 10 g If they abide the last trial.
 11 h That is, the true religion and worship of God.
 12 ^{*}1 Pet. 3.10.
 12 i Seeing all men naturally desire felicity, he wonders why they cast themselves willingly into misery.
 16 k The anger of God does not only destroy the wicked, but also abolishes their name forever.
 18 l When they seem to be swallowed up with afflictions, then God is at hand to deliver them.
 20 m And as Christ says, all the hairs of his head.
 21 n Their wicked enterprises shall turn to their own destruction.
 22 o For when they seem to be overcome with great dangers and death itself, then God shows himself their redeemer.

the dayes of his life.

A Psalme of David.

PLead thou my ^acause, ô Lord, with them that strive with me: fight thou against them, that fight against me. 2 ^bLay hand upon the shield and buckler, and stand up for mine help.
 3 Bring out also the spear and stop *the way* against them, that persecute me: say unto my ^csoul, I am thy salvation.
 4 Let them be confounded and put to shame, that seek after my soul: let them be turned back, and brought to confusion, that imagine mine hurt.
 5 Let them be as chaff before the wind, and let the Angel of the Lord ^dscatter *them*
 6 Let their way be dark and slippery: and let the Angel of the Lord persecute them.
 7 For ^ewithout cause they have hid the pit *and* their net for me: without cause have they digged *a pit* for my soul.
 8 Let destruction come upon ^fhim at unwares, and let his net, that he hath laied prively, take him: let him fall into ^gthe same destruction.
 9 Then my soul shalbe joyful in the Lord: it shal rejoyce in his salvation.
 10 All my ^hbones shal say, Lord, who is like unto thee, which deliverest the poor from him, that is too strong for him! yea, the poor and him that is in misery, from him that spoileth him!
 11 ⁱCruel witnesses did rise up: they asked of me things that I knewe not.
 12 They rewarded me evil for good, to ^khave spoiled my soul.
 13 Yet I, when they were sick, I was clothed with a sack: I humbled my soul with fasting: and ^lmy praier was turned upon my bosom.
 14 I behaved my self as to *my* friend, *or* as to my brother: I humbled my self, mourning as one that bewaileth his mother.
 15 But in mine ^madversity they rejoiced, and gathered them selves together: the abjects assembled them selves against me, and I knewe not: they tare ⁿme and ceased not,
 16 With the false scoffers at ^obankets, gnashing their teeth against me.
 17 Lord, how long wilt thou behold *this*? deliver my soul from their tumult, *even* my desolate soul from the lions.
 18 So wil I give thee thanks in a great Congregation: I wil praise thee among much people.
 19 Let not them that are mine enemies, unjustly rejoyce over me, neither let them ^pwink with the eye, that hate me without a cause.

1 a He desires God to undertake his cause against them that did persecute him and slander him.
 2 b Albeit God can with his breath destroy all his enemies, yet the holy Ghost attributes unto him these outward weapons to assure us of his present power.
 3 c Assure me against these tentations, that you are the author of my salvation.
 5 d Smite them with the spirit of giddiness that their enterprises may be foolish, and they receive just reward.
 7 e Showing that we may not call God to be a revenger, but only for his glory, and when our cause is just.
 8 f When he promises to himself peace.
 8 g Which he prepared against the children of God.
 10 h He attributes his deliverance only to God, praising him therefore both in soul and body.
 11 i That would not suffer me to purge myself.
 12 k To have taken from me all comfort and brought me into despair.
 13 l I prayed for them with inward affection, as I would have done for my self, or I declared my affection with bowing down my head.
 15 m When they saw me ready to slip and as one that halted for infirmity.
 15 n With their railing words.
 16 o The word signifies cakes meaning that the proud courtiers at their dainty feasts scoff, rail, and conspire his death.
 19 p In token of contempt and mocking.

20 For they speak not as friends: but they imagine deceitful words against the [^]quite of the land.

21 And they gaped on me with their mouths, saying, Aha, aha, [^]our eye hath seen.

22 Thou hast seen it, ^o Lord: keep not silence: be not far from me, ^o Lord.

23 Arise and wake to my judgement, *even* to my cause, my God, and my Lord.

24 Judge me, ^o Lord my God, according to thy ^rrighteousness, and let them not rejoyce over me.

25 Let them not say in their hearts, ^sO our soul rejoyce: neither let them say, We have devoured him.

26 Let them be confounded, and put to shame ^together, that rejoyce at mine hurt: let them be clothed ^uwith confusion and shame, that lift up them selves against me.

27 *But* let them be joyful and glad, ^xthat love my righteousness: yea, let them say alwaie, Let the Lord be magnified, which loveth the ^yprosperity of his servant.

28 And my tongue shal utter thy righteousness, *and* thy praise every day.

PSAL. 36.

1 The Prophet grievously Vexed by the wicked, doeth complain of their malicious wickedness. 6 Then he turneth to consider the unspeakable goodness of God towards all creatures. 9 But specially towards his children, that by the faith thereof he maie be comforted and assured of his deliverance by this ordinary course of God's work, 13 Who in the end destroyeth the wicked and saveth the just.

¶ *To him that excelleth, A Psal. of David, the servant of the Lord.*

Wickedness saith to the wicked man, ^aeven in mine heart, *that there is no fear of God before his eyes.* 2 For he ^bflattereth him self in his own eyes, while his iniquity is found *worthy to be hated.*

3 The words of his mouth *are* iniquity and ^cdeceit: he hath left off to understand *and* to do good.

4 He ^dimagineth mischief upon his bed: he setteth him self upon a way, *that is not good and* doeth not abhor evil.

5 Thy ^emercy, ^o Lord, *reacheth* unto the heavens, *and* thy faithfulness unto the clouds.

6 Thy righteousness *is* like the [^]mighty mountains: thy judgements *are like* a great ^fdeep: thou, Lord, doest save man and beast.

20 [^] Or, clefts of the earth: meaning himself and others in their misery.

21 ^q They rejoiced as though they had now seen David overthrown.

24 ^r It is the justice of God to give to the oppressors affliction & torment, and to the oppressed, aid and relief, 2 Thess. 1.6.

25 ^s Because we have that which we sought for, seeing he is destroyed.

26 ^t That is, at once, were they never so many or mighty.

26 ^u This prayer shall always be verified against them, that persecute the faithful.

27 ^x That at least favor my right, though they be not able to help me.

27 ^y He exhorts the Church to praise God for the deliverance of his servants, and for the destruction of his adversaries.

Psalm 36

1 ^a I see evidently by his deeds, that sin pushes forward the reprobate from wickedness to wickedness, albeit he go about to cover his impiety.

2 ^b Though all other detest his vile sin, yet he himself sees it not.

3 ^c The reprobate mock at wholesome doctrine and put not difference between good and evil.

4 ^d By describing at large the nature of the reprobate, he admonishes the godly to beware of these vices.

5 ^e Though wickedness seems to overflow all the world, yet by your heavenly providence you govern heaven and earth.

6 [^]Ebr., the mountains of God: for whatsoever is excellent, is thus called.

6 ^f The depth of your providence governs all things, and disposes them, albeit the wicked seem to overwhelm the world.

7 How excellent is thy mercy, ^o God! therefore the children of men trust under the shadow of thy wings.

8 They shal be ⁹satisfied with the fatness of thine house, and thou shalt give them drink out of the river of thy pleasures.

9 For with thee *is* the well of life, *and* in thy light shal we see light.

10 Extend thy loving kindness unto them that ^hknow thee, and thy righteousness unto them that are upright in heart.

11 Let not the ⁱfoot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked men move me.

12 ^kThere they are fallen that work iniquity: they are cast down, and shal not be able to rise.

PSAL. 37.

1 This Psalme containeth exhortation and consolation for the weak, that are grieved at the prosperity of the wicked, and the affliction of the godly. 7 For how prosperously soever the wicked do live for the time, he doeth affirm their felicitie to be vain and transitory, because they are not in the favor of God, but in the end they are destroyed as his enemies, 11 And how miserably that the righteous semeth to live in the world, yet his end is peace, and he is in the favor of God, he is delivered from the wicked and preserved.

¶ *A Psalme of David.*

Freate not ^athy self because of the wicked men, neither be envious for the evil doers. 2 For they shal soon be ^bcut down like grass, and shal wither as the green herb.

3 ^cTrust thou in the Lord and do good: dwell in the land, and thou shalt be fed assuredly.

4 And delite thy self in the Lord, and he shal give thee thine heart's desire.

5 ^dCommit thy way unto the Lord, and trust in him, and he shal bring it to pass.

6 And he shal bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy ^ejudgement as the noon daye.

7 Wait patiently upon the Lord and hope in him: freat not thy self for him ^fwhich prospereth in his way: *nor* for the man that bringeth *his* enterprises to pass.

8 Cease from anger, and leave of wrath: freat not thy self ^galso to do evil.

9 For evil doers shalbe cut of, and they that wait upon the Lord, they shal inherit the land.

10 ^hTherefore yet a little while, and the wicked shal not *appear*, and thou shalt look after his place, and he shal not *be found*.

8 ^g Only God's children have enough of all things both concerning this life and the life to come.

10 ^h He shows who are God's children, to wit, they that know him, and lead their lives uprightly.

11 ⁱ Let not the proud advance himself against me, neither the power of the wicked drive me away.

12 ^k That is, in their pride wherein they flatter themselves.

Psalm 37

1 ^a He admonishes us neither to vex ourselves for the prosperous estate of the wicked, neither to desire to be like them to make our state the better.

2 ^b For God's judgement cuts down their state in a moment.

3 ^c To trust in God, and do according to his will, are sure tokens, that his providence will never fail us.

5 ^d Be not led by your own wisdom, but obey God, and he will finish his work in you.

6 ^e As the hope of the daylight causes us not to be offended with the darkness of the night: so ought we patiently to trust that God will clear our cause and restore us to our right.

7 ^f When God suffers the wicked to prosper, it seems to the flesh that he favors their doings.

8 ^g Meaning, except he moderate his affections, he shall be led to do as they do.

10 ^h He corrects the impatience of our nature, which cannot abide till the fullness of God's time be come.

11 But *meek men shal possess the earth, and shal have their delite in the multitude of peace.
 12 The wicked practiseth against the just, and gnasheth his teeth against him.
 13 *But* the Lord shal laugh him to scorn: for he seeth, that his day is coming.
 14 The wicked have drawn *their* sword, and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, *and* to slay such as be of upright conversation.
 15 *But* their sword shal enter into their own heart, and their bows shal be broken.
 16 ^kA small thing unto the just man is better, then great riches to the wicked *and* mighty.
 17 For the arms of the wicked shalbe broken: but the Lord upholdeth the just men.
 18 The Lord ^lknoweth the dayes of upright men, and their inheritance shalbe perpetual.
 19 They shal not be confounded in the perilous time, and in the days of famine they shal have ^mynough.
 20 But the wicked shal perish, and the enemies of the Lord shalbe consumed as the ⁿfat of lambs: *even* with the smoke shal they consume away.
 21 The wicked boroweth and payeth not again: but the righteous is merciful, and ^ogiveth.
 22 For such as be blessed of God, shal inherit the land, and they that be cursed of him, shalbe cut of.
 23 ^pThe paths of man are directed by the Lord: for he loveth his way.
 24 Though he ^qfall, he shal not be cast of: for the Lord putteth under his hand.
 25 I have been young and am old: yet I saw never the righteous forsaken, nor his ^rseed begging bread.
 26 *But* he is ever merciful and lendeth, and his seed *enjoyeth* the blessing.
 27 Flee from evil and do good, and dwell for ever.
 28 For the Lord loveth judgement, and forsaketh not his Saints: they shalbe preserved for evermore: but the seed of the wicked shalbe cut off.
 29 The righteous men shal inherit the land, and dwell therein ^sfor ever.
 30 The ^tmouth of the righteous wil speak of wisdom, and his tongue wil talk of judgement.
 31 *For* the Law of his God *is* in his heart, *and* his steps shal not slide.
 32 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seketh to slay him.

11 * Mat. 5.5.

12 ⁱ The godly are assured that the power and craft of the wicked shall not prevail against them, but fall on their own necks, and therefore ought patiently to abide God's time, and in the mean while bewail their sins, and offer up their tears as a sacrifice of their obedience.
 16 ^k For they are daily fed as with Manna from heaven, and have sufficient, when the wicked have never enough, but ever hunger.
 18 ^l God knows what dangers hang over his and by what means to deliver them.
 19 ^m For God will give them contented minds, and that which shall be necessary.
 20 ⁿ They shall vanish away suddenly: for they are fed for the day of slaughter.
 21 ^o God so furnishes him with his blessing that he is able to help others.
 23 ^p God prospers the faithful, because they walk in his ways with an upright conscience.
 24 ^q When God does exercise his faith with divers tentations.
 25 ^r Though the just man die, yet God's blessings are extended to his posterity, and though God suffer some just man to lack temporal benefits, yet he recompenses him with spiritual treasures.
 29 ^s They shall continually be preserved under God's wings, and have at length inward rest.
 30 ^t These three points are required of the faithful, that their talk be godly, that God's Law be in their heart, and that their life be upright.

33 *But* the Lord wil not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him, when he is ^ujudged.
 34 Wait thou on the Lord, and keep his way, and he shal exalt thee, and thou shalt inherit the land: when the wicked men shal perish, thou shalt see.
 35 I have seen the wicked strong, and spreading him self like a green bay tree.
 36 Yet he ^xpassed away, and lo, he was gone, and I sought him, but he could not be found.
 37 ^yMark the upright man, and behold the just: for the end of *that* man *is* peace.
 38 But the transgressors shalbe destroyed together, *and* the end of the wicked shalbe cut off.
 39 But the ^zsalvation of the righteous men *shalbe* of the Lord: he *shalbe* their strength in the time of trouble.
 40 For the Lord shal help them, and deliver them: he shal deliver them from the wicked, and shal save them, because they trust in him.

PSAL. 38.

1 David lying sick of some grievous disease, acknowledgeth him self to be chastised of the Lord for his sins, and therefore praieth God to turn away his wrath. 5 He uttereth the greatness of his grief by many words and circumstances, as wounded with the arrows of God's ire, forsaken of his friends, evil intreated of his enemies, 22 But in the end with firm confidence he commendeth his cause to God, and hopeth for speedie help at his hand.

¶ *A Psalme of David for ^aremembrance.*

 Lord, rebuke me not in thine ^banger, neither chastise me in thy wrath. 2 For thine ^carrows have light upon me, and thine hand layeth upon me.
 3 There *is* nothing sound in my flesh, because of thine anger: neither *is* there rest in my bones because of my ^dsin.
 4 For ^emine iniquities are gone over mine head, *and* as a weighty burden they are too heavy for me.
 5 My wounds are putrefied, and corrupt because of ^fmy foolishness.
 6 I am bowed, *and* crooked very sore: I go ^gmourning all the day.
 7 For my reins are full of burning, and there *is* nothing sound in my flesh.
 8 I am weakened and sore broken: I ^hroar for the very grief of mine heart.
 9 Lord, *I pour* my whole desire before thee, and my sighing is not hid from thee.

33 ^u For though it be sometime so expedient both for God's glory and their salvation, yet he will approve their cause, and revenge their wrong.
 36 ^x So that the prosperity of the wicked is but as a cloud, which vanishes away in a moment.
 37 ^y He exhorts the faithful to mark diligently the examples both of God's mercies, and also of his judgements.
 39 ^z He shows that the patient hope of the godly is never in vain, but in the end has good success, though for a time God prove them by sundry tentations.

Psalm 38

a To put himself and others in mind of God's chastisement for sin.
 1 b He desires not to be exempted from God's rod, but that he would so moderate his hand, that he might be able to bear it.
 2 c Your sickness, wherewith you have visited me.
 3 d David acknowledges God to be just in his punishments because his sins had deserved much more.
 4 e He confesses his sins, God's justice, and makes prayer his refuge.
 5 f That rather gave place to my own lusts, then to the will of God.
 6 ^gOr, black, as one that is disfigured and consumed with sickness.
 8 g This example warns us never to despair, be the torment never so great but always to cry unto God with sure trust for deliverance.

10 Mine heart [^]panteth: my strength faileth me, and the light of mine eyes, even ^hthey are not mine own.
 11 My lovers and my friends stand aside from my plague, and my ^kkinsmen stand a far off.
 12 They also, that seek after my life, lay snares, and they that go about to do me evil, talk wicked things and imagine deceit continually.
 13 But I as ^{ka}a deaf man heard not, and *am* as a dumme man, *which* openeth not his mouth.
 14 Thus am I as a man, that heareth not, and in whose mouth *are* no reproofs.
 15 For on thee, ô Lord, do I wait: thou wilt hear *me*, my Lord, my God.
 16 For I said, *Hear me*, lest they rejoyce over me: *for* ^lwhen my foot slippeth, they extol them selves against me.
 17 Surely I am ready to ^mhalt, and my sorrow *is* ever before me.
 18 When I declare my pain, *and* am sorry for my sin,
 19 Then mine ⁿenemies are alive *and* are mighty, and they that hate me wrongfully are many.
 20 They also, that reward evil for good, are mine adversaries, because I follow ^ogoodness.
 21 Forsake me not, ô Lord: be not thou far from me, my God.
 22 Haste thee to help me, ô my Lord, my ^psalvation.

PSAL. 39.

1 David uttereth with what great grief and bitterness of mind he was driven to these outrageous complaints of his infirmities 2 For he confesseth that when he had determined silence, that he brast forth yet into words that he would not, through the greatness of his grief 4 Then he rehearseth certain requests which taste of the infirmity of man, 8 And mixeth with them many prayers, but all do show a mind wonderfully troubled, that it may plainly appear how he did strive mightily against death and desperation.

¶ *To the excellent musician ^aJeduthún. A Psalme of David.*

I Thought, ^bI will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth bridled, while the wicked is in my sight.
 2 I was dumme and spake nothing: I kept silence *even* from good, ^cand my sorrow was more stirred.
 3 Mine heart was hot within me, *and* while I was musing, the fire kindled, *and* ^dI spake with my tongue, *saying*,
 4 Lord, let me know mine end, and the measure of my dayes, what it is: let me know how long I have to live.
 5 Behold, thou hast made my dayes as an hand breadth, and

10 ^eEbr., Runs about, or, is tossed to and fro, meaning that he was destitute of all help and counsel.

10 ^h My sight fails me for very sorrow.

11 ⁱ Partly for fear, and partly for pride they denied all duty and friendship.

13 ^k For I can have no audience before men, and therefore patiently wait for the help of God.

16 ^l That is, if they see that you succor me not in time, they will mock and triumph, as though you had forsaken me.

17 ^m I am without hope to recover my strength.

19 ⁿ In my greatest misery they most rejoice.

20 ^o He had rather have the hatred of all the world, then to fail in any part of his duty to Godward.

22 ^p Which is the author of my salvation: and this declares that he prayed with sure hope of deliverance.

Psalme 39

a This was one of the chief singers, 1 Chron. 16.41.

1 b Albeit he had appointed with himself patiently to have tarried God's leisure, yet the vehemencie of his pain caused him to break his purpose.

2 c Though when the wicked ruled, he thought to have kept silence, yet his zeal caused him to change his mind.

3 d He confesses that he grudged against God, considering the greatness of his sorrows, and the shortness of his life.

mine age as nothing in respect of thee: surely every man *in his best* state is altogether ^evanity. Sélah.

6 Douteles man walketh in a shadow, and disquieteth him self in vain: he heapeth up *riches*, and can not tel who shal gather them.

7 And now Lord, what wait I for? mine hope is even in thee.

8 Deliver me from all my transgressions, and make me not a rebuke unto the ^ffoolish.

9 I should have been dumme, and not have opened my mouth, because ^gthou didest it.

10 Take thy plague away from me: for I am consumed by the stroke of thine hand.

11 When thou with rebukes doest chastise man for iniquity, thou as a moth ^hmakest his ⁱbeautie to consume: surely every man *is* vanitie. Sélah.

12 Hear my praier, ô Lord, and hearken unto my cry: keep not silence at my tears, for I am a stranger with thee, *and* a sojourner as all my fathers.

13 Stay *thine anger* from me, that I maie recover my strength, ^kbefore I go hence and be not.

PSAL. 40.

1 David delivered from great danger, doeth magnifie and praise the grace of God for his deliverance, and commendeth his providence towards all mankind. 5 Then doeth he promise to give him self wholly to God's service, and so declareth how God is truely worshiped. 14 Afterward he giveth thanks and praiseth God, and having complained of his enemies, with good courage he calleth for aide and succor.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David.*

I Waited ^apatiently for the Lord, and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry. 2 He brought me also out of the ^bhorrible pit, out of the myrie claie, and set my fete upon the rocke, and ordered my goings.

3 And he hath put in my mouth ^ca new song of praise unto our God: many shal se it and fear, and shal trust in the Lord.

4 Blessed *is* the man, that maketh the Lord his trust, and regardeth ^dnot the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.

5 ^eO Lord my God, thou hast made thy wonderful works so many, that none can count in order to thee thy thoughts toward us: I would declare, and speak *of them*, *but* they are mo then I am able to express.

5 ^e Yet David offended in that that he reasoned with God, as though that he were too severe toward his weak creature.

8 ^f Make me not a mocking stock to the wicked, or wrap me not up with the wicked, when they are put to shame.

9 ^g Seeing my troubles came of your providence, I ought to have endured them patiently.

11 ^h Though your open plagues light not evermore upon them, yet your secret curse continually frets them.

11 ⁱ The word signifies all that he desires, as health, force, strength, beauty, and in whatsoever he has delight, so that the rod of God takes away all that is desired in this world.

13 ^k For his sorrow caused him to think that God would destroy him utterly: whereby we see how hard it is for the very Saints to keep a measure in their words, when death and despair assail them.

Psalme 40

1 a Though God differed his help, yet he patiently abode, till he was heard.

2 b He has delivered me from most great dangers.

3 c That is, a special occasion to praise him: for God's benefits are so many occasions for us to praise his Name.

4 d To follow their example, which he must needs do, that trusts not only in the Lord.

5 e David goes from one kind of God's favor to the contemplation of his providence over all, and confesses that his counsels towards us are far above our capacities: we can not so much as tell them in order.

6 Sacrifice and offering thou didest not desire: (*for* mine ears hast thou prepared) burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required.

7 ⁹Then said I, Lo, I come: *for* in the rolle of the boke it *is* written of me,

8 I desired to do thy good wil, \hat{o} my God: yea, thy Law is within mine heart.

9 I have declared *thy* righteousness in the ^hgreat Congregation: lo, I wil not refrain my lips: \hat{o} Lord, thou knowest

10 I have not hid thy righteousness within mine heart, *but* I have declared thy ^ttruth and thy salvation: I have not concealed thy mercy and thy truth from the great Congregation.

11 Withdraw not thou thy tender mercie from me, \hat{o} Lord: let thy mercie and thy truth alway preserve me.

12 For innumerable troubles have compassed me: my sins have taken such hold upon me, that I am not able to look up: yea, they are mo in nomber then the hairs of mine head: therefore mine heart hath ^kfailed me.

13 Let it please thee, \hat{o} Lord, to deliver me: make haste, \hat{o} Lord, to help me.

14 Let them be ^lconfounded and put to shame together, that seek my soul to destroy it: let them be driven backward and put to rebuke, that desire mine hurt.

15 Let them be ^mdestroyed for a reward of their shame, which say unto me, Aha, aha.

16 Let all them, that seek thee, rejoyce and be glad in thee: and let them, that love thy salvation, say alway, ⁿThe Lord be praised.

17 Though I be poor and needy, the Lord thinketh on me: thou art mine helper and my deliverer: my God, make no tarrying.

PSAL. 41.

1 David being grievously afflicted, blesseth them, that pity his case, 9 And complaineth of the treason of his own friends and familiars, as came to pass in Judas, John 13.18. After he feeling the great mercies of God gently chastising him, and not suffering his enemies to triumph against him, 13 Giveth most hearty thanks unto God.

\P *To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David.*

Blessed is he that ^ajudgeth wisely of the poor: the Lord shal deliver him in the time of trouble. 2 The Lord wil keep him, and preserve him alive: he shalbe blessed upon the earth, and thou wilt not deliver him unto the wil of his enemies.

3 The Lord wil strengthen him upon the ^bbed of sorrow: thou

6 f You have opened my ears to understand the spiritual meaning of the sacrifices and here David esteems the ceremonies of the Law nothing in respect of the spiritual service.

7 g When you had opened my ears and heart, I was ready to obey you, being assured that I was written in the book of your elect for this end.

9 h In the Church assembled in the Sanctuary

10 i David here numbers three degrees of our salvation: God's mercy, whereby he pities us: his righteousness, which signifies his continual protection: and his truth, whereby appears his constant favor, so that hereof proceeds our salvation.

12 k As touching the judgement of the flesh, I was utterly destitute of all counsel, yet faith inwardly moved my heart to pray.

14 l He desired that God's mercy may contend for him against the rage of his enemies.

15 m Let the same shame, and confusion light upon them, which they intended to have brought upon me.

16 n As the faithful always praise God for his benefits: so the wicked mock God's children in their afflictions.

Psalm 41

1 a Not condemning him as accursed, whom God does visit, knowing that there are divers causes, why God lays his hand upon us: yea, and afterward he restores us.

3 b When for sorrow and grief of mind he casts himself upon his bed.

hast turned all his ^cbed in his sickness.

4 *Therefore* I said, Lord have mercie upon me: heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.

5 Mine enemies ^dspeak evil of me, *saying*, When shal he die, and his name perish?

6 And if he come to see me, he speaketh ^elies, *but* his heart heapeth iniquity within him, & *when* he cometh forth, he telleth it.

7 All they that hate me, whisper together against me: *even* against me do they imagine mine hurt.

8 ^fA mischief is light upon him, & he that lieth, shal no more rise.

9 Yea, my ^gfamiliar friend, whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, ^hhath lifted up the heel against me.

10 Therefore, \hat{o} Lord, have mercie upon me, and raise me up: so I shal reward them.

11 By this I know that thou favorest me, because mine enemy doeth not triumph against me.

12 And as for me, thou upholdest me ⁱin mine integrity, and doest set me before thy ^jface for ever.

13 Blessed *be* the Lord God of Israél world without end. ^kSo be it, even so be it.

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PSAL. 42.

1 The Prophet grievously complaineth, that being letted by his persecutors he could not be present in the Congregation of God's people, protesting that although he was separated in bodie from them, yet his heart was thitherward affected 7 And last of all he sheweth, that he was not so far overcome with these sorrows and thoughts, 8 But that he continually put his confidence in the Lord.

\P *To him that excelleth. A Psalme to give instruction, ^acommitted to the sons of Kórah.*

AS the hart braieth for the rivers of water, so ^bpanteth my soul after thee, \hat{o} God. 2 My soul thirsteth for God, *even* for the living God: when shal I come and appear *before* the presence of God?

3 ^cMy tears have been my meat daie and night, while they daily say unto me, Where is thy God?

4 When I remembered ^dthese things, I poured out my verie heart, because I had gone with the multitude, *and* led them into the House of God with the voice of singing, *and* praise, as a multitude that kepeth a feast.

3 c You have restored him in his sickbed and sent him comfort.

5 d That is, curse me, and can not have their cruel hate quenched, but with my shameful death.

6 e For pretending to comfort me, he conspires my death in his heart, and brags thereof.

8 f The enemies thought by his sharp punishments that God was become his mortal enemy.

9 ^gEbr., The man of my peace.

9 g As David felt this falsehood, and as it was chiefly accomplished in Christ, John 13.18, so shall his members continually, prove the same.

12 h Meaning, either in prosperity of life, or in the true fear of God against all tentations.

12 i Showing me evident signs of your Fatherly providence.

13 k By this repetition he stirs up the faithful to praise God.

Psalm 42

a As a treasure to be kept of them, which were of the number of the Levities.

1 b By these similitudes of thirst & panting he shows his fervent desire to serve God in his Temple.

3 c As others take pleasure in eating and drinking, so he was altogether given to weeping.

4 d That is, how I led the people to serve you in your Tabernacle, and now seeing my contrary estate, I die for sorrow.

5 Why art thou cast down, my soul, and unquiet within me? ^ewait on God: for I wil yet give him thanks for the help of his presence.
 6 My God, my soul is cast down within me, ^fbecause I remember thee, from the land of Jordén, and Hermoním, *and* from the mount Mizár.
 7 *One* ^gdeep calleth *another* deep by the noise of thy water spouts: all thy waves and thy floods are gone over me.
 8 The Lord ^hwil grant his loving kindness in the day, and in the night shal I sing of him, *even* a praier unto the God of my life.
 9 I wil say unto God, *which is* my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me? why go I mourning, when the enemie oppresseth *me*?
 10 My ⁱbones are cut a sunder, while mine enemies reproach me, saying daily unto me, Where is thy God?
 11 ^kWhy art thou cast down, my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? wait on God: for I wil yet give him thanks: *he is* my present help, and my God.

PSAL. 43.

1 He praieith to be delivered from them which conspire against him, that he might joyfully praise God in his holie Congregation.

Judge ^ame, ô God, and defend my cause against the unmerciful ^bpeople: deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.
 2 For thou art the God of my strength: why hast thou put me away? why go I so mourning, when the enemie oppresseth *me*.
 3 Send thy ^clight and thy truth: let them lead me: let them bring me unto thine holy Mountain and to thy Tabernacles.
 4 Then ^dwil I go unto the altar of God, *even* unto the God of my joy *and* gladness: and upon the harp wil I give thanks unto thee, ô God, my God.
 5 Why art thou cast down, my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? ^ewait on God: for I wil yet give him thanks, *he is* my present help, and my God.

PSAL. 44.

1 The faithful remember the great mercie of God toward his people 9 After, they complain, because they feel it no more. 17 Also they alledge the covenant made with Abrahám, for the keeping whereof they shewe what grievous things they suffered 23 Finally they pray unto God not to contemne their affliction, seing the same redoundeth to the contempt of his honour.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme to give instruction, committed to the sons of Kórah.*

5 ^e Though he sustained grievous assaults of the flesh to cast him into despair, yet his faith grounded on God's accustomed mercies, gets the victory.
 6 ^f That is, when I remember you in this land of my banishment among the mountains.
 7 ^g Afflictions came so thick upon me, that I felt myself as overwhelmed: whereby he shows there is no end of our misery, till God be pacified, and send remedy.
 8 ^h He assures himself of God's help in time to come.
 10 ⁱ That is, I am most grievously tormented.
 11 ^k This repetition does declare that David did not overcome at once: to teach us to be constant forasmuch as God wil certainly deliver his.

Psalm 43

1 ^a He desires God to undertake his cause against the enemies, but chiefly that He would restore him to the Tabernacle.
 1 ^b That is, the cruel company of my enemies.
 3 ^c To wit, your favor, which appears by the performance of your promises.
 4 ^d He promises to offer a solemn sacrifice of thanksgiving in token of his great deliverance.
 5 ^e Whereby he admonishes the faithful not to relent, but constantly to wait on the Lord, though their troubles be long and great.

WE have heard with our ^aears, ô God: our fathers have told us the works, *that* thou hast done in their daies, in the olde time:

2 *How* thou hast driven out the ^bheathen with thine hand, and planted ^cthem: *how* thou hast destroyed the ^dpeople, and caused ^ethem to grow.
 3 For they inherited not the land by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but thy right hand, and thine arm and the light of thy countenance, because thou didest ^ffavor them.
 4 Thou art my King, ô God: send help unto ^gJaakób.
 5 ^hThrough thee have we thrust back our adversaries: by thy Name have we trodden down them that rose up against us.
 6 For I do not trust in my bow, neither can my sword save me.
 7 But thou hast saved us from our adversaries, and hast put them to confusion that hate us.
 8 *Therefore* wil we praise God continually, and wil confess thy Name for ever. Sélah.
 9 But *now* thou art far off, and puttest us to ⁱconfusion, and goest not forth with our armies.
 10 Thou makest us to turn back from the adversarie, and they, which hate us, spoil ^lfor them selves.
 11 ^{*}Thou givest us ^kas sheep to be eaten, and doest scatter us among the nations.
 12 Thou selleth thy people ^lwithout gain, and doest not increase their price.
 13 Thou makest us a reproach to our neighbors, a jest and a laughing stock to them that are round about us.
 14 Thou makest us a proverb among the nations, and a nodding of the head among the people.
 15 My ^mconfusioin *is* daily before me, and the shame of my face hath covered me,
 16 For the voice of the slanderer and rebuker, for the enemy and ⁿavenger.
 17 All this is come upon us, yet do we not ^oforget thee, neither deal we falsely concerning thy covenant.
 18 Our heart is not turned back: neither our steps gone out of thy paths,
 19 Albeit thou hast smitten us down into the place of ^ldragons, and covered us with the shadow of death.
 20 If we have forgotten the Name of our God, and holden up our

1 ^a This psalm seems to have been made by some excellent Prophet for the use of the people, when the Church was in extreme misery, either at their return from Babylon, or under Antiochus, or in such like affliction.

2 ^b That is, the Canaanites.

2 ^c To wit, our fathers.

2 ^d Of Canaan.

2 ^e That is, our fathers.

3 ^f God's free mercy and love is the only fountain and beginning of the Church, Deut. 4.37.

4 ^g Because you are our King, therefore deliver your people from their misery.

5 ^h Because they and their forefathers made both one Church they apply that to themselves, which before they did attribute to their fathers.

9 ⁱ As they confessed before, that their strength came of God, so now they acknowledge that this affliction came by his just judgement.

10 ^l Or, at their pleasure.

11 ^{*}Rom. 8.36.

11 ^k Knowing God to be author of this calamity, they murmur not, but seek remedy at his hands, who wounded them.

12 ^l As slaves which are sold for a low price, neither look you for him that offers most, but takes the first chapman.

15 ^m I dare not lift up my head for shame.

16 ⁿ Meaning, the proud and cruel tyrant.

17 ^o They boast not of their virtues, but declare that they rest upon God in the middes of their afflictions: who punished not now their sins, but by hard afflictions called them to consideration of the heavenly joys.

19 ^l Or, whales: meaning the bottomless seas of tentations here we see the power of faith, which can be overcome by no peril.

hands to a ^pstrange god,
 21 Shal not God ^qsearch this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.
 22 Surely for thy sake ^rare we slain continually, and are counted as sheep for the slaughter.
 23 Up, why slepest thou, ^o Lord? awake, be not far off for ever.
 24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face? *and* forgettest our misery and our affliction?
 25 For our soul is ^sbeaten down unto the dust: our belly cleaveth unto the ground.
 26 Rise up for our succor, and redeem us for thy ^lmercie's sake.

PSAL. 45.

1 The majesty of Salomón, his honor, strength, beauty, riches and power are praised, and also his marriage with the Egyptian being an heathen woman is blessed. 10 If that she can renounce her people and the love of her country and give herself wholly to her husband. Under the which figure the wonderful majesty and increase of the kingdom of Christ and the Church his spouse now taken of the Gentiles is described.

¶ *To him that excelleth on ^aShoshannim a song of ^blove to give instruction, committed to the sons of Kórah.*

Mine heart will utter forth a good matter: I will entreat *in* my works of the King: my tongue *is* as the pen of a swift writer.

2 Thou art ^cfairer then the children of men: grace is poured in thy lips, because God hath blessed thee for ever.
 3 Gird thy sword upon *thy* thigh, ^o most mighty, *to wit*, thy worship and thy glory,
 4 And prosper with thy glory: ^dride upon the word of truth and of meekness and of righteousness: so thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.
 5 Thine arrows *are* sharp *to pierce* the heart of the King's enemies: *therefore* the people shall fall under thee.
 6 Thy ^ethrone, ^o God, *is* for ever and ever: the scepter of thy kingdom *is* a scepter of righteousness.
 7 Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness, because God, *even* thy God hath ^fanointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
 8 All thy garments *smell* of myrrh and aloes, *and* cassia, *when thou comest* out of the ivory palaces, ^gwhere they have made thee glad.
 9 King's daughters *were* among thine honorable *wives*: upon thy

20 ^p They show that they honored God aright because they trusted in him alone.
 21 ^q They take God to witness that they were upright to himward.
 22 ^r The faithful make this their comfort, that the wicked punish them not for their sins, but for God's cause, Mat. 5.10, 1 Pet. 4.14.
 25 ^s There is no hope of recovery, except you put to your hand and raise us up.
 26 ^t Which is the only and sufficient ransom to deliver both body and soul from all kind of slavery and misery.

Psalm 45

a This was a certain tune or instrument.
 b Of that perfect love that ought to be between the husband and the wife.
 2 c Solomon's beauty and eloquence to win favor with his people, and his power to overcome his enemies, is here described.
 4 d He alludes to them that ride in chariots in their triumphs, showing that the quiet state of a kingdom stands in truth, meekness and justice, not in worldly pomp and vanity.
 6 e Under this figure of this kingdom of justice is set forth the everlasting kingdom of Christ.
 7 f Has established your kingdom as the figure of Christ, which is the peace and joy of the Church.
 8 g In the which palace the people made you joyful to see them give thanks and rejoice for you.

right hand did stand the ^hQueen in a vesture of gold of Ophír.
 10 ⁱHearken, ^o daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear: forget also thine own people and thy father's house.
 11 So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty: for he is thy Lord, and reverence thou him.
 12 And the ^kdaughter of [^]Tyrus *with* the rich of the people shall do homage before thy face with presents.
 13 The King's daughter is all glorious ^lwithin: her clothing is of broydered gold.
 14 She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needle work: the virgins *that follow* after her, *and* her companions shall be brought unto thee.
 15 With joy and gladness shall they be brought, *and* shall enter into the King's palace.
 16 In stead of thy fathers shall thy ^mchildren be: thou shalt make them princes ⁿthrough all the earth.
 17 I will make thy ^oName to be remembered through all generations: therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee world without end.

PSAL. 46.

1 A song of triumph or thanksgiving for the deliverance of Jerusalém, after Sennaherib with his armie was driven awaie, or some other like sudden and marvelous deliverance by the mightie hand of God. 8 Whereby the Prophet commending this great benefit, doeth exhort the faithful to give them selves wholly into the hand of God, douting nothing but that under his protection they shal be safe against all the assaults of their enemies, because this is his delite to asswage the rage of the wicked, when they are most busie against the just.

¶ *To him that excelleth upon ^aAlamóth a song committed to the sons of Kórah.*

God is our [^]hope & strength, *and* help in ^btroubles, readie to be found. 2 Therefore wil not we ^cfear, though the earth be moved, & though the mountains fall into the middes of the sea. 3 *Though* the waters thereof ^drage *and* be troubled *and* the mountains shake at the surges of the same. Sélah. 4 *Yet there is* a ^eRiver, whose streams shall make glad the City of God: *even* the Sanctuary of the Tabernacles of the most High. 5 God *is* in the middes of it: *therefore* shal it not be moved: God

9 ^h Though he had many King's daughters among his wives, yet he loved Pharaoh's daughter best.
 10 ⁱ Under the figure of Pharaoh's daughter he shows that the Church must cast off all carnal affections to obey Christ only.
 12 ^k He signifies that divers of them, that be rich, shall be benefactors to the Church, albeit they give not perfect obedience to the Gospel.
 12 [^]Or, Zor.
 13 ^l There is nothing fained, nor hypocritical, but she is glorious both within and without: and howbeit the Church has not at all times this outward glory, the fault is to be imputed only to their own ingratitude.
 16 ^m They shall have greater graces then their fathers.
 16 ⁿ He signifies the great compass of Christ's kingdom, which shall be sufficient to enrich all his members.
 17 ^o This must only be referred to Christ and not to Solomon.

Psalm 46

a Which was either a musical instrument or a solemn tune, unto the which this psalm was sung.
 1 [^]Or, protection.
 1 b In all manner of troubles God shows his speedy mercy and power in defending his.
 2 c That is, we will not be overcome with fear.
 3 d Though the afflictions rage never so much, yet the rivers of God's mercies bring sufficient comfort to his.
 4 e The river of Shiloah, which passed through Jerusalem: meaning though the defense seem never so small, yet if God has appointed it, it is sufficient.

shall help it ^fvery early

6 *When* the nations raged, *and* the kingdoms were moved, *God* [^]thundered, *and* the earth melted.

7 The Lord of hostes *is* ⁹with us: the God of Jaakób *is* our refuge. Sélah.

8 Come, *and* behold the works of the Lord, ^hwhat desolations he hath made in the earth.

9 He maketh wars to cease unto the ends of the world: he breaketh the bow and cutteth the spear, *and* burneth the chariots with fire.

10 Be ⁱstill and know that I am God: I wil be exalted among the heathen, *and* I wil be exalted in the earth.

11 The Lord of hostes *is* with us: the God of Jaakób *is* our refuge. Sélah.

PSAL. 47.

1 The Prophet exhorteth all people to the worship of the true and everliving God, commending the mercie of God toward the posterity of Jaakób 9 *And after prophecieth of the kingdom of Christ in this time of the Gospel.*

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalm committed to the sons of Kórah.*

ALl people ^aclap your hands: sing loud unto God with a joyful voice. 2 For the Lord *is* high, *and* terrible: a great King over all the earth.

3 He hath ^bsubdued the people under us, and the nations under our feet.

4 He hath chosen ^cour inheritance for us: *even* the glorie of Jaakób whom he loved. Sélah.

5 God *is* gone up with triumph, *even* the Lord, with the ^dsound of the trumpet.

6 Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises unto our King, sing praises.

7 For God *is* the King of all the earth: sing praises *every one* that hath ^eunderstanding.

8 God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon his holie throne.

9 The princes of the people are gathered unto the people of the God of Abrahám: for the shields of the world *belong* to God: he ^fis greatly to be exalted.

PSAL. 48.

1 A notable deliverance of Jerusalém from the hand of many Kings is mentioned, for the which thanks are given to God, and

5 ^f Always when need requires.

6 [^]Ebr., gave his voice.

7 ^g They are assured that God can and will defend his Church from all dangers and enemies.

8 ^h To wit, how oft he has destroyed his enemies & delivered his people.

10 ⁱ He warns them that persecute the Church to cease their cruelty: for els they shall feel that God is too strong for them, against whom they fight.

Psalm 47

1 ^a Here is figured Christ, unto whom all his should give willing obedience, and who would show himself terrible to the wicked.

3 ^b He has made the Jews, who were the keepers of the Law and Prophets, schoolmasters to the Gentiles, that they should with gladness obey them.

4 ^c God has chosen us above all other nations to enjoy a most glorious inheritance.

5 ^d He does allude unto the trumpets, that were blown at solemn feasts: but he does further signify the triumph of Christ and his glorious ascension into the heavens.

7 ^e He requires that understanding be joined with singing, lest the Name of God be profaned with vain crying.

9 ^f He praises God's highness, for that he joined the great princes of the world, whom he calls shields to the fellowship of his Church.

the state of that citie is praised, that hath God so presently at all times readie to defend them. The Psalme semeth to be made in the time of Aház, Joshaphát, Asá or Ezechiáh: for in their times chiefly was the citie by foren princes assalted.

¶ ^a A song or Psalme committed to the sonnes of Kórah. 44

Great *is* the Lord, and greatly to be praised, in the ^bCitie of our God, *even* upon his holie Mountaine. 2 Mount Zión, *lying* Northward, *is* faire in situation: *it is* the ^cjoye of the whole earth, *and* the citie of the great King.

3 In the palaces thereof God *is* knowen for a ^drefuge.

4 For lo, the Kings were ^egathered, *and* went together.

5 When they saw ^fit, they marveled: they were astonied, *and* suddenly driven back.

6 Fear came there upon them, *and* sorrow, as upon a woman in travail.

7 As with an East wind thou breakest the ships ⁹of Tarshish, so were they destroyed.

8 As we have ^hheard, so have we seen in the Citie of the Lord of hostes, in the Citie of our God: God wil stablish it for ever. Sélah.

9 We wait for thy loving kindness, ô God, in the middes of thy Temple.

10 O God, according unto thy Name, so *is* thy praise unto the ⁱworld's end: thy right hand *is* full of righteousness.

11 Let ^kmount Zión rejoice, *and* the daughters of Judáh be glad, because of thy judgements.

12 ^lCompass about Zión, and go round about it, *and* tell the towers thereof.

13 Marke well the wall thereof: behold her towers, that ye may tell your posterity.

14 For this God *is* our God for ever and ever: he shall be our guide unto the death.

PSAL. 49.

1 The holie Gost calleth all men to the consideration of man's life, 7 Shewing them not to be most blessed, that are most wealthie, & therefore not to be feared: but contrary wise he lifeth up our minds to consider how all things are ruled by God's providence: 14 Who as he judgeth these worldly misers to everlasting torments, 15 So doeth he preserve his and will reward them in the day of the resurrection, 2 Thess. 1.6.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A psalme committed to the sonnes of Kórah.*

a Some put this difference between a song and Psalm, saying that it is called a song, when there is no instrument, but the voice: and the psalm, the contrary. The song of the Psalm is when the instruments begin, and the voice follows. The Psalm of the song, the contrary.

1 ^b Albeit God shows his wonders through all the world, yet he will be chiefly praised in his Church.

2 ^c Because the word of salvation came thence to all them that should believe.

3 ^d Except God were the defense thereof, neither situation nor munition could prevail.

4 ^e They conspired and went against God's people.

5 ^f The enemies were afraid at the sight of the City.

7 ^g That is, of Cilicia, or of the sea called Mediterraneum.

8 ^h To wit, of our fathers, so have we proven: or, God has performed his promise.

10 ⁱ In all places where your Name shall be heard of, men shall praise you, when they hear of your marvelous works.

11 ^k Let Jerusalem and the cities of Judea rejoice for your just judgements against your enemies.

12 ^l For in this outward defense and strength God's blessings did also appear: but the chief is to be referred to God's favor and secret defense, who never leaves his.

Hear ^athis, all ye people: give ear, all ye that dwell in the world, ²Aswel low as high, both rich and poor.
³My mouth shal speak of wisdom, and the meditation of mine heart *is* of knowledge.
⁴I wil incline mine ear to a parable, *and* utter my grave matter upon the harp.
⁵Wherefore should I ^bfear in the evil days, *when* iniquity shal compass me about, *as at* mine heels?
⁶They trust in their ^cgoods, and boast them selves in the multitude of their riches.
⁷Yet a man can by no means redeem *his* brother: he can not give his ransom to God,
⁸(So ^dprecious is the redemption of their souls, ^eand the continuance for ever)
⁹That he may live still for ever, *and* not see the grave.
¹⁰For he seeth that wisemen ^fdie, *and* also that the ignorant and foolish perish, and leave their riches for ^gothers.
¹¹*Yet* they think, their houses, *and* their habitations *shal continue* for ever, *even* from generation to generation, and ^hcall *their* lands by their names.
¹²But man shal not continue in honor: he is like the ^bbeasts *that* die.
¹³This their way *uttereth* their foolishness: *yet* their posterity ⁱdelite in their talk. Sélah.
¹⁴^kLike sheep they lie in grave: ^ldeath devoureth them, and the righteous shal have domination over them in the ^mmorning: for their beauty shal consume, *when they shal go* from their house to grave.
¹⁵But God shal deliver my soul from the power of the grave: ⁿfor he will receive me. Sélah.
¹⁶Be not thou afraid when one is made rich, *and* when the glory of his house is increased.
¹⁷*For he shal take nothing away when he dyeth, neither shal his pomp descend after him.
¹⁸For while he lived, ^ohe rejoiced him self: and ^mmen will praise thee, when thou makest much of thy self.
¹⁹^oHe shal enter into the generation of his fathers, ^oand they shal not live for ever.
²⁰Man *is* in honour, and ^punderstandeth not: he is like to beasts

¹ a He will entreat how God governs the world by his providence which cannot be perceived by the judgment of the flesh.
² b Though wickedness reign & enemies rage, seeing God will execute his judgments against the wicked in time convenient.
³ c To trust in riches is more madness, seeing they can neither restore life nor prolong it.
⁴ d That is, so rare, or not to be found, as prophecy was precious in the days of Eli, 1 Sam. 3.1.
⁵ e Meaning, it is impossible to live for ever: also that life and death are only in God's hands.
⁶ f In that that death makes no difference between the persons.
⁷ g That is, not to their children, but to strangers. Yet the wicked profit not by their examples, but still dream an immortality on earth.
⁸ h Or, labor that their name may be famous in earth.
⁹ i As touching the death of the body.
¹⁰ j They speak and do the same thing that their fathers did.
¹¹ k As sheep are gathered into the fold, so shall they be brought to the grave.
¹² l Because they have no part of life everlasting.
¹³ m Christ's coming is as the morning, when the elect shall reign with Christ their head over the wicked.
¹⁴ n Or, because he has received me.
¹⁵ o *Job 27.19, 1 Tim. 6.7.
¹⁶ p Æbr., he blessed his soul.
¹⁷ m The flatters praise them that live in delites and pleasures.
¹⁸ n Or, his soul.
¹⁹ o And not pass the term appointed for life.
²⁰ p Both they and their fathers shall live here but a while and at length die for ever.
²¹ q He condemns man's ingratitude, who having received excellent gifts of God, abuses them like a beast to his own condemnation.

that perish.

PSAL. 50.

1 Because the Chrch is alwaie ful of hypocrites, 8 Which do imagine that God wilbe worshiped with outward ceremonies only, without the heart: and especially the Jews were of this opinion, because of their figures and ceremonies of the Law, thinking that their sacrifices were sufficient, 21 Therefore the Prophet doeth reprove this gross error, and pronounceth the Name of God to be blasphemed, where holiness is set in ceremonies. 23 For he declareth the worship of God to be spiritual, whereof are two principal parts, invocation, and thanksgiving.

¶ A Psalme of ^aAsáph.

THe God of gods, *even* the Lord hath spoken and called the ^bearth from the rising up of the sun unto the going down thereof. ²Out of Zíón, *which is* the ^cperfection of beauty, hath God shined.
³Our God shal come and shal not kepe silence, ^da fyre shal devoure before him, and a mightie tempest shal be moved round about him.
⁴He shal call the heaven above, and ^ethe earth to judge his people.
⁵Gather my ^fSaints together unto me, those that make a covenant with me with ^gsacrifice.
⁶And the heavens shal declare his righteousness: for God is Judge him self. Sélah.
⁷Hear, ô my people, and I will speak: *hear*, ô Israël, and I wil testifie unto thee, *for* I am God, *even* thy God.
⁸I wil not ^hreprove thee for thy sacrifices, or thy burnt offrings, *that have not been* continually before me.
⁹I wil take no bullock out of thine house, *nor* goates out of thy foldes.
¹⁰ⁱFor all the beasts of the forest are mine, *and* the beasts on a thousand mountains.
¹¹I know all the foules on the mountains: and the wilde beasts of the field are mine.
¹²If I be hungry, I wil not tel thee: for the world is mine, and all that therein is.
¹³^kWil I eat the flesh of bulls? or drink the blood of goates?
¹⁴Offer unto God praise, and ^lpaie thy vows unto the most High,
¹⁵And call upon me in the daie of trouble: so wil I deliver thee, and thou shalt glorifie me.
¹⁶But unto the wicked said God, ^mWhat hast thou to do to

a Who was either the author, or a chief singer, to whom it was committed.

1 b To plead against his dissembling people before heaven and earth.
2 c Because God had chosen it to have his Name there called upon, and also his image shined there in the doctrine of the Law.
3 d As when God gave his Law in mount Sinai, he appeared terrible with thunder and tempest, so will he appear terrible to take a count for the keeping thereof.
4 e As witnesses against the hypocrites.
5 f God in respect of his elect, calls the whole body holy, Saints and his people.
6 g Which should know that sacrifices are seals of the covenant between God and his people, and not set religion therein.
8 h For I pass not for sacrifices, except the true use be there, which is to confirm your faith in my promises.
10 i Though he did delite in sacrifice, yet had he no need of man's help thereunto.
13 k Though man's life for the infirmity thereof has need of food, yet God, whose life quickens all the world, has no need of such measures.
14 l Show yourself mindful of God's benefits by thanksgiving.
16 m Why do you fain to be of my people and talk of my covenant, seeing you are but an hypocrite?

declare mine ordinances, that thou shuldest take my covenant in thy mouth,

17 Seing thou hatest ⁿto be reformed, and hast cast my words behind thee?

18 For when thou seest a thief, ^othou runnest with him, and thou art partaker with the adulterers.

19 Thou givest thy mouth to evil, and with thy tongue thou forgest deceit.

20 Thou ^psittest, & speakest against thy brother, & sclanderest thy mother's son.

21 These things hast thou done, and I held my tongue: *therefore* thou thogtest that I was like thee: *but* I wil reprove thee, and ^qset *them* in order before thee.

22 Oh consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear you in pieces, and there be none that can deliver *you*.

23 He that offereth ^rpraise, shal glorifie me: and to him, that ^sdisposeth his way *aright*, wil I ^shewe the salvation of God.

PSAL. 51.

1 When David was rebuked by the Prophet Nathán, for his great offences, he did not only acknowledge the same to God with protestation of his natural corruption and iniquity, but also left a memorial thereof to his posterity, 7 Therefore first he desireth God to forgive his sins, 10 And to renew in him his holie Spirit, 13 With promise that he wil not be unmindul of those great graces. 18 Finally fearing lest God would punish the whole Church for his faute, he requireth that he would rather increase his graces towards the same.

¶ *To him that excelleth, A psalme of David, when the Prophet Nathán ^acame unto him, after he had gone in to Beth-shéba.*

Have mercie upon me, ô God, ^baccording to thy loving kindness: according to the multitude of thy compassions put away mine iniquities.

2 Wash me ^cthroughly from mine iniquitie, and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I ^dknow mine iniquities, and my sin *is* ever before me.

4 Against thee, against thee only have I sinned, and done evil in thy sight, that thou maiest be just when thou ^espeakest, and pure when thou judgest.

5 Behold, I was born in iniquity, and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

6 Behold, thou ^flovest truth in the inward affections: therefore hast thou taught me wisdom in the secret of *mine heart*.

17 ⁿ And to live according to my word.

18 ^o He shows what are the fruits of them that contemn God's word.

20 ^p He notes the cruelty of hypocrites, which spare not in their talk or judgment their own mother's son.

21 ^q I will write all your wicked deeds in a roll and make you to read and acknowledge them whether you will or no.

23 ^r Under the which is contained faith and invocation.

23 ^s As God has appointed.

23 ^t That is, declare myself to be his Savior.

Psalm 51

a To reprove him because he had committed so horrible sins, and lain in the same without repentance more than a whole year.

1 b As his sins were manifold and great, so he requires that God would give him the feeling of his excellent and abundant mercies.

2 c My sins stick so fast in me, that I have need of some singular kind of washing.

3 d My conscience accuses me, so that I can have no rest, till I be reconciled.

4 e When you give sentence against sinners, they must needs confess you to be just and themselves sinners.

6 f He confesses that God, who loves pureness of heart, may justly destroy man, who of nature is a sinner, much more him, whom he had instructed in his heavenly wisdom.

7 Purge me with ^{*}hyssop, and I shal be clean: wash me, and I shalbe whiter then snow.

8 Make me to hear ^gjoy and gladnes, *that* the ^hbones, *which* thou hast broken, may rejoyce.

9 Hide thy face from my sins, and put away all mine iniquities.

10 ⁱCreate in me a cleane heart, ô God, and renew a right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not awaie from thy presence, and take not thine holie Spirit from me.

12 Restore to me the joy of thy salvation, and stablish me with *thy* ^kfree Spirit.

13 *Then* shal I teach thy ^lways unto the wicked, and sinners shal be converted unto thee.

14 Deliver me from ^mblood, ô God, *which art* the God of my salvation, *and* my tongue shal sing joyfully of thy righteousness.

15 ⁿOpen thou my lips, ô Lord, and my mouth shal shewe forth thy praise.

16 For thou desirest no sacrifice, though I would give it: thou delitest not in burnt offering.

17 The sacrifices of God *are* a ^ocontrite spirit: a contrite and a broken heart, ô God, thou wilt not despise.

18 Be favorable unto ^pZiôn for thy good pleasure: build the walls of Jerusalém.

19 Then shal thou accept the sacrifices of ^qrighteousness, *even* the burnt offering and oblation: then shal they offer calves upon thine altar.

PSAL. 52.

1 David describeth the arrogant tyrannie of his adversarie Doeg, who by false surmises caused Ahimélech with the rest of the Priests to be slayne 5 David prophecieth his destruction, 6 And encourageth the faithful to put their confidence in God, whose judgements are most sharp against his adversaries, 9 And finally he rendreth thanks to God for his deliverance. In this Psalme is lively set forth the kingdom of Antichrist.

¶ *To him that excelleth, A Psalme of David to give instruction. When Doeg the Edomite came and shewed Saúl, and said to him, David is come to the house of Ahimélech.*

Why boastest thou thy self in *thy* wickedness, ô ^aman of power, the loving kindness of God *endureth* daily. 2 Thy tongue imagineth ^bmischiefe, *and is* like a sharp razor, that cutteth deceitfully.

3 Thou doest love evil more then good, *and* lies, more then to

7 ^{*} Lev. 14.6.

8 ^g He means God's comfortable mercies towards repentant sinners.

8 ^h By the bones he understands all strength of soul and body, which by cares and mourning are consumed.

10 ⁱ He confesses that when God's Spirit is cold in us, to have it again renewed is as a new creation.

12 ^k Which may assure me that I am drawn out of the slavery of sin.

13 ^l He promises to endeavor that others by his example may turn to God.

14 ^m From the murder of Uriah, and the others that were slain with him, 2 Sam. 11.17

15 ⁿ By giving me occasion to praise you, when you shall forgive my sins.

17 ^o Which is a wounding of the heart, proceeding of faith, which seeks unto God for mercy.

18 ^p He prays for the whole Church, because through his sin it was in danger of God's judgement.

19 ^q That is, just and lawful, applied to their right end, which is the exercise of faith and repentance.

Psalm 52

1 a O Doeg, which has credit with the tyrant Saul, and has power to murder the Saints of God.

2 b Your malice moves you by crafty flatteries and lies to accuse and destroy the innocent.

speak the [^]truth. Sélah.

4 Thou lovest all words that may destroy, ^ô deceitful tongue!

5 So shal God [°]destroy thee for ever: he shal take thee and pluck thee out of *thy* tabernacle, and ^droot thee out of the land of the living. Sélah.

6 The ^erighteous also shal see it, ^fand fear, and shal laugh at him, *saying*,

7 Behold the man that took not God for his strength, but trusted unto the multitude of his riches, *and* put his strength [^]in his malice.

8 But I shalbe like a ^ggreen olive tre in the house of God: *for* I trusted in the mercy of God for ever and ever.

9 I wil always praise thee, for that thou hast done ^h*this*, and I wil [^]hope in thy Name, because it is good before thy Saints.

PSAL. 53.

1 He describeth the crooked nature, 4 The crueltie, 5 And punishment of the wicked, when they look not for it, 6 And desireth the deliverance of the godlie, that they maie rejoice together.

¶ *To him that excelleth on ^aMahaláth. A Psalme of David to give instruction.*

THe fool hath said in his heart, *There is* ^bno God, they have corrupted and done abominable wickedness: *there is* none that doeth good.

2 God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that would understand, and [°]seek God.

3 ^{*}Everie one is gone back: they are altogether corrupt: there is none that doeth good, no not one.

4 Do not the ^dworkers of iniquitie know that they eat up my people as they eat bread? they call not upon God.

5 There they were afraid for fear, *where* no ^efear was: for God hath scattered the ^fbones of him that besieged thee: thou hast put them to confusion, because God hath cast them off.

6 Oh give salvation unto Israél out of Zíón: when God turneth the captivitie of his people, *then* Jaakób shal rejoice, and Israél shal be glad.

PSAL. 54.

1 David brought into great danger by the reason of the Ziphims, 5 Calleth upon the Name of God to destroy his enemies, 6

3 [^]Ebr., righteousness.

5 c Though God forbear for a time, yet at length he will recompense your falsehood.

5 d Albeit you seem to be never so sure settled.

6 e For the eyes of the reprobate are shut up at God's judgments.

6 f With joyful reverence, seeing that he takes their part against the wicked.

7 [^]Or, in his substance.

8 g He rejoices to have a place among the servants of God, that he may grow in the knowledge of godliness.

9 h Executed this vengeance.

9 [^]Or, wait upon your grace and promise.

Psalm 53

a Which was an instrument or kind of note.

1 b Where as no regard is had of honesty or dishonesty, of virtue nor of vice, there the Prophet pronounces that the people have no God.

2 c Whereby he condemns all knowledge and understanding, that tends not to seek God.

3 ^{*}Rom. 3.10.

4 d David pronounces God's vengeance against cruel governors, who having charge to defend and preserve God's people, do most cruelly devour them.

5 e When they thought there was none occasion to fear, the sudden vengeance of God lighted upon them.

5 f Be the enemies's power never so great, nor the danger so fearful, yet God delivers his in due time.

Promising sacrifice and free offerings for so great deliverance.

¶ *To him that excelleth on Neginóth. A Psalme of David, to give instruction. When the ^{*}Ziphims came and said unto Saúl, Is not David hid among us?*

SAve me, ^ô God, ^aby thy Name, and by thy power judge me.
2 O God, hear my prayer: hearken unto the words of my mouth.

3 For ^bstrangers are risen up against me, and [°]tyrants seek my soul: they have not set God before them. Sélah.

4 Behold, God *is* mine helper: the Lord *is* with ^dthem that uphold my soul.

5 He shal reward evil unto mine enemies: oh cut them off in thy ^etruth!

6 *Then* I will sacrifice ^ffreely unto thee: I will praise thy Name, ^ô Lord, because it is good

7 For he hath delivered me out of all trouble, and mine eye hath ^gseen *my desire* upon mine enemies.

PSAL. 55.

1 David being in great heaviness and distress complaineth of the crueltie of Saúl, 13 And of the falsehood of his familiar acquaintance, 17 Uttering most ardent affections to move the Lord to pitie him. 22 After being assured of deliverance, he setteth forth the grace of God as though he had already obtained his request.

¶ *To him that excelleth on Neginóth. A Psalm of David to give instruction.*

HEar ^amy prayer, ^ô God, and hide not thy self from my supplication. 2 Hearken unto me, and answer me: I mourn in my prayer, and make a noise,

3 For the ^bvoyce of the enemy, *and* for the vexation of the wicked, because [°]they have brought iniquitie upon me, and furiously hate me.

4 Mine heart trembleth within me, and the terrors of death are fallen upon me.

5 Fear and trembling are come upon me, and an horrible fear hath ^dcovered me.

6 And I said, Oh that I had wings like a doove: then would I ^eflie away and rest.

7 Behold, I would take my flight far off, *and* lodge in the wilderness, Sélah.

8 He would make hast for my deliverance ^ffrom the stormie wind and tempest.

Psalm 54

^{*}1 Sam. 23.19.

1 a He declares that when all means do fail, God will deliver, even as it were by miracle them that call unto him with an upright conscience.

3 b To wit, the Ziphims.

3 c Saul and his army, which were like cruel beasts and could not be satisfied but by his death.

4 d Be they never so few, as he was with Jonathan.

5 e According to your faithful promise for my defense.

6 f For hypocrites serve God for fear, or upon conditions.

7 g We may lawfully rejoice for God's judgements against the wicked, if our affections be pure.

Psalm 55

1 a The earnestness of his prayer declares the vehemencie of his grief, in so much as he is compelled to burst out into cries.

3 b For the threatenings of Saul and his adherents.

3 c They have diffamed me as a wicked person: or, they have imagined my destruction.

5 d There was no part of him that was not astonied with extreme fear.

6 e Fear had driven him to so great distress, that he wished to be hid in some wilderness, and to be banished from that kingdom, which God had promised that he should enjoy.

8 f From the cruel rage and tyranny of Saul

9 Destroy, ô Lord, *and* ^gdeuide their tongues: for I have seen crueltie and strife in the city.
 10 Day and night they go about it upon the walls thereof: both ^hiniquity and mischief *are* in the middes of it.
 11 Wickedness *is* in the middes thereof: deceit and guile depart not from her streets.
 12 Surely mine ⁱenemie did not diffame me: for I could have born it, neither did mine adversarie exalt him self against me: for I would have hid me from him.
 13 But *it was* thou, ô man, even my ^kcompanion, my guide and my familiar:
 14 Which delited in consulting together, *and* went into the House of God as companions.
 15 Let death seize upon them: let them ^lgo down quick into the grave: for wickedness *is* in their dwellings, *even* in the middes of them.
 16 *But* I will call unto God, and the Lord will save me.
 17 Evening and morning, and at noon will I pray, ^mand make a noise, and he will hear my voyce.
 18 He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle, *that was* against me: for ⁿmanie were with me.
 19 God shal hear and afflict them, even he that reigneth of old, Sélah. because they ^ohave no changes, therefore they fear not God.
 20 He ^played his hand upon such, as be at peace with him, *and* he brake his covenant.
 21 *The words* of his mouth were softer then butter, yet war was in his heart: his words were more gentle then oyle, yet they were swords.
 22 Cast thy ^qburden upon the Lord, and he shal nourish thee: he wil not suffer the righteous to fall for ^rever.
 23 And thou, ô God, shalt bring them down into the pit of corruption: the bloodie, and deceitful men shal not live ^shalf their days: but I will trust in thee.

PSAL. 56.

1 David being brought to Achish the King of Gath, 1 Sam. 21.12, complaineth of his enemies, demandeth succor, 3 Putteth his trust in God and in his promises, 12 And promiseth to perform his vows which he had taken upon him, whereof this was the effect to praise God in his Church.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David on Michtám, concerning the ^adumme doove in a far country, when the Philistims took him in Gath.*

9 g As in the confusion of Babylon, when the wicked conspired against God.
 10 h All laws and good orders are broken, and only vice and dissolution reigns under Saul.
 12 i If my open enemy had sought my hurt, I could the better have avoided him.
 13 k Which was not only joined to me in friendship and counsel in worldly matters, but also in religion.
 15 l As Korah, Dathan and Abiram, Num. 16.32.
 17 m Which signifies a fervent mind and sure trust to obtain his petition, which thing made him earnest at all times in prayer.
 18 n Even the Angels of God fought on my side against my enemies, 2 Kings 6.16.
 19 o But their prosperous estate still continues.
 20 p I did not provoke him, but was at peace with him, yet he made war against me.
 22 ^qOr gift: to wit, which you would that God should give you.
 22 q Though for their bettering and trial he suffer them to slip for a time.
 23 r Though they sometimes live longer, yet their life is cursed of God, unquiet and worse then any death.

Psalm 56

a Being chased by the fury of his enemies into a strange country, he was as a dumb dove, not seeking revenge.

BE merciful unto me, ô God, for ^bman would swallow me up: ^che fighteth continually *and* vexeth me. ⁵²
 2 Mine enemies would daily swallow me up: for many fight against me, ô thou most High.
 3 When I was afraid, I trusted in thee.
 4 I wil rejoyce in God, *because* of his ^cword, I trust in God, *and* wil not fear what flesh can do unto me.
 5 Mine own ^dwords grieve *me* daily: all their thoughts *are* against me to do me hurt.
 6 ^eThey gather together, and keep them selves close: they mark my steps, because they wait for my soul.
 7 ^fThey *think* they shal escape by iniquity: ô God, cast *these* people down in *thine* anger.
 8 Thou hast counted my wanderings: put my ^gtears into thy bottle: are they not in thy register?
 9 When I cry, then mine enemies shal turn back: this I know, for God *is* with me.
 10 I will rejoyce in God *because* of *his* word: in the Lord will I rejoyce *because* of *his* word.
 11 In God do I trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.
 12 ^hThy vows *are* upon me, ô God: I will render praises unto thee.
 13 For thou hast delivered my soul from death, and also my feet from falling, that I may ⁱwalk before God in the ^klight of the living.

PSAL. 57.

1 David being in the desert of Ziph, where the inhabitants did betray him, and at length in the same cave with Saul, 2 Calleth most earnestly unto God with full confidence, that he will perform his promise and take his cause in hand: 5 Also that he will shew his glory in the heavens and the earth against his cruel enemies. 9 Therefore doeth he render laud and praise.

¶ *To him that excelleth. ^aDestroy not. A Psalme of David on Michtám. ^{*}When he fled from Saúl in the cave.*

HAve mercie upon me, ô God, have mercie upon me: for my ^asoul trusteth in thee, and in the shadow of thy wings will I ^btrust, till *these* ^bafflictions overpass.
 2 I will call unto the most high God, *even* to the God, that ^cpreformeth *his promise* toward me.
 3 He will send from ^dheaven, and save me from the reproof of him that would swallow me, Sélah. God will send his mercie, and

1 b He shows that it is either now time, or never, that God help him: for all the world is against him and ready to devour him.
 4 c He stays his conscience upon God's promise, though he see not present help.
 5 d All my counsels have evil success and turn to my own sorrow.
 6 e As all the world against one man, and cannot be satiate, except they have my life.
 7 f They think not only to escape punishment, but the more wicked they are, the more impudent they wax.
 8 g If God keep the tears of his Saints in store, much more will he remember their blood to avenge it: and though tyrants burn the bones, yet can they not blot the tears and blood out of God's register.
 12 h Having received that which I required, I am bound to pay my vows of thanksgiving.
 13 i As mindful of his great mercies, and giving him thanks for the same.
 13 k That is, in this life and light of the sun.

Psalm 57

a This was either the beginning of a certain song, or the words, which David uttered, when he stayed his affection.

*1 Sam. 24.4.

1 ^aÔr, dwell most safely.

1 b He compares the afflictions, which God lays upon his children, to a storm, that comes and goes.

2 c Who leaves not his works begun unperfect .

3 d He would rather deliver me by a miracle, then that I should be overcome.

his truth.

4 My soul *is* among lions: I lie *among* the children of men, that are set on fire: whose teeth *are* ^espears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword. ⁵³

5 ^fExalt thy self, ^gô God, above the heavens, *and* let thy glory *be* upon all the earth.

6 They have layed a net for my steps: ⁹my soul is pressed down: they have digged a pit before me, *and* are fallen into the middes of it ^hSélah.

7 Mine heart is ^hprepared, ^gô God, mine heart is prepared: I will sing and give praise.

8 Awake my ⁱtongue, awake viole and harp: I will awake early.

9 I will praise thee, ^gô Lord, among the people, *and* I will sing unto thee among the nations.

10 For thy ^jmercie is great unto the heavens, *and* thy ^ktrueth unto the ^kclouds.

11 Exalt thy self, ^gô God, above the heavens, *and* let thy glorie *be* upon all the earth.

PSAL. 58.

1 He describeth the malice of his enemies, the flatterers of Saúl, who both secretly and openly sought his destruction, from whom he appealeth to God's judgement, 10 Shewing that the just shal rejoyce, when they see the punishment of the wicked to the glory of God.

¶ *To him that excelleth Destroy not.* A Psal. of David on *Michtám.*

IS it true? ^gô ^aCongregacion, speak ye justly? ^gô sonnes of men, judge ye uprightly? 2 Yea, rather ye imagine mischief in *your* heart: ^byour hands execute crueltie upon the earth.

3 The wicked ^care strangers from the womb: *even* from the belly have they erred, and speak lies.

4 Their poison is even like the poison of a serpent: like the deaf ^dadder *that* stoppeth his ear.

5 Which heareth not the voice of the inchanter, though he be most expert in charming.

6 Break their ^eteeth, ^gô God, in their mouths: break the jaws of the young lions, ^gô Lord.

7 Let them ^fmelt like the waters, let them pass away: when he shooteth his arrows, *let them be* as broken.

8 Let him consume like a snail that melteth, & *like* the untimelie fruit of a woman, *that* hath not seen the sun.

9 ^gAs raw flesh before your pots feel *the* fire of thornes: so let him carry them away as with a whirl wind in *his* wrath.

4 e He means their calumnies and false reports.

5 f Suffer me not to be destroyed to the contempt of your Name.

6 g For very fear, seeing the great dangers on all sides.

7 h That is, wholly bent to give you praise for my deliverance.

8 i He shows that both his heart shall praise God and his tongue shall confess him, and also that he will use other means to provoke himself forward to the same.

10 k Your mercies do not only appertain to the Jews, but also to the Gentiles.

Psalme 58

1 a You counselors of Saul, who under pretense of consulting for the common wealth conspire my death being an innocent.

2 b You are not ashamed to execute your cruelty publicly which you have imagined in your hearts.

3 c That is, enemies to the people of God even from their birth.

4 d They pass in malice, and subtlety the crafty serpent, which could preserve himself by stopping his ear from the enchanter.

6 e Take away all occasions and means, whereby they hurt.

7 f Considering God's divine power he shows that God in a moment can destroy their force, whereof they brag.

9 g As flesh is taken raw out of the pot before the water seethes: so he desires God to destroy their enterprises before they bring them to pass.

10 The righteous shal ^hrejoyce when he seeth the vengeance: he shal wash his feet in the ⁱblood of the wicked.

11 And men shal say, ^kVerely there is fruit for the righteous: doutles there is a God that judgeth in the earth.

PSAL. 59.

1 David being in great danger of Saúl, who sent to slay him in his bed, prayeth unto God: 3 Declareth his innocencie, and their furie. 5 Desiring God to destroy all those that sin of malicious wickedness 11 Whom though he keep alive for a time to exercise his people, yet in the end he will consume them in his wrath, 13 That he may be known to be the God of Jaakób to the end of the world. 16 For this he singeth praises to God, assured of his mercies.

¶ *To him that excelleth. Destroy not.* A Psalme of David on ^a*Mitcham.* *When Saúl sent and they did watch the house to kill him.

D My God, ^bdeliver me from mine enemies: defend me from them that rise up against me. 2 Deliver me from the wicked doers, and save me from the bloodie men.

3 For lo, they have layed wait for my soul: the mightie men are gathered against me, not for mine ^coffense, nor for my sin, ^gô Lord.

4 They run and prepare them selves without a *faute on my part*: arise *therefore* to assist me, and behold.

5 Even thou, ^gô Lord God of hosts, ^gô God of Israél awake to visit all the heathen, *and* be not ^dmerciful unto all that transgress maliciously. ^hSeláh.

6 They go to and fro in the evening: they bark like ^edogs, and go about the city.

7 Behold, they ^fbrag in their talk, *and* swords *are* in their lips: for Who, *say they*, doeth hear?

8 But thou, ^gô Lord, shalt have them in derision, *and* thou shalt laugh at all the heathen.

9 ^gHe is strong: *but* I will wait upon thee: for God *is* my defence.

10 My merciful God will ^hprevent me: God will let me see *my* desire upon mine enemies.

11 Slay them ⁱnot, lest my people forget it: *but* ^kscatter them abroad by thy power, and put them down, ^gô Lord our shield,

12 *For* the sin of their mouth, *and* the words of their lips: and let them be taken in their pride, even for their perversity and lies, *that* they speak.

10 h With a pure affection.

10 i Their punishment and slaughter shalbe so great.

11 k Seeing God governs all by his providence, he must needs put difference between the godly, and the wicked.

Psalme 59

a Read psalm 16.

*1 Sam. 19.11.

1 b Though his enemies were even at hand to destroy him, yet he assured himself that God had ways enough in his hand to deliver him.

3 c For I am innocent to them wards, and have not offended them.

5 d Seeing it appertains to God's judgments to punish the wicked, he desires God to execute his vengeance on the reprobate, who maliciously persecute his Church.

6 e He compares their cruelty to hungry dogs showing that they are never weary in doing evil.

7 f They boast openly of their wicked devises, and every word is as a sword for they neither fear God, nor are ashamed of men.

9 g Though Saul have never so great power, yet I know that you do bridle him: therefore will I patiently hope on you.

10 h He will not fail to succor me, when need requires.

11 i Altogether, but by little and little, that the people seeing often times your judgments may be mindful of you.

11 k That in their misery and shame they may be as glasses and examples of God's vengeance.

13 ^lConsume *them* in *thy* wrath: consume *them* that they be no more: and let them know that God ruleth in Jaakób, *even* unto the ends of the world. Sélah.

14 And in the evening they ^mshal go to and fro, *and* bark like dogs, and go about the city.

15 They shal run here and there for meat: *and* surely they shal not be satisfied, though they tarry all night.

16 But I wil sing of thy ⁿpower, and wil praise thy mercie in the morning: for thou hast been my defense and refuge in the day of my trouble.

17 Unto thee, ô my ^oStrength, wil I sing: for God is my defense, *and* my merciful God.

PSAL. 60.

1 David being now King over Judáh and having had many victories, sheweth by evident signs, that God elected him King, assuring the people that God will prosper them, if they approve the same 11 *After he praieth unto God to finish that that he hath begun.*

¶ *To him that excelleth upon ^aShushan Eduth, or Michtám. A Psal. of David to teach. *When he fought against Aram Naharaim, and against [^]Arám ^bZobáh, when Joab returned and slew twelve thousand Edomites in the salt valley.*

Ⓞ God, thou hast cast us out, thou hast ^cscattered us, thou hast been angry, turn again unto us. 2 Thou hast made the land to tremble, and hast made it to ^dgape: heal the breaches thereof, for it is shaken.

3 Thou hast ^eshewed thy people heavie things: thou hast made us to drink the wine of giddiness.

4 *But now* thou hast given ^fa banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of *thy* truth, Sélah.

5 That thy beloved may be delivered, help with thy right hand and hear me.

6 God hath spoken in his ^gholiness: *therefore* I will rejoyce: I shall divide Shechém, and measure the valley of Succóth.

7 Gileád *shalbe* mine, and Manasseh *shalbe* mine: Ephráim also *shalbe* the ^hstrenght of mine head: ⁱJudáh is my lawgiver.

8 Moáb *shalbe* my ^kwash pot: over Edóm wil I cast out my shoe: ^lPalestina shew thy self joyful for me.

13 ^l When your time shall come, and when they have sufficiently served for an example of your vengeance unto others.

14 ^m He mocks at their vain enterprises, being assured that they shall not bring their purpose to pass.

16 ⁿ Which did use the policy of a weak woman to confound the enemies' strength, as 1 Sam. 19.12.

17 ^o Confessing himself to be void of all virtue & strength, he attributes the whole to God.

Psalm 60

a These were certain songs after the note whereof this psalm was sung. *2 Sam. 8.1., 10.1., 1 Chron. 18.1.

[^]Or, Syria, called Mesopotamia.

b Called also Sophene which stands by Euphrates.

1 c For when Saul was not able to resist the enemy the people fled hither and thither: for they could not be safe in their own houses.

2 d As cleft with an earthquake.

3 e You have handled your people sharply in taking from them sense and judgment, in that they aided Saul the wicked King, and pursued him, to whom God had given the just title of the realm.

4 f In making me King, you have performed your promise, which seemed to have lost the force.

6 g It is so certain, as if it were spoken by an oracle, that I shall possess these places, which Saul had left to his children.

7 h For it was strong and well peopled.

7 i David means, that in this tribe his kingdom shalbe established, Gen. 49.10.

8 k In most vile subjection.

8 l For you will dissemble, and fain as though you were glad.

9 Who will lead me into the ^mstrong city? who will bring me unto Edóm?

10 Wilt not thou, ô God, *which* hadest cast us off, and didest not go forth, ô God, with our armies?

11 Give us help against trouble: for vain is the help of man.

12 Through God we shal do valiantly: for he shall tread down our enemies.

PSAL. 61.

1 Whether that he were in danger of the Ammonites, or being pursued of Absalóm, here he crieth to be heard and delivered, 7 And confirmed in his kingdom. 8 He promiseth perpetual praises.

¶ *To him that excelleth on Neginóth. A Psalme of David.*

Ⓞ Hear my cry, ô God: give ear unto my praier. 2 From ^athe ends of the earth wil I cry unto thee: when mine heart is opprest, bring me upon the rock that is ^bhigher than I.

3 For thou hast been mine hope, *and* a strong tower against theemie.

4 I will dwell in thy Tabernacle for ever, *and* my trust shal be under the covering of thy wings. Sélah.

5 For thou, ô God, ^chast heard my desires: thou hast given an heritage unto those that fear thy Name.

6 Thou shalt give the King a ^dlong life: his years *shalbe* as many ages.

7 He shal dwell before God for ever: prepare ^emercie and faithfulness *that* they may preserve him.

8 So wil I alway sing praise unto thy Name in performing daily my vows.

PSAL. 62.

This Psalme partely conteineth meditations, whereby David encourageth him self to trust in God against the assaults of tentations. And because our minds are easely drawn from God by the allurements of the world, he sharply reproveth this vanitie, to the intent he might cleave fast to the Lord.

¶ *To the excellent musician *Jeduthún, A Psalme of David.*

Ⓞ Et ^amy soul kepeth silence unto God: of him *cometh* my salvation. 2 ^bYet he is my strength and my salvation, *and* my defence: *therefore* I shal not much be moved.

3 How long wil ye imagine mischief against a ^cman? ye shalbe all slaine: *ye shalbe* as a bowed wall, *or* as a ^dwall shaken.

4 Yet they consult to cast him down from his dignitie: their delite is in lies, they bless with their mouths, but curse with their

9 ^m He was assured that God would give him the strong cities of his enemies wherein they thought themselves sure.

Psalm 61

2 a From the place, where I was banished, being driven out of the City and Temple by my son Absalom.

2 b Unto the which without your help I can not attain.

5 c There is nothing that does more strengthen our faith, then the remembrance of God's succor in times past.

6 d This chiefly is referred to Christ, who lives eternally not only in himself, but also in his members.

7 e For the stability of my kingdom stands in your mercy and truth.

Psalm 62

*1 Chro. 16.41.

1 a Though Satan tempted him to murmur against God, yet he bridled his affections, & resting upon God's promise, bears his cross patiently.

2 b It appears by the oft repetition of this word, that the Prophet abode manifold tentations, but by resting on God and by patience he overcame them all.

3 c He means himself, being the man whom God had appointed to the kingdom.

3 d Though you seem to be in honor, yet God will suddenly destroy you.

hearts. Sélah.

5 ^eYet my soul keep thou silence unto God: for mine hope *is* in him.

6 Yet is he my strength, and my salvacion, *and* my defence: *therefore* I shal not be moved.

7 In God *is* my salvacion and my ^fglorie, the rock of my strength: in God *is* my trust.

8 Trust in him alwaie, ye people: ^gpour out your hearts before him, *for* God *is* our hope. Sélah.

9 Yet the children of men *are* vanity, the chief men *are* lies: to lay them upon a balance they are altogether lighter then vanity.

10 Trust not in oppression nor in robbery: ^hbe not vain: if riches increase, set not your heart thereon.

11 God spake ⁱonce or twice, I have heard it, that power *belongeth* unto God,

12 And to thee, ô Lord, mercie: for thou ^krewardest every one according to his work.

PSAL. 63.

1 David, after he had been in great danger by Saúl in the desert of Ziph, made this psalme, 3 Wherein he giveth thanks to God for his wonderful deliverance, in whose mercies he trusted, even in the middes of his miseries, 9 Prophecying the destruction of God's enemies: 11 And contrariwise happiness to all them that trust in the Lord.

¶ *A Psalme of David. When he was in the ^awilderness of Judáh.*

Ⓟ God, thou art my God, early wil I seek thee: my soul ^bthirsteth for thee: my flesh longeth greatly after thee in a barren and dry land without water.

2 Thus ^cI behold thee as in the Sanctuarie, when I behold thy power and thy glory.

3 For thy loving kindness *is* better then life: *therefore* my lips shall praise thee.

4 Thus will I magnifie thee *all* my life, *and* lift up my hands in thy Name.

5 My soul shal be satisfied, as with ^dmarow and fatness, and my mouth shal praise *thee* with joyful lips,

6 When I remember thee on my bed, *and when* I think upon thee in the *night* watches.

7 Because thou hast been mine helper, therefore under the shadow of thy wings wil I rejoyce.

8 My soul ^ecleaveth unto thee: *for* thy right hand upholdeth me.

9 Therefore they that seek my soul to destroy it, they shal go into the lowest parts of the earth.

5 e David was greatly moved with these troubles: therefore he stirred up himself to trust in God.

7 f These vehement and often repetitions were necessary to strengthen his faith against the horrible assaults of Satan.

8 g He admonishes us of our wicked nature, which rather hide our sorrow, and bite on the bridle, then utter our grief to God to obtain remedy.

10 h Give yourselves wholly to God by putting away all things that are contrary to his Law.

11 i He has plainly born witness of his power, so that none needs to doubt thereof.

12 k So that the wicked shall feel your power, and the godly your mercy.

Psalme 63

a To wit, of Ziph, 1 Sam. 23.14.

1 b Though he was both hungry and in great distress, yet he made God his sufficiency and above all meat and drink.

2 c In this misery I exercise myself in the contemplation of your power and glory, as if I were in your Sanctuary.

5 d The remembrance of your favor is more sweet unto me then all the pleasures and dainties of the world.

8 e He assures himself by the Spirit of God to have the gift of constancy.

10 ^fThey shal cast him down with the edge of the sword, *and* they shal be a portion for foxes.

11 But the King shal rejoyce in God, *and* all that ^gswear by him shal rejoyce *in him*: for the mouth of them that speak lies, shal be stopped.

PSAL. 64.

1 David praieith against the furie & false reports of his enemies. 7 He declareth their punishment & destruction, 10 To the comfort of the just and the glorie of God.

¶ *To him that excelleth, A Psalme of David.*

Ⓟ Ear my ^avoice, ô God, in my praier: preserve my life from ^bfear of the enemie. 2 Hide me from the ^cconspiracie of the wicked, *and* from the ^drage of the workers of iniquitie.

3 Which have whet their tongue like a sword, and shot *for* their arrows ^ebitter words:

4 To shoot at the upright in secret: they shoot at him suddenly, and ^ffear not.

5 They ^gencourage them selves *in* a wicked purpose: they commune together to laie snares prively, *and* say, Who shall see them?

6 They have sought out iniquities, *and* have accomplished that which they sought out, even every one ^hhis secret thoughts, and the depth of *his* heart.

7 But God will shoot an arrow at them suddenly: their strokes shal be *at once*.

8 They shal cause their own tongue to fall upon them: *and* whosoever shal se them, shal ⁱflee awaie.

9 And all men shal se it, and declare the work of God, and they shal understand, what he hath wrought.

10 *But* the righteous ^jshal be glad in the Lord, and trust in him: and all that are upright of heart, shal rejoyce.

PSAL. 65.

1 A praise and thanksgiving unto God by the faithful, who are signified by Zion, 4 For the chusing, preservation & governance of them, 9 And for the plentiful blessings poured forth upon all the earth, but specially toward his Church.

¶ *To him that excelleth, A Psalme or song of David.*

Ⓟ God, ^apraise waiteth for thee in Ziôn, and unto thee shal the vow be performed. 2 *Because thou* hearest the praier, unto thee shal all ^bflesh come.

10 f He prophecies of the destruction of Saul, and them that take his part, whose bodies shall not be buried, but be devoured with wild beasts.

11 g All that swear by God aright, or profess him, shall rejoyce in this worthy King.

Psalme 64

1 a In that he calls to God with his voice, it is a sign that his prayer was vehement, and that his life was in danger.

2 b That is, from their secret malice.

2 c To wit, their outward violence.

3 d False reports and slanders.

4 e To be without fear of God and reverence of man, is a sign of reprobation.

5 f The more the wicked see God's children in misery, the more bold, and impudent are they in oppressing them.

6 g There is no way so secret and subtly to do hurt, which they invented not for his destruction.

8 h To see God's heavy judgments against them, and how he has caught them in their own snares.

10 i When they shall consider that he will be favorable to them, as he was to his servant David.

Psalme 65

1 a You give daily new occasion to your Church to praise you.

2 b Not only the Jews, but also the Gentiles in the kingdom of Christ.

3 Wicked deeds ^chave prevailed against me: *but* thou wilt be merciful unto our transgressions.

4 Blessed is *he*, whom thou chusest and causest to come to thee: he shall dwell in thy courts, and we shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thine House, *even* of thine holie Temple.

5 O God of our salvation, thou wilt ^danswer us with fearful signs in thy righteousness, *ô thou* the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are far off in the ^esea.

6 He stablisheth the mountains by his power: *and* is girded about with strength.

7 He appeaseth the ^fnoise of the seas *and* the noise of the waves thereof, and the tumults of the people.

8 They also, that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth, shall be afraid of thy signs: thou shalt make ^gthe East and the West to rejoyce.

9 Thou ^hvisitest the earth, and waterest it: thou makest it very rich: the ⁱRiver of God is full of water: thou preparest them corn: for so thou appointest ^jit.

10 Thou ^kwaterest abundantly the furrows thereof, thou causest the rain to descend into the valleis thereof: thou makest it soft with showers, *and* blessest the bud thereof.

11 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness, and thy steps drop fatness.

12 They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness: and the hills shall be compassed with gladness.

13 The pastures are clad with sheep: the valleis also shall be covered with corn: *therefore* they shout for joy, ^land sing.

PSAL. 66.

1 He provoketh all men to praise the Lord and to consider his works. 6 He setteth forth the power of God to affray the rebels, 10 And sheweth how God hath delivered Israël from great bondage and afflictions. 13 He promiseth to give sacrifice, 16 And provoketh all men to hear what God hath done for him and to praise his Name.

¶ *To him that excelleth, A song, or Psalme.*

Rejoyce in God, ^aall ye inhabitants of the earth. 2 Sing forth the glory of his Name: make his praise glorious. 3 Say unto God, How terrible art thou in thy works! through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies be ^bin subjection unto thee.

4 All the world shall worship thee, and sing unto thee, *even* sing of thy Name. *Sélah.*

5 ^cCome and behold the works of God: he is terrible in his doing

3 ^c He imputes it to his sins and to the sins of the people, that God, who was accustomed to assist them, withdraws his succor from them.

5 ^d You will declare yourself to be the preserver of your Church in destroying your enemies, as you did in the red Sea.

5 ^e As of all barbarous nations and far off.

7 ^f He shows that there is no part nor creature in the world, which is not governed by God's power and providence.

8 ^g *Ebr.* The going forth of the morning and of the evening.

9 ^g To wit, with rain.

9 ^h That is, Shiloah, or, the rain.

9 ⁱ You have appointed the earth to bring forth food to man's use.

10 ^k By this description he shows that all the order of nature is a testimony of God's love toward us, who causes all creatures to serve our necessity.

13 ^l That is, the dumb creatures shall not only rejoyce for a time for God's benefits, but shall continually sing.

Psalme 66

1 ^a He prophecies that all nations shall come to the knowledge of God, who then was only known in Judea.

3 ^b As the faithful shall obey God willingly: so the infidels for fear shall dissemble themselves to be subject.

5 ^c He touches the slothful dullness of man, who is cold in the consideration of God's works.

toward ^dthe sons of men.

6 He hath turned the Sea into dry land: they pass through the river on foot: there did we rejoyce in him.

7 He ruleth the world with his power: his eyes behold the nations: the rebellious shall not ^eexalt them selves. *Sélah.*

8 Praise our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard.

9 Which ^fholdeth our souls in life, & suffereth not our feet to slip.

10 For thou, *ô God*, hast proved us, thou hast tried us as silver is tried.

11 Thou hast brought us into the ^gsnare, *and* laied a strait chain upon our loins.

12 Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads: we went into fire & into water, but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.

13 I will go into thine ^hHouse with burnt offerings, *and* will pay thee my vows,

14 Which my lippes have promised, and my mouth hath spoken in mine affliction.

15 I will offer unto thee the burnt offerings of fat rams with incense: I will prepare bullocks and goats. *Sélah.*

16 ⁱCome *and* hearken, all ye that fear God, and I will tel you what he hath done to my soul.

17 I called unto him with my mouth, and he was exalted with my tongue.

18 ^kIf I regard wickedness in mine heart, the Lord will not hear me.

19 But God hath heard me, & considered the voice of my prayer.

20 Praise *be* God, which hath not put back my prayer, nor his mercy from me.

PSAL. 67.

1 A prayer of the Church to obtain the favor of God and to be lightened with his countenance, 2 To the end that his way and judgements may be known throughout the earth 7 And finally is declared the kingdom of God, which should be universally erected at the coming of Christ.

¶ *To him that excelleth on Neginóth. A Psal. or song.*

God be merciful unto us, and bless us, *and* ^acause his face to shine among us. *Sélah.* 2 That ^bthey maie know thy way upon earth, *and* thy saving health among all nations.

3 Let the people praise thee, *ô God*: let all the people praise thee.

4 ^cLet the people be glad and rejoyce: for thou shalt judge the

5 ^d His providence is wonderful in maintaining their estate.

7 ^e He proves that God will extend his grace also to the Gentiles, because he punishes among them such as will not obey his calling.

9 ^f He signifies some special benefit, that God had shown to his Church of the Jews in delivering them from some great danger: whereof or of the like he promises that the Gentiles shall be partakers.

11 ^g The condition of the Church is here described, which is to be led by God's providence into troubles, to be subject under tyrants, and to enter into manifold dangers.

13 ^h The duty of the faithful is here described, which are never unmindful to render God praise for his benefits.

16 ⁱ It is not enough to have received God's benefits and to be mindful thereof, but also we are bound to make others to profit thereby and praise God.

18 ^k If I delight in wickedness, God will not hear me: but if I confess it, he will receive me.

Psalme 67

1 ^a That is, move our hearts with his holy Spirit, that we may feel his favor towards us.

2 ^b That both Jews and Gentiles may know God's covenant made with them.

4 ^c By these oft repetitions he shows, that the people can never rejoyce sufficiently, and give thanks for the great benefits that they shall receive under the kingdom of Christ.

people righteously, & govern the nations upon the earth. Sélah.
 5 Let the people praise thee, ô God: let all the people praise thee.
 6 *Then* shall ^dthe earth bring forth her increase, *and* God, *even* our God shal bless us.
 7 God shal bless us, and all the ends of the earth ^eshal fear him.

PSAL. 68.

3 In this psalme David setteth forth as in a glass the wonderful mercies of God toward his people. 5 Who by all means and most strange sorts declared him self to them, 15 And therefore God's Church by reason of his promises, graces and victories doeth excel without comparison all worldlie things. 34 He exhortheth therefore all men to praise God forever.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A psalme or song of David.*

God ^awill arise, *and* his enemies shalbe scattered: they also that hate him, shal flee before him. 2 As the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive *them* awaie: *and* as wax melteth before the fyre, so shal the wicked perish at the presence of God. 3 ^bBut the righteous shalbe glad, *and* rejoyce before God: yea, they shal leap for joy. 4 Sing unto God, *and* sing praises unto his Name: exalt him, that rideth upon the heavens, in his Name ^cJah, and rejoyce before him. 5 *He is* a Father of the fatherless, and a Judge of the widows, *even* God in his holie habitation. 6 God ^dmaketh the solitarie to dwell in families, *and* delivereth them that were prisoners in stocks: but the rebellious shal dwell in a ^edry land. 7 ^fO God, when thou wentest forth before thy people: when thou wentest through the wilderness, (Sélah) 8 The earth shoke, and the heavens dropped at the presence of this God: *even* Sinái was *moved* at the presence of God, *even* the God of Israël. 9 Thou, ô God, sendest a gracious rain *upon* thine inheritance, and thou didest refresh it when it was weary. 10 Thy Congregation dwelled therein: *for* thou, ô God, hast of thy ^ggoodness prepared it for the poor. 11 The Lord gave matter to the ^hwomen to tell of the great army. 12 The Kings of the armies did flee: they did flee and ⁱshe that remained in the house, divided the spoil. 13 Though ye have lien among ^kpots, *yet shal ye be* as the

6 d He shows that where God favors, there shalbe abundance of all other things.

7 e When they feel his great benefits, both spiritual and corporal towards them.

Psalm 68

1 a The Prophet shows that albeit God suffers the wicked tyrants to oppress his Church for a time, yet at length he will be revenged of them. 3 b He shows that when God declares his power against the wicked, that it is for the commodity and salvation of his Church, which praise him therefore.

4 c Jah and Jehovah are the names of God, which do signify his essence and majesty incomprehensible, so that hereby is declared, that all idols are but vanity, and that the God of Israel, is the only true God.

6 d He gives children to them, that be childless, and increases their families.

6 e Which is barren of God's blessings, which before they had abused.

7 f He teaches that God's favor peculiarly belongs to his Church, as appears by their wonderful deliverance out of Egypt.

10 g God blessed the land of Canaan because he had chosen that place for his Church.

11 h The fashion then was that women sang songs after the victory, as Miriam, Deborah, Judith and others.

12 i The prey was so great that not only the soldiers, but women also had part thereof.

13 k Though God suffer his Church for a time to lie in black darkness, yet he will restore it and make it most shining and white.

wings of a dove that is covered with silver, and whose feathers *are like* yellow gold.

14 When the Almighty scattered Kings ^lin it, it was white as the snow in Zalmón.

15 ^mThe mountain of God *is like* the mountain of Bashán: *it is* an high Mountain, as mount Bashán.

16 ⁿWhy leap ye, ye high mountains? as for this Mountain, God deliteth to dwell in it: yea, the Lord wil dwell in it for ever.

17 The charets of God *are* twentie thousand thousand Angels, *and* the Lord is among them, as in the Sanctuary of Sinai.

18 Thou art gone up on high: thou hast ^oled captivity captive, *and* received gifts for men: yea, even the rebellious *hast thou led*, that the Lord God might dwell *there*

19 Praised *be* the Lord, *even* the God of our salvation, *which* ladeth us daiely *with benefites*. Sélah.

20 This *is* our God, *even* the God that saveth *us*: and to the Lord God *belong* the ^pissues of death.

21 Surely God wil wound the head of his enemies, *and* the hair pate of him that walketh in his sinnes.

22 The Lord hath said, I wil bring *my people* again from ^qBashán: I wil bring them again from the depths of the Sea:

23 That thy foot may be dipped in blood, *and* the tongue of thy dogs *in the blood* of the enemies, *even* in ^rit.

24 They have seen, ô God, thy ^sgoings, the goings of my God, *and* my King, *which art* in the Sanctuarie.

25 The ^tsingers went before, the plaiers of instruments after: in the middes *were* the maids playing with timbrels.

26 Praise ye God in the assemblies, *and* the Lord, *ye that are* of the fountain ^uof Israël.

27 There *was* ^xlittle Benjamin *with* their ^yruler, *and* the princes of Judáh *with* their assemblée, the princes of Zebulún, *and* the princes of Naphtalí.

28 Thy God hath appointed thy strength: stablish, ô God, that, *which* thou hast wrought in us,

29 ^zOut of thy Temple upon Jerusalém: *and* Kings shal bring presents unto thee.

30 Destroy the company of the spearmen, *and* multitude of the mightie bulls with the calves of the people, that ^atread under feet pieces of silver: scatter the people that delite in war.

31 *Then* shal the princes come out ^bof Egypt: Ethiopia shal

14 l In the land of Canaan, where his Church was.

15 m Zion the Church of God does excel all worldly things, not in pomp and outward show, but by the inward grace of God, which there remains because of his dwelling there.

16 n Why brast you of your strength and beauty against this Mountain of God?

18 o As God overcame the enemies of his Church, took them prisoners, and made them tributaries: so Christ, which is God manifest in flesh, subdued Satan and sin under us, and gave unto his Church most liberal gifts of his Spirit, Ehp. 4.8.

20 p In most extreme dangers God has infinite ways to deliver his.

22 q As he delivered his Church once from Og of Bashan, and other tyrants, and from the dangers of the red Sea, so will he still do as oft as necessity requires.

23 r That is, in the blood of that great slaughter, where dogs shall lap blood.

24 s That is, how you, which are chief King, goes out with your people to war, and gives them the victory.

25 t He describes the order of the people, when they went to the Temple to give thanks for the victory.

26 u Which come of the Patriarch Jacob.

27 x Benjamin is called little because he was the youngest son of Jacob.

27 y Who was some chief ruler of the tribe.

29 z Declare out of your holy palace your power for the defence of your Church Jerusalem.

30 a He desires that the pride of the mighty may be destroyed, which accustomed to garnish their shoes with silver: and therefore for their glittering pomp thought themselves above all men.

31 b He prophecies that the Gentiles shall come to the true knowledge and worship of God.

haste to stretch her hands unto God.

32 Sing unto God, ô ye kingdoms of the earth: sing praise unto the Lord, (Sélah)

33 To him that rideth upon the most high heavens, *which were from the beginning*: behold he wil send out by his ^cvoyce a mightie sound.

34 Ascribe the power to God: *for his majestie is upon Israél, and his strength is in the clouds.*

35 O God, thou art ^dterrible out of thine holie ^eplaces: the God of Israél is he that giveth strength and power unto the people: praised *be* God.

PSAL. 69

1 The complaints, prayers, fervent zeal and great anguish of David is set forth as a figure of Christ and all his members: 21 The malicious crueltie of the enemies, 22 And their punishment also, 26 Where Judas and such traitors are accursed. 30 He gathereth courage in his affliction and offereth praises unto God, 32 Which are more acceptable then all sacrifices: whereof all the afflicted may take comfort. 35 Finally he doeth provoke all creatures to praises, prophesying of the kingdom of Christ, and the preservacion of the Church, where all the faithful, 37 And their seed shal dwell for ever.

¶ To him that excelleth upon ^aShoshannim. A Psalme of David.

S Ave me, ô God: for the ^bwaters are entred even to *my* soul. 2 I stick fast in the deep myre, where no ^cstaie *is*: I am come into deep waters, and the streams run over me.

3 I am weary of crying: my throat is dry: mine ^deyes fail, whiles I wait for my God.

4 They that hate me without a cause, are mo then the hairs of mine head: they that would destroy me, *and* are mine enemies ^efalsely, are mightie, so that I restored that which I ^ftook not.

5 O God, thou knowest my ^gfoolishness, and my fautes are not hid from thee.

6 Let not them that trust in thee, ô Lord God of hostes, be ashamed for ^hme: let not those that seek thee, be confounded through me, ô God of Israél.

7 For thy sake have I suffered reproof: shame hath covered my face.

8 I am become a stranger unto my brethren, even an aliant unto my mother's sons.

9 ⁱFor the zeal of thine house hath eaten me, and the rebukes of them that rebuked thee, are fallen upon me.

10 I ^kwept and my soul fasted, but that was to my reproof.

11 I put on a sack also: and I became a proverb unto them.

33 ^c By his terrible thunders he will make himself to be known the God of all the world.

35 ^d In showing fearful judgements against your enemies for the salvation of your people.

35 ^e He alludes to the Tabernacle which was divided into three parts.

Psalm 69

a Of Shoshannim read Psalm 45.

1 b David signifies by the waters, in what great dangers he was, out of the which God did deliver him.

2 c No firmitie or stableness to settle my feet.

3 d Though his senses failed him, yet his faith was constant and encouraged him still to pray.

4 e Condemning me guiltless.

4 f They judged me poor innocent as a thief and gave my goods to others as though I had stolen them.

5 g Though I be guilty to you ward, yet am I innocent toward them.

6 h Let not my evil entreaty of the enemies be an occasion, that the faithful fall from you.

9 i When I saw your enemies pretend your Name only in mouth, and in their life deny the same, your holy Spirit thrust me forward, to reprove them and defend your glory.

10 k My zeal moved me to lament and pray for my salvation.

12 They that ^lsat in the gate, spake of me, and the drunkards sang *of me*.

13 But Lord, *I make* my prayer unto thee in an ^macceptable time, *even* in the multitude of thy mercie: ô God, hear me in the truth of thy salvation.

14 Deliver me out of the myre, that I sink not: let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the ⁿdeep waters.

15 Let not the waterflood drown me, neither let the deep swallow me up: and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

16 Hear me, ô Lord, for thy loving kindness is good: turn unto me according to the multitude of thy tender mercies.

17 And ^ohide not thy face from thy servant, for I am in trouble: make haste *and* hear me.

18 Draw near unto my soul *and* redeem it: deliver me because of mine enemies.

19 Thou hast known my reproof & my shame, and my dishonor: all mine ^padversaries *are* before thee.

20 Rebuke hath broken mine heart, and I am full of heaviness, and ^qI looked *for some* to have pity *on me*, but there was none: and for comforters, but I found none.

21 For they gave me gall in my meat, and in my thirst ^rthey gave me vinegar to drink.

22 Let their ^ttable be a snare before them, and their prosperity *their* ruin.

23 Let their eyes be blinded that they see not: and make their ^uloins alway to tremble.

24 Pour out thine anger upon them, and let thy wrathful displeasure take them.

25 ^vLet their ^whabitation be void, *and* let none dwell in their tents.

26 For they persecute him, whom thou hast smitten: and they add unto the sorrow of them, whom thou hast wounded.

27 Lay ^xiniquity upon their iniquity, and let them not come into thy righteousness.

28 Let them be put out of the ^ybook of life, neither let them be written with the righteous.

29 When I am poor and in heaviness, thine help, ô God, shal exalt me.

30 I will praise the Name of God with a song, and magnify him with thanksgiving.

31 *This* also shal please the Lord better then a ^zyoung bullock, that hath horns and hooves.

32 The humble shal see *this*, *and* they that seek God, shalbe

12 l The more he sought to win them to God, the more they were against him both poor and rich.

13 m Knowing that albeit I suffer now trouble, yet you have a time, wherein you have appointed my deliverance.

14 n He shows a lively faith, in that that he assures himself, that God is favorable to him, when he seems to be angry: and at hand, when he seems to be far off.

17 o Not that he feared that God would not hear him, but that care made him to think that God differed long.

19 p You see that I am beset as a sheep among many wolves.

20 q He shows that it is in vain to put our trust in men in our great necessities, but that our comfort only depends of God: for man rather increases our sorrows, then diminishes them.

21 ^r John 19.29.

22 r He desires God to execute his judgements against the reprobate, which can not by any means be turned, Rom. 11.9.

23 s Take both judgement and power from them.

25 ^t Acts 1.20.

25 t Punish not only them, but their posterity, which shalbe like unto them.

27 u By their continuance and increasing in their sins let it be known that they be of the reprobate.

28 x They which seemed by their profession to have been written in your book, yet by their fruits prove the contrary, let them be known as reprobate.

31 y There is no sacrifice, which God more esteems, then thanksgiving for his benefits.

glad, and your heart shal live.

33 For the Lord heareth the poor, and despiseth not his ^zprisoners.

34 Let heaven and earth praise him: the seas and all that moveth in them.

35 For God wil save Zión, and build the cities of Judáh, that men may dwell there and have it in possession.

36 The ^aseed also of his servants shal inherit it: and they that love his Name, shal dwell therein.

PSAL. 70.

1 He praieth to be right spedely delivered. 2 He desireth the shame of his enemies. 4 And the joyful comfort of all those that seek the Lord.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David to put in ^aremembrance.*

Ⓐ ^{*}God, ^bhaste thee to deliver me: make haste to help me, [Ⓓ]Lord. 2 Let them be ^cconfounded and put to shame, that seek my soul: let them be turned backward and put to rebuke, that desire mine hurt.

3 Let them be turned back for a reward of their ^dshame, which said, Aha, aha.

4 *But* let all those that seek thee, be joyful and glad in thee, and let all that love thy salvation, say always, God be praised.

5 Now I am ^epoor and needy: [Ⓓ]God, make haste to me: thou art mine helper, and my deliverer: [Ⓓ]Lord, make no tarrying.

PSAL. 71.

1 He praieth in faith, established by the word of the promise. 3 And confirmed by the work of God from his youth. 10 He complaineth of the cruelty of his enemies, 17 And desireth God to continue his graces toward him, 22 Promising to be mindful and thankful for the same.

Ⓙ ^{*}thee, [Ⓓ]Lord, I trust: let me never be ashamed. 2 Rescue me and deliver me in thy ^brighteousness: incline thine ear unto me and save me.

3 Be thou my strong rock, whereunto I may alway resort: thou ^chast given commandment to save me: for thou art my rock, and my fortress.

4 Deliver me, [Ⓓ]my God, out of the hand ^dof the wicked: out of the hand of the evil and cruel man.

33 ^z For as he delivered his servant David, so will he do all that are in distress, and call upon him.

36 ^a Under the temporal promise of the land of Canaan he comprehends the promise of life everlasting to the faithful and their posterity.

Psalm 70

^a Which might put him in remembrance of his deliverance.

1 ^{*}Ps. 40.13.

1 ^b He teaches us to be earnest in prayer, though God seem to stay: for at his time he will hear us.

2 ^c He was assured that the more they raged, the nearer they were to destruction and he the nearer to his deliverance.

3 ^d Hereby we are taught not to mock at others in their misery, lest the same fall on our own necks.

5 ^e Because he had felt God's help before, he grounds on experience and boldly seeks unto him for succor.

Psalm 71

1 ^{*}Ps. 25.2.

1 ^a He prays to God with full assurance of faith, that he will deliver him from his adversaries.

2 ^b By declaring yourself true of promise.

3 ^c You have infinite means, & all creatures are at your commandment: therefore show some sign, whereby I shall be delivered.

4 ^d That is, from Absalom, Ahithophel and that conspiracy.

5 For thou art mine hope, [Ⓓ]Lord God, *even* my ^etrust from my youth.

6 Upon thee have I been staid from the womb: thou art he that took me out of my mother's bowels: my praise shal be always of thee.

7 I am become as it were a ^fmonster unto many: but thou art my sure trust.

8 Let my mouth be filled with thy praise, *and* with thy glorie everie day.

9 Cast me not off in the time of ^gage: forsake me not when my strength faileth.

10 For mine enemies speak of me, and they that lay wait for my soul, take their counsel together,

11 Saying, ^hGod hath forsaken him: pursue and take him, for there is none to deliver *him*.

12 Go not far from me, [Ⓓ]God: ⁱmy God, haste thee to help me.

13 Let them be confounded *and* consumed that are against my soul: let them be covered with reproof and confusion, that seek mine hurt.

14 But I wil wait continually, and wil praise thee more and more.

15 My mouth shal daily rehearse thy righteousness, *and* thy salvation: ^kfor I know not the number.

16 I wil ^lgo forward in the strength of the Lord God, *and* wil make mention of thy righteousness, *even* of thine only.

17 O God, thou hast taught me from my youth even until now: *therefore* wil I tel of thy wondrous works,

18 ^mYea, even unto *mine* old age and gray head, [Ⓓ]God: forsake me not, until I have declared thine arm unto *this* generation, *and* thy power to all them, that shal come.

19 And thy ⁿrighteousness, [Ⓓ]God, *I wil exalt* on high: for thou hast done great things: [Ⓓ]God, who is like unto thee!

20 Which hast shewed me great troubles and ^padversaries, *but* thou wilt return *and* revive me, and wilt come again, *and* take me up from the depth of the earth.

21 Thou wilt increase mine honor, and return *and* comfort me.

22 Therefore wil I praise thee *for* thy ^qfaithfulness, [Ⓓ]God, upon instrument *and* viole: unto thee wil I sing upon the harp, [Ⓓ]Holie one of Israël.

23 My lips wil rejoyce when I sing unto thee, and my ^rsoul, which thou hast delivered.

24 My tongue also shal talk of thy righteousness daily: for they

5 ^e He strengthens his faith by the experience of God's benefits, who did not only preserve him in his mother's belly, but took him thence, and ever since has preserved him.

7 ^f All the world wonders at me because of my miseries, aswel they in authority, as the common people, yet being assured of your favor I remained steadfast.

9 ^g You that did help me in my youth, when I had more strength, help me now so much the more in my old age and weakness.

11 ^h Thus the wicked both blaspheme God and triumph against his Saints, as though he had forsaken them, if he suffer them to fall into their hands.

12 ⁱ In calling him his God, he puts back the false reports of the adversaries, that said, God had forsaken him.

15 ^k Because your benefits toward me are innumerable, I can not but continually meditate and rehearse them.

16 ^l I will remain steadfast, being upheld with the power of God.

18 ^m He desires that as he has begun, he would so continue his benefits, that his liberality may have perfect praise.

19 ⁿ Your just performance of your promise.

19 ^o His faith breaks through all tentations, and by this exclamation he praises the power of God.

20 ^p As he confesses that God is the only author of his deliverance: so he acknowledges that these evils were sent upon him by God's providence.

22 ^q He confesses that his long tarrance was well recompensed, when God performed his promise.

23 ^r For there is no true praising of God, except it come from the heart: and therefore he promises to delight in nothing, but wherein God may be glorified.

are confounded and brought unto shame, that seek mine hurt.

PSAL. 72.

1 He praieth for the prosperous estate of the kingdom of Salomón, who was the figure of Christ, 4 Under whom shall be righteousness peace and felicitie, 10 Unto whom all Kings and all nations shall do homage, 17 Whose name and power shall endure for ever, and in whom all nations shall be blessed.

¶ A Psalme ^aof Salomón.

Give thy ^bjudgements to the King, ^ô God, and thy righteousness to the King's ^cson. 2 Then shall he judge thy people in righteousness, and thy poor with equitie.

3 The ^omountains and the hills shall bring peace to the people by justice.

4 He shall ^ejudge the poor of the people: he shall save the children of the needy, and shall subdue the oppressor.

5 They shall ^fear thee as long as the sun and moon endureth, from generation to generation.

6 He shall come ^odown like the rain upon the mowen grass, and as the showers that water the earth.

7 In his daies shall the righteous flourish, and abundance of peace shall be so long as the moon endureth.

8 His dominion shall be also from ^hsea to sea, and from the River unto the ends of the land.

9 They that dwell in the wilderness, shall kneel before him, and his enemies shall lick the dust.

10 The Kings of ^tTarshish and of the yles shall bring presents: the Kings ^kof Shebá and Sebá shall bring gifts.

11 Yea, all Kings shall worship him: all nations shall serve him.

12 For he shall deliver the poor when he cryeth: the needy also, and him that hath no helper.

13 He shall be merciful to the poor and needy, and shall preserve the souls of the poor.

14 He shall redeem their souls from deceit and violence, and ^ldear shall their blood be in his sight.

15 Yea, he shall live, and unto him shall they give of the ^mgold of Shebá: they shall also pray for him continually, and daily bless him.

16 An handful of cor n shall be sown in the earth, even in the top of the mountains, and the ⁿfruit thereof shall shake like the trees of Lebanón: and the children shall flourish out of the city like the grass of the earth.

Psalme 72

a Composed by David as touching the reign of his son Solomon.

1 b Endue the King with the Spirit of wisdom and justice that he reign not as do the worldly tyrants.

1 c To wit, to his posterity.

3 d When justice reigns, even the places most barren shall be enriched with your blessings.

4 e He shows wherefore the sword is committed to Kings: to wit, to defend the innocent and suppress the wicked.

5 f The people shall embrace your true religion, when you give a King, that rules according to your word.

6 g As this is true in all godly Kings: so is it chiefly verified in Christ, who with his heavenly dew makes his Church ever to flourish.

8 h That is from the red Sea to the sea called Syriacum, and from Euphrates forward: meaning, that Christ's kingdom should be large and universal.

10 i Of Cilicia and of all other countries beyond the sea, which he means by the isles.

10 k That is, of Arabia that rich country, whereof Sheba was a part bordering upon Ethiopias.

14 l Though tyrants pass not to shed blood, yet this godly King shall preserve his subjects from all kind of wrong.

15 m God will both prosper his life, and also make the people most willing to obey him.

16 n Under such a King shall be most great plenty, both of fruit and also of the increase of mankind.

17 His name shall be for ever: his name shall endure as long as the sun: all nations shall bless ^ohim, and be blessed in him.

18 Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israél, which only doeth ^pwonderous things.

19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever: and let all the earth be filled with his glory. So be it, even so be it.

HERE END THE ^opraisers of David, the son of Jshái.

Book 3 Psalms 73 – 89

PSAL. 73.

1 The Prophet teacheth by his example that neither the worldlie prosperitie of the ungodlie, 14 Nor yet the affliction of the good ought to discourage God's children: but rather ought to move us to consider our Father's providence, & to cause us to reverence God's judgements, 19 For asmuch as the wicked vanish away, 24 And the godlie enter into life everlasting, 28 In hope whereof he resigneth him self into God's hands.

¶ A Psalme committed to Asáph.

DEt ^aGod is good to Israél: even, to the pure in heart. 2 As for me, my feet were almost gone: my steps had welnere slipt.

3 For I treated at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

4 For there are ^bno bands in their death, but they are lusty and strong.

5 They are not in trouble as *other* men, neither are they plagued with *other* men.

6 ^cTherefore pride is as a chain unto them, and cruelty covereth them as a garment.

7 Their eyes stand out for fatness: [^]they have more then heart can wish.

8 They are licencious, and speak wickedly of *their* oppression: they talk presumptuously.

9 They ^dset their mouth against heaven, and their tongue walketh through the earth.

10 Therefore his ^epeople turn hither: for waters of a full cup are wrung out to them.

11 And they ⁱsay, How doeth God know it? or is there knowledge in the most High?

12 Lo, these are the wicked, yet prosper they alway, and increase in riches.

13 Certainly I have cleansed mine heart in vain, and washed mine hands in innocencie.

14 For daily have I been punished, and chastened every morning.

17 ^o They shall pray to God for his continuance, and know that God does prosper them for his sake.

18 ^p He confesses that except God miraculously preserve his people, that neither the King nor the kingdom can continue.

19 ^q Concerning his son Solomon.

Psalme 73

1 a As it were between hope & despair he brasts forth into this affection, being assured that God would continue his favor toward such as were godly in deed, and not hypocrites.

4 b The wicked in this life live at pleasure, and are not drawn to death like prisoners: that is by sickness, which is death's messenger.

6 c They glory in their pride as some do in their chains: and in cruelty, as some do in apparel.

7 [^]Ebr., They pass the desires of the heart.

9 d They blaspheme God and fear not his power, and rail upon men, because they esteem themselves above all others.

10 e Not only the reprobate, but also the people of God, often times fall back, seeing the prosperous estate of the wicked, and are overwhelmed with sorrows, thinking that God considers not aright the estate of the godly.

11 f Thus the flesh moves even the godly to dispute with God touching their poor estate and the prosperity of the wicked.

15 If I say, ^gI wil judge thus, behold the generation of thy children: I have trespassed.
 16 Then thought I to know this, *but* it was too painful for me,
 17 Until I went into the ^hSanctuarie of God: *then* understood I their end.
 18 Surely thou hast set them in slipperie places, *and* castest them down into desolation.
 19 How suddenly are they destroyed, perished *and* ⁱhorribly consumed,
 20 As a dream when one awaketh! ^o Lord, when ^kthou raisest us up, thou shalt make their image despised.
 21 Certainly mine heart was vexed, & I was pricked in my reines:
 22 So foolish was I and ignorant: I was a ^lbeast before thee.
 23 Yet I was alway ^mwith thee: thou hast holden *me* by my right hand.
 24 Thou wilt guide me by thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.
 25 Whom have I in ⁿheaven *but thee?* and I have desired none in the earth with thee.
 26 My flesh faileth and mine heart *also: but* God *is* the strength of mine heart, and my ^oportion for ever.
 27 For lo, they that withdraw them selves from thee, shal perish: thou destroyest all them that ^pgo whoring from thee.
 28 As for me, it is good for me ^qto draw near to God: *therefore* I have put my trust in the Lord God, that I may declare all thy works.

PSAL. 74.

1 The faithful complain of the destruction of the Church and true religion, 2 Under the name of Zi'ón, and the Temple destroyed: 11 And trusting in the might and free mercies of God, 20 By his covenant, 21 They require help and succor for the glory of God's holie Name, for the salvation of his poor afflicted servants, 23 And the confusion of his proud enemies.

¶ A Psalme to give instruction, committed to Asáph.

 God, ^awhy hast thou put us away for ever? *why* is thy wrath kindled against the sheep of thy pasture? 2 Think upon thy Congregation, *which* thou hast possessed of old, *and* on the ^brod of thine inheritance, *which* thou hast redeemed, *and* on this mount Zi'ón, wherein thou hast dwelt.
 3 Lift up thy ^cstrokes, that thou maiest for ever destroy every enemy that doeth evil to the Sanctuary.

15 ^g If I give place to this wicked thought, I offend against your providence, seeing you dispose all things most wisely, and preserve your children in their greatest dangers.
 17 ^h Until I entered into your school and learned by your word and holie Spirit, that you order all thing most wisely and justly.
 19 ⁱ By your fearful judgement.
 20 ^k When you open our eyes to consider your heavenly felicity, we contemn all their vain pomp.
 22 ^l For the more that man goes about by his own reason to seek God's judgements, the more does he declare himself a beast.
 23 ^m By faith I was assured that your providence did watch always over me to preserve me.
 25 ⁿ He sought neither help nor comfort of any save of God only.
 26 ^o He teaches us to deny ourselves, to have God our whole sufficiency, and only contentment.
 27 ^p That is, forsake you to seek others.
 28 ^q Though all the world shrink from God, yet he promises to trust in him and to magnify his works.

Psalm 74

1 ^a The Church of God being oppressed by the tyranny either of the Babylonians, or of Antiochus, prays to God by whose hand this yoke was laid upon them for their sins.
 2 ^b Which inheritance you have measured out for yourself as with a line or rod.
 3 ^c ^{Or}, feet.

4 Thine adversaries roar in the middes of thy Congregation, *and* ^cset up their banners for signs. ⁷⁰
 5 *He that* ^dlifted the axes upon the thick trees, was renowned, as one, that brought a thing to perfection:
 6 But now they break down the carved work thereof with axes and hammers.
 7 They have cast thy Sanctuary into the fire, *and razed it* to the ground, *and* have defiled the dwelling place of thy Name.
 8 They said in their ^ehearts, Let us destroy them altogether: they have burnt all the Synagogues of God in the land.
 9 We see not our signs: there is not one Prophet more, nor any with us that knoweth ^fhow long.
 10 O God, how long shal the adversary reproach *thee?* shall the enemy blaspheme thy Name for ever?
 11 Why withdrawest thou thine hand, even thy right hand? *draw it* out of thy bosom, *and* ^gconsume them.
 12 Even God *is* my King of old, working salvation ^hin the middes of the earth.
 13 Thou didest divide the Sea by thy power: thou brakest the heads of the ⁱdragons in the waters.
 14 Thou brakest the head of ^kLiviathán in pieces, *and* gavest him to be ^lmeat for the people in wilderness.
 15 Thou brakest up the fountain and river: thou dryedst up mightie rivers.
 16 The ^mday is thine, and the night is thine: thou hast prepared the light and the sun.
 17 Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: thou hast made somer and winter.
 18 Remember this, *that* the enemie hath reproached the Lord, and the foolish people hath blasphemed thy Name.
 19 Give not the soul of thy ⁿturtle dove unto the beast, *and* forget not the Congregation of thy poor for ever.
 20 Consider *thy* covenant: for ^othe dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of the cruel.
 21 Oh let not the oppressed return ashamed, *but* let the poor and needy praise thy Name.
 22 Arise, ^o God: maintain thine ^pown cause: remember thy daily reproach by the foolish man.
 23 Forget not the voyce of thine enemies: *for* the tumult of them, that rise against thee, ^qascendeth continually.

PSAL. 75.

1 The faithful do praise the Name of the Lord, 2 Which shal come to judge at the time appointed, 8 When the wicked shalbe put to confusion, and drink of the cup of his wrath. 10 Their pride

4 ^c They have destroyed your true religion and spread their banners in sign of defiance.
 5 ^d He commended the Temple for the costly matter, the excellent workmanship and beauty thereof which notwithstanding the enemies did destroy.
 8 ^e They encouraged one another to cruelty, that not only God's people might be destroyed, but also his religion utterly in all places suppressed.
 9 ^f They lament that they have no Prophet among them to show them how long their miseries should endure.
 11 ^g They join their deliverance with God's glory and power, knowing that the punishment of the enemy should be their deliverance.
 12 ^h Meaning, in the sight of all the world.
 13 ⁱ To wit, Pharaoh's army.
 14 ^k Which was a great monster of the sea, or whale, meaning Pharaoh.
 14 ^l His destruction did rejoyce them as meat refreshes the body.
 16 ^m Seeing that God by his providence governs and disposes all things, he gathers that he will take care chiefly for his children.
 19 ⁿ He means the Church of God, which is exposed as a prey to the wicked.
 20 ^o That is all places where your word shines not, there reigns tyranny and ambition.
 22 ^p He shows that God can not suffer his Church to be oppressed, except he lose his own right.
 23 ^q ^{Or}, increases more and more.

shalbe abated, and the righteous shalbe exalted to honor.

¶ To him that excelleth. ^aDestroy not. A Psalme or song committed to Asáph.

WE wil praise thee, ô God, we wil praise *thee*, for thy Name *is* near: *therefore* ^bthey wil declare thy wonderous works.
 2 ^cWhen I shal take a convenient time, I wil judge righteously.
 3 The earth and all the inhabitants thereof are dissolved: *but* I wil establish the pillars ^dof it. Sélah.
 4 I said unto the foolish, Be not so foolish, and to the wicked, Lift not up the horn.
 5 Lift not up your ^ehorn on high, neither speak with a stiff neck.
 6 For to come to preferment *is* neither from the East, nor from the West, nor from the South,
 7 But God *is* the judge: he maketh low and he maketh high.
 8 For in the hand of the Lord *is* a ^fcup, and the wine is red: it is full mixt, and he powreth out of the same: surely all the wicked of the earth shal wring out *and* drink the dregs thereof.
 9 But I wil declare for ever, and sing praises unto the God of Jaakób.
 10 All the horns of the wicked also wil I break: *but* the horns of the ^grighteous shalbe exalted.

PSAL. 76.

1 This Psalme setteth forth the power of God and care for the defence of his people in Jerusalém, in the destruction of the armie of Saneherib: 11 And exhorteth the faithful to be thankful for the same.

¶ To him that excelleth on Neginóth. A Psalme or song committed to Asáph.

God is ^aknown in Judáh: his Name *is* great in Israél. 2 For in ^bShalém is his Tabernacle, and his dwelling in Zión. 3 There brake he the arrows of the bow, the shield and the sword and the battle. Sélah.
 4 Thou art more bright & puissant, then ^cthe mountains of prey.
 5 The stout hearted are spoiled: they have slept their sleep, and all the men of strength have not ^dfound their hands.
 6 At thy rebuke, ô God of Jaakób, both the chariot and horse are cast a sleep.
 7 Thou, *even* thou art to be feared: and who shal stand in thy ^esight, when thou art angrie!

a Read Psal. 57.1.

1 b He declares how the faithful shall ever have just occasion to praise God, forasmuch as in their need they shall feel his power at hand to help them.

2 c When I see my time (says God) to help your miseries, I will come and set all things in good order.

3 d Though all things be brought to ruin, yet I can restore and preserve them.

5 e The Prophet warns the wicked that they would not set themselves against God's people, seeing that God at his time destroys them that rule wickedly.

8 f God's wrath is compared to a cup of strong and delicate wine, wherewith the wicked are made so drunk, that by drinking till they come to the very dregs, they are utterly destroyed.

10 g The godly shall better prosper by their innocent simplicity, then the wicked shall by all their craft, and subtlety.

Psalm 76

1 a He declares that God's power is evidently seen in preserving his people and destroying his enemies.

2 b Which afterward was called Jerusalem.

4 c He compares the kingdoms full of extortion and rapine to the mountains that are full of ravening beasts.

5 d God has taken their spirits and strength from them, as though their hands were cut off.

7 e God with a look is able to destroy all the power and activity of the enemies, were they never so many or mighty.

8 Thou didest cause *thy* judgement to be heard from heaven: *therefore* the earth feared and was stil,

9 When thou, ô God, arose to judgement, to ^fhelp all the meek of the earth. Sélah.

10 Surely the ^grage of man shal turn to thy praise: the remnant of the rage shalt thou restrain.

11 Vow and perform unto the Lord your God, all ye that be ^hround about him: let them bring presents unto him that ought to be feared.

12 He shal ⁱcut off the spirit of princes: he is terrible to the Kings of the earth.

PSAL. 77.

1 The Prophet in the name of the Church rehearseth the greatness of his affliction, and his grievous tentations, 6 Whereby he was driven to this end to consider his former conversation, 11 And the continual course of God's works in the preservation of his servants, and so he confirmeth his faith against these tentations.

¶ For the excellent musician ^{*}Jeduthún. A Psalme committed to Asáph.

MY ^avoyce came to God, when I cried: my voice *came* to God, and he heard me. 2 In the day of my trouble I soght the Lord: [^]my sore ran and ceased not in the night: my soul refused comfort.

3 I did think upon God, and was ^btroubled: I prayed, and my spirit was ful of anguish. Sélah.

4 Thou kepest mine eies ^cwaking: I was astonied and could not speak.

5 *Then* I considered the daies of olde, *and* the years of ancient time.

6 I called to remembrance my ^dsong in the night: I communed with mine own heart, and my spirit searched ^ediligently.

7 Wil the Lord absent him self for ever? and wil he shewe no more favor?

8 Is his ^fmercie cleane gone for ever? doeth his promise fail for ever more?

9 Hath God forgotten to be merciful? hath he shut up his tender mercies in displeasure? Sélah.

10 And I said, This is my ^gdeath: *yet I remembered* the years of the right hand of the most High.

11 I remembered the works of the Lord: *certainly* I remembered

9 f To revenge the wrongs done to your Church.

10 g For the end shall show that the enemy was able to bring nothing to pass also you shall bridle their rage, that they shall not compass their purpose.

11 h To wit, the Levites that dwell about the Tabernacle, or the people, among whom he does dwell.

12 i The Ebrewe word signifies, to vintage, or gather grapes: meaning that he shall make the counsels and enterprises of wicked tyrants foolish and vain.

Psalm 77

*1 Chron. 16.41, Ps. 39 and 62.

1 a The Prophet teaches us by his example to flee unto God for help in our necessities.

2 [^]Or, my hand was stretched out.

3 b He shows that we must patiently abide, although God deliver us not out of our troubles at the first cry.

4 c Meaning that his sorrows were as watchmen that kept his eyes from sleeping.

6 d Of thanksgiving, which I was accustomed to sing in my prosperity.

6 e Both the causes why I was chastened, and when my sorrows should have an end.

8 f As if he should say, It is impossible: whereby he exhorts himself to patience.

10 g Though I first doubted of my life, yet considering that God had his years, that is, change of times, and was accustomed also to lift up them, whom he has beaten, I took heart again.

thy wonders of olde.

12 I did also meditate all thy works, and did devise of thine Acts, saying,

13 Thy way, ô God, is^h in the Sanctuarie: who is so great aⁱ God as our God!

14 Thou art the God that doest wonders: thou hast declared thy power among the people.

15 Thou hast redeemed thy people with *thine* arm, *even* the sons of Jaakób and Joséph. Sélah.

16 The^k waters saw thee, ô God: the waters saw thee, *and* were afraid: yea, the depths trembled.

17 The clouds powred out water: the heavens gave a^l sound: yea, thine arrows went abroad.

18 The voice of thy thunder was round about: the lightnings lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook.

19 Thy waie is in the Sea, and thy paths in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not^m known.

20 Thou didest lead thy people like sheep by the hand of Mosés and Aarón.

PSAL. 78.

1 He sheweth how God of his mercie chose his Church of the posteritie of Abrahám, 8 Reproching the stubburne rebellion of their fathers, that the children might not only understand, 11 That God of his free mercie made his covenant with their ancestors, 17 But also seing them so malicious and perverse, might be ashamed and to turn wholly to God. In this Psalme the holie Gost hath comprehended, as it were, the sum of all God's benefits, to the intent the ignorant and gross people might see in few words the effect of the whole history of the Bible.

¶ A Psalme to give^a instruction committed to Asáph.

Hear my^b doctrine, ô my people: incline your ears unto the words of my mouth. 2 I wil open my mouth in a parable: I wil declare high sentences of old.

3 Which we have heard and knowen, & our^c fathers have told us.

4 We wil not hide them from their children, *but* to the generation to come we wil shewe the praises of the Lord, his power also, and his wonderful works that he hath done:

5 How he established a^t testimonie in Jaakób, and ordained a Law in Israél, which he commanded our fathers, that they should teach their children:

6 That the^e posterity might know it, *and* the children, which should be born, should stand up, and declare it to their children:

7 That they might^f set their hope on God, and not forget the works of God but keep his commandments:

13 h That is, in heaven, whereunto we must ascend by faith, if we will know the ways of God.

13 i He condemns all that worship anything save the only true God, whose glory appears through the world.

16 k He declares, wherein the power of God was declared, when he delivered the Israelites through the red Sea.

17 l That is, thundered and lightened.

19 m For when you had brought over your people, the water returned to her course and the enemies that thought to have followed them, could not pass through, Ex. 14.27.

Psalm 78

a Read psalm 32.

1 b The Prophet under the name of a teacher calls the people his, and the doctrine his, as Paul calls the Gospel his, whereof he was but the preacher as Rom 2.16, and 16.25.

3 c Which were the people of God.

5 d By the testimony and Law he means the Law written, which they were commanded to teach their children, Deu. 6.7.

6 e He shows wherein the children should be like their fathers, that is, in maintaining God's pure religion,

7 f He shows wherein the use of this doctrine stands in faith, in the meditation of God's benefits, and in obedience.

8 And not to be as their^g fathers, a disobedient and rebellious generation: a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not faithful unto God.

9 The children of^h Ephráim being armed and shooting with the bow, turned back in the day of battle.

10 They kept not the covenant of God, but refused to walk in his Law,

11 And forgate his Acts, and his wonderful works that he had shewed them.

12 He did marvelous things in the sight of theirⁱ fathers in the land of Egypt: *even* in the field of Zóan.

13 *He divided the Sea, and led them through: he made also the waters to stand as an heap.

14 *In the daytime also he led them with a cloud, and all the night with a light of fyer.

15 *He clave the rocks in the wilderness, and gave them drink as of the great depths.

16 *He brought floods also out of the stonie rock, so that he made the waters to descend like the rivers.

17 Yet they^k sinned still against him, and provoked the Highest in the wilderness,

18 And tempted God in their hearts in^l requiring meat for their lust.

19 *They spake against God also, saying, Can God^m prepare a table in the wilderness?

20 *Behold, he smote the rock, that the water gusted out, and the streams overflowed: can he give bread also? or prepare flesh for his people?

21 Therefore the Lord heard and was angry, and theⁿ fyre was kindled in Jaakób, and also wrath came upon Israél,

22 Because they believed not in God, &^o trusted not in his help.

23 Yet he had commanded the^p clouds above, and had opened the doors of heaven,

24 And had rained down MAN upon them for to eat, and had given them of the wheat of heaven.

25 *Man did eat the bread of Angels: he sent them meat ynough.

26 He caused the^q Eastwind to pass in the heaven, and through his power he brought in the Southwind.

27 He rained flesh also upon them as dust, and feathered fowl as the sand of the sea.

28 And he made it fall in the middes of their camp, *even* round

8 g Though these fathers were the seed of Abraham and the chosen people, yet he shows by their rebellion, provocation, falsehood and hypocrisy, that the children ought not to follow their examples.

9 h By Ephraim he means also the rest of the tribes, because they were most in number whose punishment declares that they were unfaithful to God, and by their multitude and authority had corrupt all others.

12 i He proves that not only the posterity, but also their forefathers were wicked and rebellious to God.

13 *Ex. 14.21.

14 *Ex. 14.24.

15 *Ex. 17.6.

16 *Num. 20.11, Ps. 105.41, 1 Cor. 10.4, Wis. 11.4.

17 k Their wicked malice could be overcome by no benefits, which were great and many.

18 l Then to require more then is necessary, and to separate God's power from his will, is to tempt God.

19 * Num. 11.1.

19 m Thus when we give place to sin, we are moved to doubt of God's power, except he will always be ready to serve our lust.

20 *Ex. 17.6, Num. 20.11, Ps. 105.41, 1 Cor. 10.4.

21 *Num. 11.1.

22 n That is, in his Fatherly providence, whereby he cares for his and provides sufficiently.

23 o So that they had that, which was necessary and sufficient but their lust made them to covet that which they knew God had denied them.

25 *John 6.31, 1 Cor. 10.3.

26 p. God used the means of the wind to teach them, that all elements were at his commandment, and that no distance of place could let his working.

about their habitations.

29 So they did eat and were well filled: for he gave them their desire.

30 They were not turned from their ^qlusts, *but* the meat was yet in their mouths,

31 When the wrath of God came even upon them, and slew ^tthe strongest of them, and smote down the chosen men in Israël.

32 For all this, they ^ssinned still, and believed not his wonderous works.

33 Therefore their daies did he consume in vanity, and their years hastily.

34 And when he ^lslew them, they sought him and they returned, and sought God early.

35 And they remembered that God was their strength, and the most high God their redeemer.

36 But they flattered him with their mouth and dissembled with him with their tongue.

37 For their ^uheart was not upright with him: neither were they faithful in his covenant.

38 Yet he being merciful ^xforgave *their* iniquity, and destroyed *them* not, but oft times called back his anger, and did not stir up all his wrath.

39 For he remembered that they were flesh: *yea*, a wind that passeth and commeth not again.

40 How oft did they provoke him in the wilderness? *and* grieve him in the desert?

41 *Yea*, they ^yreturned, and tempted God, and ^zlimited the Holie one of Israël.

42 They ^aremembered not his hand, *nor* the daie when he delivered them from the enemy,

43 *Nor* him that set his signs in Egypt, and his wonders in the field of Zóan,

44 And turned their rivers into blood, and their floods, that they could not drink.

45 He sent ^ba swarm of flies among them, which devoured them, and frogs, which destroyed them.

46 He ^cgave also their fruits unto the caterpillar, and their labor unto the grasshopper.

47 He destroyed their vines with hail, and their wild figgetrees with the hailstone.

48 He gave their cattle also to the hail, and their flocks to the thunderbolts.

49 He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, indignation and wrath, and vexation by the sending out of ^devil Angels.

50 He made away to his anger: he spared not their soul from death, *but* gave their life to the pestilence,

30 q Such is the nature of concupiscence, that the more it has, the more it lusts.

31 r Though other were not spared, yet chiefly they suffered, which trusted in their strength against God.

32 s Thus sin by continuance makes men insensible, so that by no plagues they can be amended.

34 t Such was their hypocrisy, that they sought unto God for fear of punishment, though in their heart they loved him not.

37 u Whatsoever comes not from the pure fountain of the heart, is hypocrisy.

38 x Because he would ever have some remnant of a Church to praise his Name in earth, he suffered not their sins to overcome his mercy.

41 y That is, they tempted him oft times.

41 z As they all do that measure the power of God by their capacity.

42 a The forgetfulness of God's benefits is the root of rebellion & all vice.

45 b This word signifies a confused mixture of flies and venomous worms. Some take it for all sorts of serpents, some for all wild beasts.

46 c He repeats not here all the miracles that God did in Egypt, but certain which might be sufficient to convince the people of malice and ingratitude.

49 d So called, either of the effect: that is, of punishing the wicked, or els because they were wicked spirits, whom God permitted to vex men.

51 And smote all the firstborn in Egypt, *even* the ^ebeginning of *their* strength in the tabernacles of ^fHam.

52 But he made his people to go out like sheep, and led them in the wilderness like a flock.

53 *Yea*, he carried them out safely, and they ^gfeared not, and the Sea covered their enemies.

54 And he brought them unto the borders of his ^hSanctuarie: *even* to this Mountain, *which* his right hand purchased.

55 *He cast out the heathen also before them and caused them to fall to the lot of *his* inheritance, and made the tribes of Israël to dwell in their tabernacles.

56 Yet they tempted, and provoked the most high God, and kept not his testimonies,

57 But turned back and dealt ⁱfalsely like their fathers: they turned like a deceitful bow.

58 And they ^kprovoked him to anger with their high places, and moved him to wrath with their graven images.

59 God heard *this* and was wroth, and greatly abhorred Israël,

60 So that he ^lforsoke the habitation of Shiló, *even* the Tabernacle where he dwelt among men,

61 And delivered his ^mpower in to captivity, and his beauty into the enemy's hand.

62 And he gave up his people to the sword, and was angry with his inheritance.

63 The fyre ⁿdevoured their chosen men, and their maids were not ^opraised.

64 Their Priests fell by the sword, & their ^pwidows lamented not.

65 But the Lord awaked as one out of sleep, *and* as a strong man that after *his* ^qwine cryeth out,

66 And smote his enemies in the hinder *parts*, *and* put them to a perpetual shame.

67 Yet he refused the tabernacle of ^rJoséph, and chose not the tribe of Ephraím:

68 But chose the tribe of Judáh, *and* mount Zión which he loved.

69 And he ^sbuilt his Sanctuary as an high *palace*, like the earth, which he stablished for ever.

70 He chose David also his servant, and took him from the sheepfolds.

71 Even from behind the ewes with young brought he him to feed his people in Jaakób, and his inheritance in Israël.

72 So *'he* fed them according to the simplicity of his heart, and

51 e The firstborn are so called, as Gen. 49.3.

51 f That is, Egypt: for it was called Mizraim or Egypt of Mizraim, that was the son of Ham.

53 g That is, they had none occasion to fear, forasmuch as God destroyed their enemies and delivered them safely.

54 h Meaning Canaan, which God had consecrate to himself, and appointed to his people.

55 *Josh. 11.10 and 13.7.

57 i Nothing more displeases God in the children, then when they continue in the wickedness, which their fathers had begun.

58 k By serving God otherwise then he had appointed.

60 l For their ingratitude he suffered the Philistims to take the Ark, which was the sign of his presence, from among them.

61 m The Ark is called his power and beauty, because thereby he defended his people, and beautifully appeared unto them.

63 n They were suddenly destroyed, 1 Sam. 4.10.

63 o They had no marriage songs: that is, they were not married.

64 p Either they were slain before or taken prisoners of their enemies, and so were forbidden.

65 q Because they were drunken in their sins, they judged God's patience to be a slumbering as though he were drunken: therefore he answering their beastly judgement, he says he will awaked and take sudden vengeance.

67 r Showing that he spared not altogether the Israelites, though he punished their enemies.

69 s By building the Temple and establishing the kingdom, he declared that the signs of his favor were among them.

72 t He shows wherein a King's charge stands: to wit, to provide faithfully for his people, to guide them by counsel, and defend them by power.

guided them by the discretion of his hands.

PSAL. 79.

1 *The Israelites complain to God for the great calamitie and oppression that they suffered by God's enemies, 8 And confessing their sins, flee to God's mercies with ful hope of deliverance, 10 Because their calamities were joined with the contempt of his Name, 13 For the which they promise to be thankful.*

¶ A Psalme committed to Asáph.

Ⓟ God, ^athe heathen are come into thine inheritance: thine holie Temple have they defiled, and made Jerusalém heaps of stones.

2 The ^bdead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto fowls of the heaven: and the flesh of thy Saints unto the beasts of the earth.

3 Their blood have they shed like waters round about Jerusalém, and there was none to ^cbury them.

4 We are a reproach to our ^dneighbors, even a scorn & derision unto them that are round about us.

5 Lord, how long wilt thou be angry for ever? shal thy jealousy ^eburn like fire?

6 *Pour out thy wrath upon the heathen that have not known thee, & upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy Name.

7 For they have devoured Jaakób and made his dwelling place desolate.

8 Remember not against us the ^fformer iniquities, but ^gmake haste and let thy tender mercies prevent us: for we are in great misery.

9 Help us, ô God of our ^hsalvation, for the glory of thy Name, and deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins for thy name's sake.

10 Wherefore should the heathen say, Where is their God? let him be known among the heathen in our sight by the vengeance of the blood of thy servants that is shed.

11 Let the sighing of the ⁱprisoners come before thee: according to thy mighty arm preserve ^kthe children of death,

12 And render to our neighbors sevenfold into their bosom their reproach, wherewith they have reproached thee, ô Lord.

13 So we thy people, and sheep of thy pasture shal praise thee for ever: and from generation to generation ^lwe will set forth thy praise.

PSAL. 80.

1 a The people cry unto God against the barbarous tyranny of the Babylonians, who spoiled God's inheritance, polluted his Temple, destroyed his religion, and murdered his people.

2 b The Prophet shows to what extremities God suffers sometimes his Church to fall, to exercise their faith before he set to his hand to deliver them.

3 c Their friends & kinsfolks dare not bury them for fear of the enemies.

4 d Whereof some came of Abraham, but were degenerate: and others were open enemies to your religion, but they both laughed at our miseries.

5 e Will you utterly consume us for our sins, before you take us to mercy?

6 *Jer. 10.25.

8 f Which we and our fathers have committed.

8 g And stay not till we have recompensed for our sins.

9 h Seeing we have none other Savior neither can we help ourselves, and also by our salvation your Name shalbe praised, therefore, o Lord, help us.

11 i Who though in respect of God they were justly punished for their sins, yet in consideration of their cause, were unjustly murdered.

11 k Which were captives among their enemies, and could look for nothing but death.

13 l We ought to desire no benefit of God, but on this condition to praise his Name, Isa. 43.21.

1 A lamentable prayer to God to help the miseries of his Church, 8 Desiring him to consider their first estate, when his favor shined towards them, to the intent that he might finish that work which he had begonne.

¶ To him that excelleth on Shoshannim Edúth. A Psalme committed to Asáph.

Ⓟ Ear, ^aô thou Shepherd of Israél, thou that ledest Joséph like sheep: shew thy brightness, thou that sittest between the ^bCherubims.

2 Before Ephraím & Benjamín & Manasséh stir up thy strength, and come to help us.

3 ^cTurn us again, ô God, and cause thy face to shine that we may be saved.

4 O Lord God of hostes, how long wilt thou be ^dangry against the prayer of thy people?

5 Thou hast fed them with the bred of tears, and given them tears to drink with great measure.

6 Thou hast made us a ^estrife unto our neighbors, and our enemies laugh at us among them selves.

7 ^fTurn us again, ô God of hostes: cause thy face to shine, and we shalbe saved.

8 Thou hast brought a ^gvine out of Egypt: thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.

9 Thou madest rouse for it, and didest cause it to take root, and it filled the land.

10 The mountains were covered with the shadow of it, and the boughs thereof were like the ^hgoodlie cedars.

11 She stretched out her branches unto the Sea, and her boughs unto the ⁱRiver.

12 Why hast thou ^{then} broken down her hedges, so that all they, which pass by the way, have plucked her?

13 The wild ^jboar out of the wood hath destroyed it, and the wild beasts of the field have eaten it up.

14 Return we beseech thee, ô God of hostes: look down ^kfrom heaven and behold and visit this vine,

15 And the vineyard, that thy right hand hath planted, and the young vine, ^{which} thou madest ^lstrong for thy self.

16 It is burnt with fyer and cut down: and they perish at the ^mrebuke of thy countenance.

17 Let thine hand be upon the ⁿman of thy right hand, and upon the son of man, ^{whom} thou madest strong for thine own self.

1 a This psalm was made as a prayer for to desire God to be merciful to the ten tribes.

1 b Move their hearts that they may return to worship God aright, that is in the place where you have appointed.

3 c Join your whole people and all your tribes together again.

4 d The faithful fear God's anger, when they perceive that their prayers are not forthwith heard.

6 e Our neighbors have continual strife and war against us.

7 f Because that repentance only comes of God, they most instantly and oft times call to God for it as a mean, whereby they shalbe saved.

8 g Seeing that of your mercy you have made us a most dear possession to you, and we through our sins are made open for wild beasts to devour us, declare again your love and finish the work that you have begun.

10 ^hEbr., Cedars of God.

11 h To wit, Euphrates.

13 i That is, as well they that hate our religion as they that hate our persons.

14 k They give not place to tentation, knowing that albeit there were no help in earth, yet God was able to succor them from heaven.

15 l So that no power can prevail against it, and which as a young bud you raised up again as out of the burnt ashes.

16 m Only when you are angry, and not with the sword of the enemy.

17 n That is, upon this vine, or people, whom you have planted with your right hand, that they should be as one man or one body.

18 So wil not we go back from thee: ^orevive thou us, and we shal call upon thy Name.

19 Turn us again, ô Lord God of hostes: cause thy face to shine and we shalbe saved.

PSAL. 81.

1 An exhortation to praise God both in heart and voice for his benefits, 8 And to worship him only 11 God condemneth their ingratitude, 12 And sheweth what great benefits they have lost through their own malice.

¶ To him that excelleth upon ^aGittith. A psalme committed to Asáph.

Sing ^bjoyfully unto God our strength: sing loud unto the God of Jaakób. 2 Take the song and bring forth the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the viole. 3 Blow the trumpet in the ^cnewmoon, *even* in the time appointed, at our feastday.

4 For this is a statute for Israél, *and* a Law of the God of Jaakób. 5 He set this in ^dJoséph for a testimony, when he came out of the land of Egypt, *where* I heard a language, that ^eI understood not.

6 I have withdrawn his shoulder from the burden, *and* his hands have left the ^fpots.

7 Thou calledst in affliction and I delivered thee, *and* ^ganswered thee in the secret of the thunder: I proved thee at the waters of ^hMeribáh. Sélah.

8 ^hHear, ô my people, and I will protest unto thee: ô Israél, if thou wilt hearken unto me,

9 Let there be no strange god in thee, neither worship thou any strange god.

10 For I am the Lord thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: ⁱopen thy mouth wide and I will fill it.

11 But my people would not hear my voice, and Israél would none of me.

12 So I gave them up unto the hardness of their heart, *and* they have walked in their own counsels.

13 ^kOh that my people had hearkened unto me, *and* Israél had walked in my ways.

14 I would soon have humbled their enemies, and turned mine hand ^lagainst their adversaries.

15 The haters of the Lord should have been subject unto him, and their time ^mshould have endured for ever.

18 o For none can call upon God, but such as are raised up, as it were, from death to life and regenerate by the holy Spirit.

Psalme 81

a An instrument of music brought from Gath.

1 b It seems that this psalm was appointed for solemn feasts and assemblies of the people, to whom for a time these ceremonies were ordained, but now under the Gospel are abolished.

3 c Under this feast he comprehends all other solemn days.

5 d That is, in Israel: for Joseph's family was counted the chief before that Judah was preferred.

5 e God speaks in the person of the people, because he was their leader.

6 f If they were never able to give sufficient thanks to God for this deliverance from corporal bondage, how much more are we indebted to him for our spiritual deliverance from the tyranny of Satan and sin?

7 g By a strange and wonderful fashion.

7 ^hOr, contention, Ex. 17.7.

8 h He condemns all assemblies, where the people are not attentive to hear God's voice, and to give obedience to the same.

10 i God accuses their incredulity, because they opened not their mouths to receive God's benefits in such abundance as he poured them out.

13 k God by his word calls all, but his secret election appoints, who shall hear with fruit.

14 l If their sins had not letted.

15 m If the Israelites had not broken covenant with God, he would have given them victory against their enemies.

16 And God would have fed them with the ⁿfat of wheat, and with honey out of the rock would I have sufficed thee.

PSAL. 82.

1 The Prophet declaring God to be present among the Judges and Magistrates, 2 Reproveth their partiality, 3 And exhorteth them to do justice 5 But seeing none amendment, 8 He desireth God to undertake the matter and execute justice him self.

¶ A Psalme committed to Asáph.

God standeth in the assembly of ^agods: he judgeth among gods. 2 How long will ye judge unjustly, and accept the persons of the ^bwicked? Sélah.

3 Do right to the poor and fatherless: do justice to the poor and needy.

4 Deliver the poor and ^cneedy: save *them* from the hand of the wicked.

5 They know not and understand nothing: they walk in darkness, *albeit* all the ^dfoundations of the earth be moved.

6 I have said, Ye are gods, & ye all are children of the most High.

7 ^eBut ye shal die as a man, and ye princes, shal fall like others.

8 O God, arise, *therefore* judge thou the earth: for thou shalt inherit ^fall nations.

PSAL. 83.

1 The people of Israél pray unto the Lord to deliver them from their enemies both at home and far off, which imagined nothing but their destruction, 9 And they desire that all such wicked people may, according as God was accustomed, be stricken with the stormy tempest of God's wrath, 18 That they may know that the Lord is most high upon the earth.

¶ A song, or Psalme committed to Asáph.

Keep ^anot thou silence, ô God: be not still and cease not, ô God. 2 For lo, thine ^benemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee, have lifted up the head.

3 They have taken craftie counsel against thy people, and have consulted against thy ^csecret ones.

4 They have said, Come and let us ^dcut them off from being a nation: and let the name of Israél be no more in remembrance.

5 For they have consulted together ^ein heart, *and* have made a league ^fagainst thee:

6 The tabernacle of Edóm, and the Ishmaelites, Moáb and the Agarims:

16 n That is, with most fine wheat and abundance of honey.

Psalme 82

1 a The Prophet shows that if princes and judges do not their duty, God, whose authority is above them, will take vengeance on them.

2 b For thieves and murders find favor in judgement, when the cause of the godly cannot be heard.

4 c Not only when they cry for help, but when their cause requires aid and support.

5 d That is, all things are out of order, either by their tyranny or careless negligence.

7 e No title of honor shall excuse you, but you shalbe subject to God's judgement, and render a compt (account) as well as other men.

8 f Therefore no tyrant shall pluck your right and authority from you.

Psalme 83

1 a This psalm seems to have been composed, as a form of prayer against the dangers that the Church was in in the days of Joshaphat.

2 b He calls them God's enemies, which are enemies to his Church.

3 c The elect of God are his secret ones: for he hides them in the secret of his tabernacle, and preserves them from all dangers.

4 d They were not content to take the Church as prisoner, but sought utterly to destroy it.

5 e By all secret means.

5 f They thought to have subverted your counsel, wherein the perpetuity of the Church was established.

7 Gebál and Ammón, and Amaléch, the Philistims with the inhabitants of [^]Tyrus:
 8 Asshúr also is joined with them: they have been an arm to the children ^of Lot. Sélah.
 9 Do thou to them as unto the ^hMidianites: as to Siserá *and* as to Jabín at the river of Kishón.
 10 They perished at En-dór, *and* were ⁱdongue for the earth.
 11 Make them, *even* their princes like *Oréb and like Zeéb: yea, all their princes like Zébah and like Zalmuná.
 12 Which have said, Let us take for our possession the ^khabitations of God.
 13 O my God, make them like unto a ^lwheel, *and* as the stubble before the wind.
 14 As the fyer burneth the forest, and as the flame setteth the mountains of fyer:
 15 So persecute them with thy tempest, and make them afraid with thy storm.
 16 Fill their faces with shame, that they maie ^mseek thy Name, ô Lord.
 17 Let them be confounded and troubled for ever: yea, let them be put to shame and perish,
 18 That they maie ⁿknow that thou, which art called Jehováh, art alone, *even* the most High over all the earth.

PSAL. 84.

1 David driven forth of his country, 2 Desireth most ardently to come again to the Tabernacle of the Lord and the assemble of the Saints to praise God, 4 Pronouncing them blessed that maie so do. 6 Then he praiseth the courage of the people, that pass through the wilderness to assemble them selves in Zión 10 Finally with praise of this matter and confidence of God's goodness he endeth the Psalme.

¶ *To him that excelleth upon Gittith. A Psalme committed to the sons of Kórah.*

Ⓛ ^aLord of hostes, how amiable *are* thy Tabernacles! 2 My soul longeth, yea, and fainteth for the ^bcourts of the Lord: for mine heart and my flesh rejoyce in the living God.
 3 Yea, the sparrow hath found *her* an house, and the swallow a nest for her, where she maie lay her young: *even* by thine ^caltars, ô Lord of hostes, my King *and* my God.
 4 Blessed *are* they that dwell in thine house: they will ever praise thee, Sélah.
 5 Blessed *is* the man, whose ^dstrength *is* in thee, *and* in whose heart *are* thy ways.

7 [^]Or, Zor.

8 ^g The wickedness of the Ammonites and Moabites is described, in that they provoked these other nations to fight against the Israelites their brethren.

9 ^h By these examples, they were confirmed that God would not suffer his people to be utterly destroyed, Jud. 7.21 and 4.15.

10 ⁱ Trodden under feet as mire.

11 *Jud. 7.25, 8.21.

12 ^k That is, Judea: for where his Church is, there dwells he among them.

13 ^l Because the reprobate could by no means be amended, he prays that they may utterly be destroyed, be unstable and led with all winds.

16 ^m That is, be compelled by your plagues to confess your power.

18 ⁿ Though they believe not, yet they may prove by experience, that it is in vain to resist against your counsel in establishing your Church.

Psalme 84

1 ^a David complains that he cannot have access to the Church of God to make profession of his faith and to profit in religion.

2 ^b For none but the priests could enter in to the Sanctuary, and the rest of the people into the courts.

3 ^c So that the poor birds have more liberty then I.

5 ^d Who trusts nothing in himself, but in you only, and learns of you to rule his life.

6 They going through the vale of ^eBacá, make wells therein: the rain also covereth the pools.

7 They go from ^tstrength to strength, *till every one* appear before God in Zión.

8 O Lord God of hostes, hear my prayer: hearken, ô God of Jaakób, Sélah.

9 Behold, ô God, our shield, and look upon the face of thine ^oAnointed.

10 For ^ha daie in thy courts is better then a thousand *other where*, I had rather be a doorkeeper in the House of my God, then to dwell in the tabernacles of wickedness.

11 For the Lord God is the sun and shield *unto us*: the Lord wil give grace and glory, and no ^good thing wil he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

12 O Lord of hostes, blessed *is* the man that trusteth in thee.

PSALM. 85.

1 Because God withdrew not his rods from his Church after their return from Babylon: first they put him in mind of their deliverance, to the intent that he should not leave the work of his grace unperfite, 5 Next they complain of their long affliction: 8 And thirdly they rejoyce in hope of felicity promised. 9 For their deliverance was a figure of Christ's kingdom, under the which should be perfect felicity.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme committed to the sons of Kórah.*

Ⓛ Ord, thou hast been ^afavorable unto thy land: thou hast brought again the captivity of Jaakób. 2 Thou hast forgotten the iniquity of thy people, *and* ^bcovered all their sins. Sélah.

3 Thou hast withdrawn all thine anger, and hast turned back from the ^cfierceness of thy wrath.

4 Turn us, ô God of our salvation, and release thine anger towards us.

5 Wilt thou be angry with us ^dforever? *and* wilt thou prolong thy wrath from one generation to another?

6 Wilt thou not turn again *and* quicken us, that thy people maie rejoyce in thee?

7 Shewe us thy mercie, ô Lord, and grant us thy ^esalvation.

8 I will hearken what the Lord God wil saie: for he wil speak ^fpeace unto his people, and to his Saints, that they turn not again to folly.

9 Surely his salvation is near to them that fear him, that glory maie dwell in our land.

6 ^e That is, of mulberry trees which was a barren place: so that they which passed through, must dig pits for water: signifying that no lets can hinder them that are fully bent to come to Christ's Church, neither yet that God will ever fail them.

7 ^f They are never weary, but increase in strength and courage till they come to God's House.

9 ^g That is, for Christ's sake, whose figure I represent.

10 ^h He would wish to live but one day rather in God's Church, then a thousand among the worldlings.

11 ⁱ But will from time to time increase his blessings towards his more and more.

Psalme 85

1 ^a They confess that God's free mercy was the cause of their deliverance, because he loved the land, which he had chosen.

2 ^b You have buried them that they shall not come into judgement.

3 ^c Not only in withdrawing your rod, but in forgiving our sins, and in touching our hearts to confess them.

5 ^d As in times past they had felt God's mercies, so now being oppressed by the long continuance of evils, they pray unto God, that according to his nature he would be merciful unto them.

7 ^e He confesses that our salvation comes only from God's mercy.

8 ^f He will send all prosperity to his Church, when he has sufficiently corrected them, also by his punishments the faithful shall learn to beware that they return not to like offenses.

10 Mercie and trueth shall meet: righteousness and peace shall kiss *one another*.

11 ⁹Trueth shal bud out of the earth, and righteousness shal look down from heaven.

12 Yea, the Lord shal give good things, and our land shal give her increase.

13 ^hRighteousness shal go before him, and shal set her steps in the way.

PSAL. 86.

1 David sore afflicted and forsaken of all, prayeth fervently for deliverance: sometimes rehearing his miseries, 5 Sometimes the mercies received, 11 Desiring also to be instructed of the Lord, that he maie fear him & glorify his Name. He complaineth also of his adversaries, and requireth to be delivered from them.

¶ *A Prayer of David.*

Incline ^athine ear, ô Lord, *and* hear me: for I am poor and needie. 2 Preserve thou my soul, for I am ^bmerciful: my God, save thou thy servant, that trusteth in thee.

3 Be merciful unto me, ô Lord: for I ^ccry upon thee continually.

4 Rejoyce the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, ô Lord, do I lift up my soul.

5 For thou, Lord, art good and ^dmerciful, and of great kindness unto all them, that call upon thee.

6 Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer, and ^ehearken to the voice of my supplication.

7 In the day of my trouble I wil call upon thee: for thou hearest me.

8 Among the gods there is none like thee, ô Lord, and there ^fis none *that can do* like thy works.

9 All nations, whom thou hast made, shal come and ^gworship before thee, ô Lord, and shal glorify thy Name.

10 For thou art great and doest wonderous things: thou art God alone.

11 ^hTeach me thy way, ô Lord, *and* I wil walk in thy truth: knit mine heart unto thee, that I maie fear thy Name.

12 I wil praise thee, ô Lord my God, with all mine heart: yea, I will glorify thy Name for ever.

13 For great is thy mercie toward me, and thou hast delivered my soul from ⁱthe lowest grave.

14 O God, the proud are risen against me, & the assemblies of

11 g Though for a time God thus exercise them with his rods, yet under the kingdom of Christ they should have peace and joy.

13 h Justice shall then flourish and have free course and passage in every place.

Psalm 86

1 a David persecuted of Saul, thus prayed, leaving the same to the Church as a monument, how to seek redress against their miseries.

2 b I am not enemy to them, but pity them, though they be cruel toward me.

3 c Which was a sure token that he believed that God would deliver him.

5 d He does confess that God is good to all, but only merciful to poor sinners.

6 e By crying and calling continually, he shows how we may not be weary, though God grant not forthwith our request, but that we must earnestly, and often call upon him.

8 f He condemns all idols, forasmuch as they can do no works to declare that they are gods.

9 g This proves that David prayed in the name of Christ the Messiah, of whose kingdom he does here prophecy.

11 h He confesses himself ignorant till God had taught him, and his heart variable and separate from God, till God join it to him and confirm it in his obedience.

13 i That is, from most great danger of death: out of the which none, but only the mighty hand of God, could deliver him.

violent men have ^ksought my soul, and have not set thee before them.

15 But thou, ô Lord, art a pitiful God and merciful, slow to anger and great in kindness and truth.

16 Turn unto me, and have mercy upon me: give thy strength unto thy servant, and save the ^lson of thine handmaid.

17 Shewe a token of *thy* goodness toward me, that they which hate me, maie see it, and be ashamed, because thou, ô Lord, hast holpen me and comforted me.

PSAL. 87.

1 The holie Gost promiseth that the condition of the Church, which was in miserie after the captivity of Babylon, should be restored to great excellencie, 4 So that there should be nothing more comfortable then to be nombred among the members thereof.

¶ *A Psalme or song committed to the sons of Kórah.*

God laied his ^afoundacions among the holie mountains. 2 The Lord loveth the gates of Ziôn above all the habitations of Jaakób.

3 ^bGlorious things are spoken of thee, ô Citie of God. Sélah.

4 I wil make mention of ^cRaháb & Babél among them that know me: behold Palestina and Tyrus with Ethiopia, ^dThere is he born.

5 And of Ziôn it shalbe said, ^eMany are born in her: and he, *even* the most High shal stablish her.

6 The Lord shal count, when he ^fwriteth the people, He was born there. Sélah.

7 Aswel the singers as the plaiers on instruments *shal praise thee*: all my ^gsprings *are* in thee.

PSALM. 88.

1A grievous complaint of the faithful, sore afflicted by sickness, persecutions and adversity: 7 Being as it were left of God without anie consolation 13 Yet he calleth on God by faith and striveth against desperation. 18 Complaining him self to be forsaken of all earthlie help.

¶ *A song or Psalme of *Hemán the Ezrahite to give instruction, committed to the sons of Kórah for him that excelleth upon Maláth ^aLeannoth.*

14 k He shows that there can be no moderation nor equity, where proud tyrants reign and that the lack of God's fear is as a privilege to all vice and cruelty.

16 l He boasts not of his own virtues, but confesses that God of his free goodness has ever been merciful unto him and given him power against his enemies, as to one of his own household.

Psalm 87

1 a God did choose that place among the hills to establish Jerusalem and his Temple.

3 b Though your glorious estate does not yet appear, yet wait with patience and God will accomplish his promise.

4 c That is, Egypt and these other countries shall come to the knowledge of God.

4 d It shalbe said of him, that is regenerate and come to the Church, that he is as one that was born in the Church.

5 e Out of all quarters they shall come into the Church and be counted as citizens.

6 f When he calls by his word them into the Church, whom he had elected and written in his book.

7g The Prophet sets his whole affections and comfort in the Church.

Psalm 88

*1King 4.31, Psalm 53.

a That is, to humble. It was the beginning of a song, by the tune whereof this Psalm was sung.

Ⓛ Lord God of my salvation, I cry day *and* night ^bbefore thee.
 2 Let my prayer enter into thy presence: incline thine ear unto my cry.
 3 For my soul is filled with evils, and my life draweth near to the grave.
 4 I am counted among them that go down unto the pit, *and* am as a man without strength:
 5 ^cFree among the dead, like the slain lying in the grave, whom thou remembrest no more, and they are cut off from thine ^dhand.
 6 Thou hast laied me in the lowest pit, in darkness, *and* in the deep.
 7 Thine indignation lieth upon me, and thou hast vexed me with all thy ^ewaves. Sélah.
 8 Thou hast put away mine ^facquaintance far from me, & made me to be abhorred of them: ^gI am shut up, and can not get forth.
 9 ^hMine eye is sorrowful through mine affliction: Lord, I call daily upon thee: I stretch out mine hands unto thee.
 10 Wilt thou shewe ⁱa miracle to the dead? or shal the dead rise *and* praise thee? Sélah.
 11 Shall thy loving kindness be declared in the grave? or thy faithfulness in destruction?
 12 Shal thy wonderous works be knowen in the dark? and thy righteousness in the land ^kof oblivion?
 13 But unto thee have I cryed, ô Lord, and early shal my praier come before thee.
 14 Lord, why doest thou reject my soul, *and* hidest thy face from me?
 15 I am afflicted and at the point of death: ^lfrom *my* youth I suffer thy terrors, douting *of my life*.
 16 Thine indignations go over me, and thy fear hath cut me off.
 17 They came round about me daiely like water, & compassed me together.
 18 My lovers and friends hast thou put away from me, *and* mine acquaintance ^mhid them selves.

PSAL. 89.

2 With many words doeth the Prophet praise the goodness of God, 23 For his testament and covenant, that he had made between him and his elect by Jesus Christ the son of David: 38 Then doeth he complain of the great ruin, and desolation of the kingdom of David, so that to the outward appearance the promise was broken 46 Finally he praieith to be delivered from his afflictions, making mention of the shortness of man's life, and confirming him self by God's promises.

¶ *A Psalme to give instruction, of Ethán the Ezrahite.*

1 ^b Though many cry in their sorrows, yet they cry not earnestly to God for remedy as he did: whom he confessed to be the author of his salvation
 5 ^c For he that is dead, is free from all cares and business of this life: and thus he says because he was unprofitable for all matters concerning man's life, and as it were cut off from this world.
 5 ^d That is, from your providence and care, which is meant according to the judgement of the flesh.
 7 ^e The storms of your wrath have overwhelmed me.
 8 ^f He attributes the loss and displeasure of his friends to God's providence, whereby he partly punishes and partly tries his.
 8 ^g I see none end of my sorrows.
 9 ^h My eyes and face declare my sorrows.
 10 ⁱ He shows that the time is more convenient for God to help when men call unto him in their dangers then to tarry till they be dead and then raise them up again.
 12 ^k That is, in the grave, where only the body lies without all sense and remembrance.
 15 ^l I am ever in great dangers and sorrows, as though my life should utterly be cut off every moment.
 18 ^m Ébr., were in darkness.

Ⓙ Wil ^asing the mercies of the Lord for ever: with my mouth wil I declare thy trueth from generation to generation. 2 For I ^bsaid, Mercy shalbe set up for ever: thy trueth shalt thou ^cstablish in the verie heavens.
 3 ^dI have made a covenant with my chosen: I have sworn to David my servant,
 4 Thy seed wil I stablish for ever, and set up thy throne from generation to generation. Sélah.
 5 O Lord, even the ^eheavens shal praise thy wonderous work: yea, thy truth in the ^fCongregation of the Saints.
 6 For who is equal to the Lord in the heaven! *and who* is like the Lord among the ^gsonnes of the gods!
 7 God is verie terrible in the assembly of the ^hSaints, and to be revered above all, *that are* about him.
 8 O Lord God of hostes, who is like unto thee, *which art* a mighty Lord, and thy truth *is* about thee!
 9 ⁱThou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them.
 10 Thou hast beaten down Raháb as a man slain: thou hast scattered thine enemies with thy mighty arm.
 11 The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine: thou hast laied the foundation of the world, and all that therein is.
 12 Thou hast created the North and the South: ^kTabór and Hermón shal rejoyce in thy Name.
 13 Thou hast a mightie arm: strong is thine hand, *and* high is thy right hand.
 14 ^lRighteousness and equity *are* the stablishment of thy throne: mercie and truth go before thy face.
 15 Blessed *is* the people, that can ^mrejoyce *in thee*: they shal walk in the light of thy ⁿcountenance, ô Lord.
 16 They shal rejoyce continually in thy Name, & in thy righteousness shal they exalt them selves.
 17 For thou art the ^oglorie of their strength, and by thy favor our horns shalbe exalted.
 18 For our ^pshield *apperteineth* to the Lord, and our King to the Holie one of Israël.
 19 Thou spakest then in a vision unto ^qthine Holie one, and saidest, I have laied help upon one that is ^rmighty: I have exalted one chosen out of the people.

1 ^a Though the horrible confusion of things might cause them to despair of God's favor: yet the manifold examples of his mercies cause them to trust in God, though to man's judgement they saw none occasion.

2 ^b As he that surely believed in heart.

2 ^c As your invisible heaven is not subject to any alteration and change: so shall the truth of your promise be unchangeable.

3 ^d The Prophet shows what was the promise of God, whereunto he grounded his faith.

5 ^e The Angels shall praise your power and faithfulness in delivering your Church.

5 ^f That is, in the heavens.

6 ^g Meaning, the Angels.

7 ^h If the Angels tremble before God's majesty and infinite justice, what earthly creature by oppressing the Church, dare set himself against God?

9 ⁱ For as he delivered the Church by the red Sea, and by destroying Rahab, that is, the Egyptians: so will he estsone (soon after) deliver it, when the dangers be great.

12 ^k Tabor is a mountain westward from Jerusalem, and Hermon eastward: so the Prophet signifies that all parts and places of the world shall obey God's power for the deliverance of his Church.

14 ^l For hereby he judges the world and shows himself a merciful Father and faithful protector unto his.

15 ^m Feeling in their conscience that God is their Father.

15 ⁿ They shall be preserved by your Fatherly providence.

17 ^o In that they are preserved and continue, they ought to give the praise and glory only to you.

18 ^p In that that our King has power to defend us, it is the gift of God.

19 ^q To Samuel & to others, to assure that David was your chosen one.

19 ^r Whom I have both chosen and given him strength to execute his office, as verse 21.

20 I have found David my servant: with mine holie oyle have I anointed him.
 21 Therefore mine hand shalbe established with him, and mine arm shal strengthen him.
 22 The enemy shal not oppress him, neither shal the wicked hurt him.
 23 But I wil ^sdestroy his foes before his face, and plague them that hate him.
 24 My trueth also and my ^tmercie shalbe with him, and in my Name shal his ^uhonor be exalted.
 25 I wil set his hand also in the sea, and his right hand in the ^xfloods.
 26 He shal crye unto me, Thou art my ^yFather, my God and the rock of my salvation.
 27 Also I wil make him my first born, higher then the Kings of the earth.
 28 My mercie wil I keep for him for evermore, and my covenant shal stand fast with him.
 29 His seed also wil I make to endure ^zfor ever, and his throne as the days of heaven.
 30 *But* if his children forsake my Law, and walk not in my judgments:
 31 **If* they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments:
 32 Then wil I visit their transgression with the rod, and their iniquity with strokes.
 33 ^aYet my loving kindness wil I not take from him, neither wil I falsify my trueth.
 34 My covenant wil I not break, nor ^balter the thing that is gone out of my lips.
 35 I have sworn once by mine holiness, [^]that I wil not fail David, *saying*,
 36 His seed shal endure for ever, and his throne shalbe as the sun before me.
 37 He shalbe established for evermore as the moon, and as a faithful [^]witness in the heaven. Sélah.
 38 But thou hast rejected and abhorred, thou hast been angry with thine Anointed.
 39 Thou hast ^dbroken the covenant of thy servant, *and* profaned his ^ecrown, *casting it* on the ground.
 40 Thou hast broken down all his walls: thou hast layed his fortresses in ruin.
 41 All that go by the way, spoil him: he is a rebuke unto his neighbors.

23 s Though there shall be evermore enemies against God's kingdom, yet he promises to overcome them.

24 t I will mercifully perform my promises to him, notwithstanding his infirmities and offenses.

24 u His power, glory and estate.

25 x He shall enjoy the land round about.

26 y His excellent dignity shall appear herein that he shall be named the son of God, and the first born, wherein he is a figure of Christ.

29 z Though for the sins of the people the state of this kingdom decayed: yet God reserved still a root, till he had accomplished this promise in Christ.

31 *2 Sam. 7.14.

33 a Though the faithful answer not in all points to their profession, yet God will not break his covenant with them.

34 b For God in promising has respect to his mercy and not to man's power in performing.

35 [^]Ebr., if I lie unto David: which is a manner of oath.

37 c As long as the sun and moon endure, they shall be witnesses to me of this promise.

39 d Because of the horrible confusion of things, the Prophet complains to God as though he saw not the performance of his promise, and thus discharging he cares on God, he resists doubt and impatency.

39 e By this he means the horrible dissipation and renting of the kingdom, which was under Jeroboam: or else by the Spirit of prophecy Ethan speaks of those great miseries, which came soon afterward to pass at the captivity of Babylon.

42 Thou hast set up the right hand of his enemies, *and* made all his adversaries to rejoyce.

43 Thou hast also turned the edge of his sword, and hast not made him to stand in the battle.

44 Thou hast caused his dignity to decay, and cast his throne to the ground.

45 The days of his ^youth hast thou shortened, *and* covered him with shame. Sélah.

46 [^]Lord, how long wilt thou hide thy self, for ever? shal thy wrath burn like fire?

47 Remember ^hof what time I am: wherefore shuldest thou create in vain all the children of men?

48 What man liveth, and shal not see death? shal he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Sélah.

49 Lord, where are thy former mercies, *which* thou swarest unto David in thy trueth?

50 Remember, ^ô Lord, the rebuke of thy servants, which I bear in my ⁱbosom of all the mightie people.

51 For ^kthine enemies have reproached *thee*, ^ô Lord, because they have reproached the ^lfootsteps of thine Anointed.

52 Praised *be* the Lord for evermore. So be it, even so be it.

Book 4 Psalms 90 – 99

PSAL. 90.

1 Mosés in his prayer setteth before us the eternal favor of God toward his, *3* Who are neither admonished by the brevité of their life, *7* Nor by his plagues to be thankful, *12* Therefore Mosés praieth God to turn their hearts and continue his mercies toward them, and their posterity for ever.

¶ *A praier of Mosés, the ^aman of God.*

Lord, thou hast been our ^bhabitation from generation to generation. *2* Before the ^cmountains were made, & *before* thou hadest formed the earth, and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting thou art *our* God.

3 Thou ^dturnest man to destruction: again thou saiest, Return, ye sons of Adám.

4 ^eFor a thousand years in thy sight *are* as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

5 Thou hast ^foverflowed them: they are as a sleep: in the morning he growth like the grass:

6 In the morning it florisheth and groweth, *but* in the evening it is cut down and withereth.

45 f He shows that the kingdom failed before it came to perfection or was ripe.

46 g The Prophet in joining prayer with his complaint, shows that his faith never failed.

47 h Seeing man's life is short, and you have created man to bestow your benefits upon him, except you haste to help, death will prevent you.

50 i He means that God's enemies did not only slander him behind his back: but also mocked him to his face, and as it were cast their injuries in his bosom.

51 k So he calls them that persecute the Church.

51 l They laugh at us, which patiently wait for the coming of your Christ.

Psalm 90

a Thus the Scripture used to call the Prophets.

1 b You have been as an house and defence unto us in all our troubles and travails now this four hundred years.

2 c You have chosen us to be your people before the foundations of the world were laid.

3 d Moses by lamenting the frailty and shortness of man's life moves God to pity.

4 e Though man think his life long, which is indeed most short, yea, though it were a thousand years: yet in God's sight it is as nothing, and as the watch that lasts but three hours.

5 f You take them away suddenly as with a flood.

7 For we ⁹are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.
 8 Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, *and* our secret sinnes in the light of thy countenance.
 9 For all our days are past in thine anger: we have ^hspent our years as a thought.
 10 The time of our life *is* threescore years and ten, and if they be of strength, ⁱfour score years: yet their strength *is* but labor and sorrow, for it is cut off quickly, and we flee away.
 11 ^kWho knoweth the power of thy wrath? for according to thy fear *is* thine anger.
 12 Teach us so to number our days, that we maie apply *our* hearts unto ^lwisdom.
 13 Return (ô Lord, ^mhow long?) and be [^]pacified toward thy servants.
 14 Fill us with thy mercy in the morning: so shal we rejoyce and be glad all our days.
 15 Comfort us according to the days that thou hast afflicted us, *and according* to the years that we have seen evil.
 16 ⁿLet thy work be seen toward thy servants, and thy glory upon their ^ochildren.
 17 And let the ^pbeautie of the Lord our God be upon us, and ^qdirect thou the work of our hands upon us, even direct the work of our hands.

PSAL. 91.

1 Here is described in what assurance he liveth that putteth his whole trust in God, & committeth him self wholly to his protection in all tentations. 14 A promise of God to those that love him, know him and trust in him, to deliver them, & give them immortal glory.

WHoso dwelleth in the ^asecret of the most High, shal abide in the shadow of the Almighty. 2 ^bI wil say unto the Lord, O mine hope, and my fortress: *he is* my God, in him wil I trust.
 3 Surely he wil deliver thee from the ^csnare of the hunter, *and* from the noisome pestilence.
 4 He wil cover thee under his wings, and thou shalt be sure under his feathers: his ^dtruth shalbe thy shield and buckler.
 5 ^eThou shalt not be afraid of the fear of the night, *nor* of the arrow that flieth by day:
 6 *Nor* of the pestilence that walketh in the darkness: *nor* of the

7 ^gYou call us by your rods to consider the shortness of our life, and for our sins you abridge our days.
 8 ^hOur days are not only short, but miserable, forasmuch as our sins daily provoke your wrath.
 9 ⁱMeaning, according to the common state of life.
 10 ^kIf man's life for the brevity be miserable, much more, if your wrath lie upon it, as they, which fear you only know.
 11 ^lWhich is by considering the shortness of our life and by meditating the heavenly joys.
 12 ^mMeaning, will you be angry?
 13 [^]Or, take comfort in your servants.
 14 ⁿEven your mercy, which is your chiefest work.
 15 ^oAs God's promises appertained aswel to their posterity, as to them, so Moses prayed for the posterity.
 16 ^pMeaning that it was obscured, when he ceased to do good to his Church.
 17 ^qFor except you guide us with your holy Spirit, our enterprises can have no good success.

Psalms 91

1 a He that makes God his defense and trust, shall perceive his protection to be a most sure safeguard.
 2 b Being assured of this protection he prays unto the Lord.
 3 c That is, God's help is most ready for us, whether Satan assail us secretly, which he calls a snare: or openly, which is here meant by the pestilence.
 4 d That is, his faithful keeping of promise to help you in your necessity.
 5 e The care that God has over his, is most sufficient to defend them from all dangers.

plague that destroyeth at noon day.
 7 A thousand shal fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand, *but* it shal not come near thee.
 8 Douteles with thine ^feyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.
 9 For thou *hast said*, The Lord *is* mine hope: thou hast set the most high for thy refuge.
 10 There shal none evil come unto thee, neither shal any plague come near thy tabernacle.
 11 ⁹For he shal give his Angels charge over thee to keep thee in all thy ways.
 12 They shal bear thee in their hands, that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.
 13 Thou shalt walk upon the lion & asp: the ^hyoung lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under feet.
 14 ⁱBecause he hath loved me, therefore wil I deliver him: I wil exalt him because he hath knowen my Name.
 15 He shal call upon me, and I wil hear him: I wil be with him in trouble: I wil deliver him, and glorifie him.
 16 With ^klong life wil I satisfy him, and shewe him my salvation.

PSAL. 92.

1 This psalme was made to be sung on the Sabbath, to stir up the people to acknowledge God and to praise him in his works: the Prophet rejoyceth therein, 6 But the wicked is not able to consider that the ungodlie, when he is most flourishing, shal most spedely perish. 12 In the end is described the felicity of the just, planted in the house of God to praise the Lord.

¶ A Psalme or song for the ^aSabbath daie.

IT is a good thing to praise the Lord, and to sing unto thy Name, ô most High, 2 To declare thy loving kindness in the ^bmorning, and thy truth in the night,
 3 Upon an ^cinstrument of ten strings, and upon the voile with the song upon the harp.
 4 For thou, Lord, hast made me glad by thy ^dworks, *and* I wil rejoyce in the works of thine hands.
 5 O Lord, how glorious are thy works! *and* thy thoughts are very deep.
 6 An ^eunwise man knoweth it not, & a fool doeth not understand this,
 7 (When the wicked grow as the grass, and all the workers of wickedness do flourish) that they shal be destroyed for ever.
 8 But thou, ô Lord, art ^fmost high for ever more.

8 ^fThe godly shall have some experience of God's judgements against the wicked even in this life, but fully they shall see it at the day, when all things shall be revealed.
 9 ^gGod has not appointed every man one Angel, but many to be ministers of his providence to keep his and defend them in their vocation, which is the way to walk in without tempting God.
 10 ^hYou shall not only be preserved from all evil, but overcome it whether it be secret or open.
 11 ⁱTo assure the faithful of God's protection, he brings in God to confirm the same.
 12 ^kFor he is contented with that life, that God gives: for by death the shortness of this life in recompensed with immortality.

Psalms 92

a Which teaches that the use of the Sabbath stands in praising God, and not only in ceasing from work.
 2 b For God's mercy and fidelity in his promises toward his, bind them to praise him continually both day and night.
 3 c These instruments were then permitted, but at Christ's coming abolished.
 4 d He shows what is the use of the Sabbath day: to wit, to meditate God's works.
 5 e That is, the wicked consider not God's works, nor his judgements against them, and therefore most justly perish.
 6 f Your judgements are most constant against the wicked and pass our reach.

9 For lo, thine enemies, ô Lord: for lo, thine enemies shal perish: all the workers of iniquity shalbe destroyed.
 10 ⁹But thou shalt exalt mine horn, like the unicorns, & I shalbe anointed with fresh oil.
 11 Mine eie also shal se *my desire* against mine enemies: and mine ears shal hear *my wish* against the wicked, that rise up against me.
 12 The righteous shal ^hflorish like a palm tre, *and* shal grow like a cedre in Lebanón.
 13 Such as be planted in the House of the Lord, shal florish in the courts of our God.
 14 They shal still bring forth fruit in *their*ⁱage: they shalbe fat and flourishing,
 15 To declare that the Lord my rock is righteous, and that none iniquity *is* in him.

PSAL. 93.

1 He praiseth the power of God in the creation of the world, and beateth down all people which lift them up against his majesty, 5 And provoketh to consider his promises.

The Lord ^areigneth, *and* is clothed with majesty: the Lord is clothed, *and* girded with power: the world also shalbe established, that it can not be moved.
 2 Thy ^bthrone is established of old: thou art from everlasting.
 3 ^cThe floods have lifted up, ô Lord: the floods have lifted up their voice: the floods lift up their waves.
 4 The waves of the sea *are* marvelous through the noise of many waters, *yet* the Lord on high is more mighty.
 5 Thy ^dtestimonies are very sure: holiness becommeth thine House, ô Lord, for ever.

PSAL. 94.

1 He praieth unto God against the Violence and arrogancie of tyrants, 10 Warning them of God's judgements 13 Then doeth he comfort the afflicted by the good issue of their affliction, as he felt in him self, and did see in others, and by the ruin of the wicked, 23 Whom the Lord wil destroy.

O Lord God ^athe advenger, ô God the advenger, shewe thy self ^bclearly. 2 Exalt thy self, ô Judge of the world, *and* render a reward to the proud. 3 Lord, how long shal the wicked, how long shal the wicked ^ctriumph?
 4 They prate *and* speak fiercely: all the workers of iniquity vante them selves.
 5 They ^dsmite down thy people, ô Lord, & trouble thine heritage.

10 ^gYou will strengthen them with all power, and bless them with all felicity.
 12 ^hThough the faithful seem to wither and be cut down by the wicked: yet they shall grow again and flourish in the Church of God, as the cedars do in mount Lebanon.
 14 ⁱThe children of God shall have a power above nature, and their age shall bring forth most fresh fruits.

Psalm 93

1 ^aAs God by his power and wisdom has made and governs the world: so must the same be our defense against all enemies and dangers.
 2 ^bWherein you sit and govern the world.
 3 ^cGod's power appears in ruling the furious waters.
 5 ^dBesides God's power and wisdom in creating and governing, his great mercy also appears in that he has given his people his word and covenants.

Psalm 94

1 ^aWhose office it is to take vengeance on the wicked.
 1 ^bShow by effect that you are Judge of the world to punish the wicked.
 3 ^cThat is, brag of their cruelty and oppression: or, esteem themselves above all others.
 5 ^dSeeing the Church was then so sore oppressed, it ought not to seem strange to us, if we see it so now, and therefore we must call to God to take our cause in hand.

6 They slay the widow & the stranger, & murther the fatherless.
 7 ^eYet they say, The Lord shal not see: neither wil the God of Jaakób regard it.
 8 Understand ye unwise among the people: and ye fools, when wil ye be wise?
 9 He that ^fplanted the ear, shal he not hear? or he that formed the eye, shal he not se?
 10 Or he that chasticeth the ^gnations, shal he not correct? he that teacheth man knowledge, *shal he not know?*
 11 The Lord knoweth the thoughts of man, that they are vanity.
 12 Blessed *is* the man, whom thou ^hchasticest, ô Lord, and teachest him in thy Law,
 13 That thou maiest give him rest from the days of evil, whiles the pit is digged for the wicked.
 14 Surely the Lord wil not fail his people, neither wil he forsake his inheritance.
 15 For ⁱjudgement shal return to justice, and all the upright in heart *shal follow* after it.
 16 Who wil rise up with me against the wicked? *or* who wil take my part against the workers of iniquity?
 17 If the Lord had not ^kholpen me, my soul had almost dwelt in silence.
 18 When I said, ^lMy foot slideth, thy mercie, ô Lord, staid me.
 19 In the multitude of my ^mthoughts in mine heart, thy comforts have rejoiced my soul.
 20 Hath the throne of iniquity ⁿfellowship with thee, which forgeth wrong for a law?
 21 They gather them together against the soul of the righteous, and condemn the innocent blood.
 22 But the Lord is my refuge, & my God *is* the rock of mine hope.
 23 And he wil recompense them their wickedness, and ^odestroy them in their own malice: *yea*, the Lord our God shal destroy them.

PSAL. 95.

1 An earnest exhortation to praise God 4 For the government of the world, and the election of his Church. 8 An admonition not to follow the rebellion of the old fathers, that tempted God in the wilderness: 11 For the which they might not enter into the land of promise.

Come, let us rejoyce unto the Lord: let us sing ^aaloud unto the Rock of our salvation. 2 Let us come before his face with praise: let us sing loud unto him with psalmes.
 3 For the Lord *is* a great God, and a great King above all ^bgods.

7 ^eHe shows that they are desperate in malice, forasmuch as they feared not God, but gave themselves wholly to do wickedly.
 9 ^fHe shows that it is impossible, but God should hear, see and understand their wickedness.
 10 ^gIf God punishes whole nations for their sins, it is mere folly for any one man, or els a few to think that God will spare them.
 12 ^hGod has care over his and chastises them for their wealth, that they should not perish for ever with the wicked.
 15 ⁱGod will restore the state and government of things to their right use, and then the godly shall follow him cheerfully.
 17 ^kHe complains of them, which would not help him to resist the enemies: yet was assured that God's help would not fail.
 18 ^lWhen I thought there was no way but death.
 19 ^mIn my trouble and distress I ever found your present help.
 20 ⁿThough the wicked judges pretend justice in oppressing the Church, yet they have not that authority from God.
 23 ^oIt is a great token of God's judgement, when the purpose of the wicked is broken, but most when they are destroyed by their own malice.

Psalm 95

1 ^aHe shows that God's service stands not in dead ceremonies, but chiefly in the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.
 3 ^bEven the Angels (who in respect of men are thought as gods) are nothing in his sight: much less the idols, which man's brain invents.

4 In whose hand *are* the deep places of the earth, & the ^cheights of the mountains *are* his:
 5 To whom the sea *belongeth*: for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.
 6 Come, let us ^dworship and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our maker.
 7 For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his ^ehand: to daie, if ye wil hear his voice,
 8 ^fHarden not your heart, as [^]in Meribáh, *and* as in the daie of [^]Massáh in the wilderness.
 9 Where your fathers tempted me, proved me, though they had seen my work.
 10 ^{*}Fortie yeres have I contended with *this* generation, and said, They are a people that ^gerre in heart, for they have not knowen my ways.
 11 Wherefore I sware in my wrath, *saying*, Surely they shal not enter into my ^hrest.

PSAL. 96.

1 An exhortation both to the Jewes and Gentiles to praise God for his mercie. And this specially ought to be referred to the kingdom of Christ.

Sing ^aunto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the earth. 2 Sing unto the Lord, *and* praise his Name: declare his salvation from daie to daie.
 3 Declare his glorie among all nations, *and* his wonders among all people.
 4 For the Lord *is* ^bgreat and much to be praised: he is to be feared above all gods.
 5 For all the gods of the people *are* [^]idols: but the Lord ^cmade the heavens.
 6 ^dStrength and glory *are* before him: power and beautie *are* in his Sanctuarie.
 7 Give unto the Lord, ye families of the people: give unto the Lord glorie and ^epower.
 8 Give unto the Lord the glorie of his Name: bring ^fan offering, and enter into his courts.
 9 Worship the Lord in the glorious Sanctuary: tremble before him all the earth.
 10 Saie among the ^gnations, The Lord reigneth: surely the world shalbe stable, *and* not move, *and* he shal judge the people ^hin

4 c All things are governed by his providence.

6 d By these three words he signifies one thing: meaning that they must wholly give themselves to serve God.

7 e That is, the flock whom he governs with his own hand. He shows wherein they are God's flock: that is, if they hear his voice.

8 f By the contemning of God's word.

8 [^]Or, to strive whereof the place was called, Num. 14. 22, Ex. 17.7.

8 [^]Or, tentation, read Ex. 17.7.

10 ^{*}Num. 14.34.

10 g They were without judgement and reason.

11 h That is, into the land of Canaan, where he promised them rest.

Psalm 96

1 a The Prophet shows that the time shal come, that all nations shall have occasion to praise the Lord for the revealing of his Gospel.

4 b Seeing he will reveal himself to all nations contrary to their own expectation, they ought all to worship him contrary to their own imaginations, and only as he has appointed.

5 [^]Or, vanities.

5 c Then the idols, or whatsoever made not the heavens, are not God.

6 d God cannot be known, but by his strength and glory: the signs whereof appear in his Sanctuary.

7 e As by experience you see that it is only due unto him.

8 f By offering up yourselves wholly unto God, declare that you worship him only.

10 g He prophesies that the Gentiles shall be partakers with the Jews of God's promise.

10 h He shall regenerate them anew with his Spirit, and restore them to the image of God.

righteousness.

11 Let the heavens rejoyce, and let the earth be glad: let the sea roar, and all that therein is.

12 Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it: let all the ^trees of the wood then rejoyce

13 Before the Lord, for he commeth, for he commeth to judge the earth: he wil judge the world with righteousness, and the people in his truth.

PSAL. 97.

1 The Prophet exhorteth all to rejoyce for the coming of the kingdom of Christ, 7 Dreadful to the rebels and idolaters, 8 And joyful to the just, whom he exhorteth to innocencie, 12 To rejoicing and thanksgiving.

THe ^aLord reigneth: let the earth rejoyce: let the ^bmultitude of the yles be glad. 2 ^cClouds and darkness *are* round about him: righteousness and judgement *are* the foundation of his throne.

3 There shal go a fyer before him, and burn up his enemies round about.

4 His lightnings gave light unto the world: the earth saw it and was ^dafraid.

5 The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

6 The heavens declare his righteousness, and all the people se his glorie.

7 ^cConfounded be all they that serve graven images, *and* that glorie in idols: worship him ^fall ye gods.

8 Zión heard of it, and was glad: and the ^gdaughters of Judáh rejoyced, because of thy judgements, ô Lord.

9 For thou, Lord, art most high above all the earth: thou art much exalted above all gods.

10 Ye that ^hlove the Lord, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his Saints: he wil deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

11 ⁱLight is sown for the righteous, & joy for the upright in heart.

12 Rejoyce ye righteous in the Lord, and give thanks for his holie ^kremembrance.

PSAL. 98.

1 An earnest exhortation to all creatures to praise the Lord for his power, mercie and fidelity in his promise by Christ, 10 By whom he hath communicated his salvation to all nations.

¶ A Psalme.

12 i If the insensible creatures shall have cause to rejoyce, when God appears, much more we, from whom he has taken malediction and sin.

Psalm 97

1 a He shows that where God reigns, there is all felicity and spiritual joy.

1 b For the Gospel shall not be only preached in Judea, but through all isles and countries.

2 c He is thus described to keep his enemies in fear, which commonly contemn God's power.

4 d This fear brings not the wicked to true obedience, but makes them to run away from God.

7 e He signifies that God's judgements are in a readiness to destroy the idolaters.

7 f Let all that which is esteemed in the world, fall down before him.

8 g The Jews shall have occasion to rejoyce that the Gentiles are made partakers with them of God's favor.

10 h He requires two things of his children: the one that they detest vice, the other that they put their trust in God for their deliverance.

11 i Though God's deliverance appear not suddenly, yet it is sown and laid up in store for them.

12 k Be mindful of his benefits and only trust in his defense.

Sing ^aunto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvelous things: ^{*}his right hand, and his holie ^barm have gotten him the victory.

2 The Lord declared his ^csalvation: his righteousness hath he reveiled in the sight of the nations.

3 He hath ^dremembered his mercie & his truth toward the house of Israél: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

4 All the earth, sing ye loud unto the Lord: cry out and rejoyce, and sing praises.

5 Sing praise to the Lord upon the harp, *even* upon the harp with a singing voice.

6 With ^eshalmes and sound of trumpets sing loud before the Lord the King.

7 Let the sea roar, and all that therein is, the world, and they that dwell therein.

8 Let the floods clap their hands, *and* let the mountains rejoyce together.

9 Before the Lord: for he is come to judge the earth: with righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

PSAL. 99.

1 He commendeth the power, equity and excellencie of the kingdom of God by Christ over the Jews and Gentiles, 5 And provoketh them to magnifie the same and to serve the Lord, 6 Following the example of the ancient Fathers, Moses, Aaron, Samuel, who calling upon God, were heard in their prayers.

The Lord reigneth, let the ^apeople tremble: he sitteth *between* the ^{*}Cherubims, let the earth be moved. 2 The Lord is great in Zíon, and he is high above all the people.

3 They shall ^bpraise thy great and fearful Name (*for it is holie*)

4 And the King's power, that loveth judgement: *for* thou hast prepared equity: thou hast executed judgement & justice in Jaakób.

5 Exalt the Lord our God: and fall down before his ^cfotestole: *for* his is holie.

6 Mosés and Aarón *were* among his Priests, ^dand Samuél among such as call upon his Name: these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.

7 He spake unto them in the cloudie pillar: they kept his testimonies, *and* the Law *that* he gave them.

8 Thou heardest them, ô Lord our God: thou wast a favorable God unto them, though thou didest take vengeance for ^etheir inventions.

9 Exalt the Lord our God, and fall down before his holie

1 a That is, some song newly made in token of their wonderful deliverance by Christ.

1 *Is. 59.16.

1 b He preserves his Church miraculously.

2 c For the deliverance of his Church.

3 d God was moved by none other means to gather his Church of the Jews and Gentiles, but because he would perform his promise.

6 e By this repetition and earnest exhortation to give praises with instruments, and also of the dumb creatures, he signifies that the world is never able to praise God sufficiently for their deliverance. (Shalme: a musical instrument of the pipe family.)

Psalm 99

1 a When God delivers his Church, all the enemies shall have cause to tremble.

1 *Ex. 25.22.

3 b Though the wicked rage against God, yet the godly shall praise his Name, and mighty power.

5 c That is, before his Temple or Ark, where he promised to hear, when they worshipped him, as now he promises his spiritual presence, wheresoever his Church is assembled.

6 d Under these three he comprehends the whole people of Israel, with whom God made his promise.

8 e For the more liberally that God deals with his people, the more does he punish them that abuse his benefits.

Mountain: for the Lord our God is holie.

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PSAL. 100.

1 He exhorteth all to serve the Lord, 3 Who hath chosen us and preserved us, 4 And to entre into his assemblies to praise his Name.

A Psalm of praise.

Sing ^aye loude unto the Lord, all the earth. 2 Serve the Lord with gladness: come before him with joyfulness.

3 Know ye that even the Lord is God: he hath ^bmade us, and not we our selves: *we are* his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

4 ^cEnter into his gates with praise, *and* into his courts with rejoycing: praise him *and* bless his Name.

5 For the Lord is good: his mercie is ^deverlasting, and his truth is from generation to generation.

PSAL. 101.

1 David describeth what government he will observe in his house and kingdom 5 He will punish and correct, by rooting forth the wicked, 6 And cherishing the godlie persons.

A Psalm of David.

I Will ^asing mercie and judgement: unto thee, ô Lord, wil I sing. 2 I will do wisely in the perfite waie ^btil thou comest to me: I will walk in the uprightness of mine heart in the middes of mine house.

3 I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate ^cthe work of them that fall away: it shall not cleave unto me.

4 A forward heart shall depart from me: I wil know none evil.

5 Him, that prively ^dsclandereth his neighbor, wil I destroy: him that hath a proud look and high heart, I can not *suffer*.

6 Mine eies *shalbe* unto the ^efaithful of the land, that they maie dwell with me: he that walketh in a perfite waie, he shall serve me.

7 There shall no deceitful person dwell within mine house: he that telleth lies, shall not remain in my sight.

8 ^fBetimes wil I destroy all the wicked of the land, that I maie cut off all the workers of iniquity from the City of the Lord.

PSAL. 102.

1 It semeth that this praier was appointed to the faithful to praie

1 a He prophesies that God's benefit in calling the Gentiles, shall be so great that they shall have wonderful occasion to praise his mercy and rejoyce.

3 b He chiefly means, touching the spiritual regeneration, whereby we are his sheep and people.

4 c He shows that God will not be worshipped, but by that means, which he has appointed.

5 d He declares that we ought never to be weary in praising him, seeing his mercies toward us last forever.

Psalm 101

1 a David considers what manner of King he would be, when God should place him in the throne, promising openly, that he would be merciful and just.

2 b Though as yet you defer to place me in the kingly dignity, yet will I give myself to wisdom and uprightness being a private man.

3 c He shows that magistrates do not their duties, except they be enemies to all vice.

5 d In promising to punish these vices, which are most pernicious in them that are about Kings, he declares that he will punish all.

6 e He shows what is the true use of the sword: to punish the wicked and to maintain the good.

8 f Magistrates must immediately punish vice, lest it grow to farther inconvenience and if heathen Magistrates are bound to do this, how much more they that have the charge of the Church of God?

in the captivitie of Babylon. 16 A consolation for the building of the Church: 18 Whereof followeth the praise of God to be published unto all posteritie. 22 The conversion of the Gentiles, 28 And the stabilitie of the Church.

¶ *A praier ^aof the afflicted, when he shalbe in distres, and pour forth his meditation before the Lord.*

1 Lord, hear my praier, and let my ^bcrye come unto thee. 2 Hide not thy face from me in the time of my trouble: incline thine ears unto me: when I call, make haste to hear me. 3 For my daies are ^cconsumed like smoke, and my bones are burnt like an herth. 4 Mine heart is smitten and withereth like grass, because I forgate ^dto eat my bread. 5 For the voice of my groaning my bones do cleave to my skin. 6 I am like a ^epelican of the wilderness: I am like an owl of the deserts. 7 I watch and am as a sparrow alone upon the house top. 8 Mine enemies revile me daily, *and* they that rage against me, have ^fsworn against me. 9 Surely I have ^geaten ashes as bread, and mingled my drink with weeping, 10 Because of thine ^hindignation and thy wrath: for thou hast heaved me up, and cast me down. 11 My daies *are* like a shadow that fadeth, and I am withered like grass. 12 But thou, ^o Lord, doest ⁱremain for ever, & thy remembrance from generation to generation. 13 Thou wilt arise *and* have mercie upon Zi^on: for the time to have mercie thereon, for the ^kappointed time is come. 14 For thy servants delite in the ^lstones thereof, and have pity on the dust thereof. 15 Then the heathen shal fear the Name of the Lord, and all the Kings of the earth thy glorie, 16 When the Lord shal build up Zi^on, *and* shal appear ^min his glorie, 17 *And* shal turn unto the praier of the desolate, and not despise their praier. 18 This shalbe written for the generation to come: and the people, which shalbe ⁿcreated, shal praise the Lord. 19 For he hath looked down from the height of his Sanctuary: out of the heaven, did the Lord behold the earth, 20 That he might hear the mourning of the prisoner, and deliver the ^ochildren of death:

a Whereby is signified, that albeit we be in never so great miseries, yet there is ever place left for prayer.

1 b He declares that in our prayer we must lively feel that, which we desire and steadfastly believe to obtain.

3 c These excessive kinds of speech show how much the affliction of the Church ought to wound the hearts of the godly.

4 d My sorrows were so great, that I passed not for my ordinary food.

6 e Ever mourning, and solitary, casting out fearful cries.

8 f Have conspired my death.

9 g I have not risen out of my mourning to take my refection.

10 h He shows that the afflictions did not only thus move him, but chiefly the feeling of God's displeasure.

12 i Howsoever we be frail: yet your promise is sure & the remembrance thereof shall confirm us forever.

13 k That is, the seventy years, which by the prophet Jeremiah you did appoint, Jer. 29.10.

14 l The more that the Church is in misery and desolation, the more ought the faithful to love and pity it.

16 m That is, when he shall have drawn his Church out of the darkness of death.

18 n The deliverance of the Church is a most excellent benefit and therefore he compares it to a new creation: for in their banishment the body of the Church seemed to have been dead, which by deliverance was as it were created anew.

20 o Who now in their banishment could look for nothing but death.

21 That they may declare the Name of the Lord in Zi^on, and his praise in Jerusal^em,

22 When the people shalbe gathered ^ptogether, & the kingdoms to serve the Lord.

23 He ^qabated my strength in the way, *and* shortened my days. 24 *And* I said, O my God, take me not away in the middes of my daies: thy yeres *endure* from generation to generation.

25 Thou hast aforetime laied the foundation of the earth, and the heavens *are* the work of thine hands.

26 ^rThey shal perish, but thou shalt endure: even they all shal wax old as doeth a garment: as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shalbe changed.

27 But thou art the same, and thy years shal not fail.

28 The children of thy servants shal continue, and their seed shal stand ^sfast in thy sight.

PSAL. 103.

1 He provoketh all to praise the Lord, which hath pardoned his sins, delivered him from destruction, and given him sufficient of all good things 10 Then he addeth the tender mercies of God, which he sheweth like a most tender Father towards his children, 14 The frailtie of man's life. 20 An exhortation to man and Angels to praise the Lord.

¶ *A Psalme of David.*

MY soul, ^apraise thou the Lord, & all that is within me, *praise* his holie Name. 2 My soul, praise thou the Lord, and forget not his benefits.

3 Which ^bforgiveth all thine iniquitie, and healeth all thine infirmities.

4 Which redemeth thy life from the ^cgrave, and crowneth thee with mercie and compassions.

5 Which satisfieth thy mouth with good things: and thy ^dyouth is renued like the egles.

6 The Lord executeth righteousness and judgement to all that are oppressed.

7 He made his ways known unto ^eMoses, *and* his works unto the children of Isra^el.

8 The Lord is ful of compassion and mercie, slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 He wil not alwaie ^fchide, neither keep *his anger* for ever.

10 He hath not ^gdealt with us after our sinnes, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

11 For as high as the heaven is above the earth, so great is his mercie toward them that fear him.

22 p He shows that God's Name is never more praised, then when religion flourishes, and the Church increases: which thing is chiefly accomplished under the kingdom of Christ.

23 q The Church lament that they see not the time of Christ, which was promised, but have but few years and short days.

26 r If heaven and earth perish, much more man shall perish but the Church by reason of God's promise endures forever.

28 s Seeing you have chosen your Church out of the world, and joined it to you, it can not but continue forever: for you are everlasting.

Psalm 103

1 a He wakens his dullness to praise God, showing that both understanding and affections, mind & heart are too little to set forth his praise.

3 b This is the beginning and chiefest of all benefits, remission of sin.

4 c For before that we have remission of our sins, we are as dead men in the grave.

5 d As the eagle, when her beak overgrows, sucks blood, and so is renewed in strength, even so God miraculously gives strength to his Church above all man's expectation.

7 e As to his chief minister and next to his people.

9 f He shows first his severe judgement, but so soon as the sinner is humbled, he receives him to mercy.

10 g We have proven by continual experience, that his mercy has ever prevailed against our offenses.

12 As far as ^hthe East is from the West: so far hath he removed our sins from us. ⁹⁹
 13 As a father hath compassion on his children, so hath the Lord compassion on them that fear him.
 14 For he knoweth whereof we be made: he remembreth that we are but dust.
 15 The daies of ⁱman are as grass: as a flower of the field, so florisheth he.
 16 For the wind goeth over it, and it is gone, and the place thereof shal knowe it no more.
 17 But the loving kindness of the Lord *endureth* for ever and ever upon them that fear him, and his ^krighteousness upon children's children,
 18 Unto them that keep his ^lcovenant, and think upon his commandments to do them.
 19 The Lord hath prepared his throne in heaven, & his kingdom ruleth over all.
 20 Praise the Lord, ye ^mhis Angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandment in obeying the voice of his word.
 21 Praise the Lord, all ye his hostes, ye his servants that do his pleasure.
 22 Praise the Lord, all ye his works, in all places of his dominion: my soul, praise thou the Lord.

PSAL. 104.

1 An excellent Psalme to praise God for the creation of the world and the governance of the same by his marvelous providence, 35 Wherein the Prophet praieth against the wicked, who are occasions that God diminished his blessings.

MY soul, praise thou the Lord: ^o Lord my God, thou art exceeding great, thou art ^aclothed with glorie and honour.
 2 Which covereth him self with light as with a garment, *and* spreadeth the heavens like a curtain.
 3 Which laieth the beams of his chambers in the waters, and maketh the clouds his chariot, and walketh upon the wings of the wind.
 4 Which ^bmaketh the spirits his messengers, *and* a flaming fire his ministers.
 5 He set the earth upon her foundations, so that it shal never move.
 6 Thou coveredst it with the ^cdeep as with a garment: the ^dwaters would stand above the mountains.
 7 *But* at thy rebuke they flee: at the voice of thy thunder they haste awaie.
 8 *And* the mountains ascend, *and* the valleis descend to the place which thou hast established for them.
 9 *But* thou hast set them a bonde, which they shal not pass: they shal not return to cover the earth.
 10 He sendeth the springs into the valleis, which run between

12 ^h As great as the world is, so full is it of signs of God's mercies toward his faithful, when he has removed their sins.
 15 ⁱ He declares that man has nothing in himself to move God to mercy, but only the confession of his infirmity and misery.
 17 ^k His just and faithful keeping of his promise.
 18 ^l To whom he gives grace to fear him, and to obey his word.
 20 ^m In that that we, which naturally are slow to praise God, exhort the Angels, which willingly do it, we stir up ourselves to consider our duty, and awake out of our sluggishness.

Psalme 104

1 ^a The Prophet shows that we need not to enter into the heavens to seek God, forasmuch as all the order of nature, with the propriety and placing of the elements, are most lively mirrors to see his majesty in.
 4 ^b As the Prophet here shows that all visible powers are ready to serve God: so the Apostle to the Ebr. 1.7 beholds in this glass, how the very Angels also are obedient to his commandment.
 6 ^c You make the sea to be an ornament unto the earth.
 6 ^d If by your power you did not bridle the rage of the waters, it were not possible, but the whole world should be destroyed.

the mountains.

11 Thei shal give drink to all the ^ebeastes of the field, and the wild asses shal quench their thirst.
 12 By these ^fsprings shal the foules of the heaven dwell, and sing among the branches.
 13 He watereth the mountains from his ^gchambers, *and* the earth is filled with the fruit of thy works.
 14 He causeth grass to grow for the cattel, and herbe for the use of ^hman, that he maie bring forth bread out of the earth,
 15 *And* wine *that* maketh glad the heart of man, *and* oyle to make the face to shine, & bread *that* strengtheneth man's heart.
 16 The high trees are satisfied, *even* the cedres of Lebanón, which he hath planted,
 17 That the birds maie make their nests there: the stork dwelleth in the fir trees.
 18 The high mountains *are* for the ^hgoats: the rocks *are* a refuge for the conies.
 19 He appointed the ⁱmoon for certain seasons: ^kthe sunne knoweth his going down.
 20 Thou makest darkness, and it is night, wherein all the beasts of the forest creep forth.
 21 The lions roar after their prey, and seek their meat ^lat God.
 22 *When* the sun riseth, they retire, and couch in their dens.
 23 ^m*Then* goeth man forth to his work, and to his labor until the evening.
 24 O Lord, how ⁿmanifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is ful of thy riches.
 25 *So is* this sea great and wide: *for* therein *are* things creeping innumerable, both small beasts and great.
 26 There go the ships, *yea*, that ^oLiviathán, whom thou hast made to play therein.
 27 ^oAll these wait upon thee, that thou maiest give them food in due season.
 28 Thou givest it to them, *and* they gather it: thou openest thine hand, *and* they are filled with good things.
 29 *But if* thou ^phide thy face, they are troubled: *if* thou take awaie their breath, they dye and return to their dust.
 30 *Again if* thou ^qsend forth thy spirit, they are created, and thou renewest the face of the earth.
 31 Glory be to the Lord for ever: let the Lord rejoyce in his works.
 32 He loketh on the earth and it trembleth: he toucheth the mountains, and they ^rsmoke.

11 ^e If God provide for the very beasts, much more will he extend his provident care to man.
 12 ^f There is no part of the world so barren, where most evident signs of God's blessings appear not.
 13 ^g From the clouds.
 14 ^h He describes God's provident care over man, who does not only provide necessary things for him, as herbs and other meat: but also things to rejoyce and comfort him, as wine and oil or ointments.
 18 ^o Or, does, roes, and such like.
 19 ⁱ As to separate the night from the day, and to note days, months and years.
 19 ^k That is, by his course, either far or near, it notes summer, winter and other seasons.
 21 ^l That is, they only find meat according to God's providence, who cares even for the brute beasts.
 23 ^m To wit, when the day springs, for the light is as it were a shield to defend man against the tyranny and fierceness of beasts.
 24 ⁿ He confesses that no tongue is able to express God's works, nor mind to comprehend them.
 26 ^o Or, whale.
 27 ^o God is a most nourishing Father, who provides for all creatures their daily food.
 29 ^p As by your presence all things have life: so, if you withdraw your blessings, they shall perish.
 30 ^q As the death of creatures shows that we are nothing of ourselves: so their generation declares that we receive all things of our Creator.
 32 ^r God's merciful face gives strength to the earth, but his severe countenance burns the mountains.

33 I wil sing unto the Lord *all* my life: I wil praise my God, while I live.

34 Let my words be acceptable unto him: I wil rejoyce in the Lord.

35 Let the sinners be ^sconsumed out of the earth, and the wicked till there be no more: ^o my soul, praise thou the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

PSAL. 105.

1 He praiseth the singular grace of God, who hath of all the people of the world chosen a peculiar people to him self, and having chosen them, never ceaseth to do them good, even for his promise sake.

Praise the Lord, *and* call upon his Name: ^adeclare his works among the people ² Sing unto him, sing praise unto him, *and* talk of all his wonderous works. ³ Rejoyce in his holie Name: let the heart of them that seek the Lord, rejoyce.

4 Seek the Lord and his ^bstrength: seek his face continually.

5 Remember his ^cmarvelous works, that he hath done, his wonders and the ^djudgements of his mouth,

6 Ye seed of Abrahám his servant, ye children of Jaakób, which are his elect.

7 He is the Lord our God: his judgements *are* through all the earth.

8 He hath alwaie remembred his covenant *and* promise, that he made to a thousand generations,

9 *Even* that which he ^emade with Abrahám and his othe unto Izhák:

10 *And since* hath confirmed it to Jaakób for a law, *and* to Israél for an everlasting covenant,

11 Saying, ^fUnto thee wil I give the land of Canáan, the lot of your inheritance.

12 Albeit they were few in number, *yea*, very few and strangers in the land,

13 *And* walked about from nation to nation, from *one* kingdom to another people,

14 *Yet* suffered he no man to do them wrong, but reprovéd ^gKings for their sakes, *saying*,

15 Touch not mine ^hanointed, and do my ⁱProphetes no harm.

16 Moreover he called a famine upon the land, *and* utterly brake the ^kstaff of bread.

17 *But* he sent a man before them: Joséph was sold for a slave.

18 They held his feet in the stocks, *and* he was laied in yrons,

19 Until ^lhis appointed time came, *and* the counsel of the Lord

35 ^s Who infect the world, and so cause God that he can can't rejoyce in his works.

Psalm 105

1 ^a Forasmuch as the Israelites were exempted from the common condemnation of the world, and were elected to be God's people, the Prophet wills them to show themselves mindful by thanksgiving.

4 ^b By the strength and face, he means the Ark where God declared his power and his presence.

5 ^c Which he has wrought in the deliverance of his people.

5 ^d Because his power was thereby as lively declared, as if he should have declared it by mouth.

9 ^e The promise which God made to Abraham to be his God, and the God of his seed after him, he renewed and repeated it again to his seed after him.

11 ^f He shows that they should not enjoy the land of Canaan by any other means, but by reason of his covenant made with their fathers.

14 ^g That is, the King of Egypt & the King of Gerar, Gen. 12.17, & 20.3.

15 ^h Those whom I have sanctified to be my people.

15 ⁱ Meaning the old fathers, to whom God showed himself plainly, and who were setters forth of his word.

16 ^k Either by sending scarcity, or by taking away the strength and nourishment thereof.

19 ^l So long he suffered adversity, as God had appointed, and till he had tried sufficiently his patience.

had tried him.

20 The King sent and losed him: *even* the Ruler of the people delivered him.

21 He made him Lord of his house, & ruler of all his substance,

22 That he should bind his ^mprinces unto his will, and teach his Ancients wisdom.

23 Then Israél came to Egypt, and Jaakób was a stranger in the land of Ham.

24 And he increased his people exceedingly, and made them stronger then their oppressors.

25 ⁿHe turned their heart to hate his people, and to deal craftily with his servants.

26 *Then* sent he Mosés his servant, *and* Aarón whom he had chosen.

27 They shewed among them the message of his signs, and wonders in the land of Ham.

28 He sent darkness, and made it dark: and they were not ^odisobedient unto his commission.

29 ^{*}He turned their waters into blood, and slewe their fish.

30 ^{*}Their land brought forth frogs, *even* in their King's chambers.

31 He ^pspake, and there came swarms of flies *and* lice in all their quarters.

32 He gave them ^qhail for rain, *and* flames of fyre in their land.

33 He smote their vines also and their fig trees, and brake down the trees in their coasts.

34 ^rHe spake, and the grasshoppers came, and caterpillars innumerable,

35 And did eat up all the grass in their land, and devoured the fruit of their ground.

36 ^{*}He smote also all the firstborn in their land, *even* the beginning of all their strength.

37 He brought them forth also with silver and gold, and there was ^snone feeble among their tribes.

38 Egypt was ^tglad at their departing: for the fear of them had fallen upon them.

39 He spread a cloud to be a covering, and fyre to give light in the night.

40 They ^uasked, and he brought quails, and he filled them with the bread of heaven.

41 He opened the rock, and the waters flowed out, *and* ran in the dry places *like* a river.

42 For he remembred his holie ^xpromise to Abrahám his servant,

43 And he brought forth his people with ^yjoy, *and* his chosen with gladness,

44 And gave them the lands of the heathen, and they took the

22 ^m That the very princes of the country should be at Joseph's commandment and learn wisdom at him.

25 ⁿ So it is in God, either to move the hearts of the wicked to love or to hate God's children.

28 ^o Meaning, Moses and Aaron.

29 ^{*}Ex. 7.20.

30 ^{*}Ex. 8.6.

31 ^p So that this vermin came not by fortune, but as God had appointed, and his Prophet Moses spake.

32 ^q It was strange to see rain in Egypt, much more it was fearful to see hail.

34 ^r He shows that all creatures are armed against man, when God is his enemy: as at his commandment the grasshoppers destroyed the land.

36 ^{*}Ex. 12.29.

37 ^s When their enemies felt God's plagues, his children by his providence were exempted.

38 ^t For God's plagues caused them rather to depart with the Israelites then with their lives.

40 ^u Not for necessity, but for satisfying of their lust.

42 ^x Which he confirmed to the posterity, in whom after a sort the dead live and enjoy the promises.

43 ^y When the Egyptians lamented and were destroyed.

labors of the people in possession,
45 That they might ^zkeep his statutes, and observe his Laws.
Praise ye the Lord.

PSAL. 106.

1 The people dispersed Under Antiochus do magnify the goodness of God among the just and repentant: 4 Desiring to be brought again into the land by God's merciful visitation 8 And after the manifold marvels of God wrought in their deliverance forth of Egypt, & the great ingratitude of the people rehearsed, 47 They do pray and desire to be gathered from among the heathen to the intent they may praise the Name of the God of Israél.

¶ Praise ye the Lord.

Praise ^aye the Lord because he is good, for his mercie endureth for ever. 2 Who can express the noble acts of the Lord, or shewe forth all his praise?
3 Blessed are they that ^bkeep judgement, and do righteousness at all times.
4 Remember me, ^o Lord, with the ^cfavor of thy people: visit me with thy salvation,
5 That I may se the felicitie of thy chosen, and rejoyce in the joy of thy people, and glorie with thine inheritance.
6 We have ^dsinned with our fathers: we have committed iniquity, and done wickedly.
7 Our fathers understood not thy wonders in Egypt, neither remembred they the multitude of thy mercies, but rebelled at the Sea, *even* at the red Sea.
8 Nevertheless he ^esaved them for his Name's sake, that he might make his power to be knowen.
9 And he rebuked the red Sea, and it was dried up, and he led them in the deep, as in the wilderness.
10 And he saved them from the adversary's hand, and delivered them from the hand of theemie.
11 *And the waters covered their oppressors: not one of them was left.
12 Then ^fbelieved they his words, *and* sang praise unto him.
13 But incontinently they forgate his works: they waited not for his ^gcounsel,
14 But lusted with concupiscence in the wilderness, & tempted God in the desert.
15 Then he gave them their desire: but he sent ^hleanness into their soul.
16 They envied Mosés also in the tents, *and* Aarón the holie one of the Lord.

45 z This is the end, why God preserves his Church, because they should worship, and call upon him in this world.

Psalm 106

1 a The Prophet exhorts the people to praise God for his benefits past, that thereby their minds may be strengthened against all present troubles and despair.
3 b He shows that it is not enough to praise God with mouth, except the whole heart agree thereunto, and all our life be thereunto framed.
4 c Let the goodwill that you bear to your people, extend unto me, that thereby I may be received into the number of yours.
6 d By earnest confession aswel of their own, as of their father's sins, they show that they had hope that God according to his promise would pity them.
8 e The inestimable goodness of God appears in this, that he would change the order of nature, rather than his people should not be delivered, although they were wicked.
11 *Ex.14.27.
12 f The wonderful works of God caused them to believe for a time and to praise him.
13 g They would prevent his wisdom and providence.
15 h The abundance that God gave them, profited not, but made them pine away, because God cursed it.

17 *Therefore* the earth opened and ⁱswallowed up Dathán, and covered the company of Abiráam.
18 And the fyre was kindled in their assemblie: the flame burnt up the wicked.
19 They made a calf in Horéb, & worshipped the molten image.
20 Thus they turned their ^kglory into the similitude of a bullock, that eateth grass.
21 They forgate God their Saviour, which had done great things in Egypt,
22 Wonderous works in the land of Ham, and fearful things by the red Sea.
23 Therefore he minded to destroy them, had not ^lMosés his chosen stand in the breach before him to turn away his wrath, lest he should destroy *them*.
24 Also they contemned that ^mpleasant land, *and* believed not his word,
25 *But murmured in their tents, *and* hearkened not unto the voice of the Lord.
26 Therefore ⁿhe lifted up his hand against them, to destroy them in the wilderness,
27 And to destroy their seed among the nations, and to scatter them throughout the countries.
28 They joined them selves also unto ^oBaal-peór, and did eat the offerings of the ^pdead.
29 Thus they ^qprovoked *him* unto anger with their own inventions, and the plague brake in upon them.
30 But ^rPhinehás stood up, and executed judgement, and the plague was staid.
31 *And it was ^simputed unto him for righteousness from generation to generation for ever.
32 They angered him also at the waters of *Meribáh, so that ^tMosés was punished for their sakes,
33 Because they vexed his spirit, so that he spake unadvisedly with his lips.
34 Neither destroyed they the people, as the Lord had commanded them,
35 But were mingled among the heathen, & learned their works,
36 And served their idols, which were their ruin.
37 Yea, they offered their ^usons, and their daughters unto divels,
38 And shed innocent blood, *even* the blood of their sons, & of their daughters, whom they offered unto the idols of Canáan, and the land was defiled with blood.

17 i By the greatness of the punishment the heinous offence may be considered: for they that rise against God's ministers, rebel against him.
20 k He shows that all idolaters renounce God to be their glory, when instead of him they worship any creature, much more wood, stone, metal or calves.

23 l If Moses by his intercession had not obtained God's favor against their rebellion.

24 m That is, Canaan, which was as it were an earnest penny of the heavenly inheritance.

25 *Num. 14.27.

26 n That is, he sware. Sometime also it means to punish.

28 o Which was the idol of the Moabites.

28 p Sacrifices offered to the dead idols.

29 q Signifying, that whatsoever man invents of himself to serve God by, is detestable and provokes his anger.

30 r When all other neglected God's glory, he in his zeal killed the adulterers and prevented God's wrath.

31 *Num. 25.12.

31 s This act declared his lively faith, & for his faith's sake was accepted.

32 *Num. 20.2, Ps. 95.8.

32 t If so notable a Prophet of God escape not punishment though others provoked him to sin, how much more shall they be subject to God's judgement, which cause God's children to sin?

37 u He shows how monstrous a thing idolatry is, which can win us to thing abhorring to nature, whereas God's word cannot obtain most small things.

39 Thus were they steined with their own works, and went ^xa whoring with their own inventions.
 40 Therefore was the wrath of the Lord kindled against his people, and he abhorred his own inheritance.
 41 And he gave them into the hand of the heathen: and they that hated them, were lords over them.
 42 Their enemies also oppressed them, and they were humbled under their hand.
 43 Manie ^ya time did he deliver them, but they provoked him by their counsels: therefore they were brought down by their iniquitie.
 44 Yet he saw when they were in affliction, & he heard their cry.
 45 And he remembred his covenant toward them, and ^zrepented according to the multitude of his mercies,
 46 And gave them favor in the sight of all them, that led them captives.
 47 Save us, ô Lord our God, and ^agather us from among the heathen, that we maie praise thine holie Name, and glorie in thy praise.
 48 Blessed be the Lord God of Israël for ever and ever, and let all the people say, So be it. Praise ye the Lord.

PSAL. 107.

1 The Prophet exhorteth all those that are redemed by the Lord, and gathered unto him to give thanks, 9 For this merciful providence of God, governing all things at his good pleasure, 10 Sending good and evil, prosperitie and adversitie to bring men Unto him 42 Therefore as the righteous thereat rejoyce, so shal the wicked have their mouthes stopped.

Praise ^athe Lord, because he is good: for his mercie ^bendureth for ever. 2 Let them, ^bwhich have been redemed of the Lord, shewe how he hath delivered them from the hand of the oppressor,
 3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the East and from the West, from the North and from the [^]South.
 4 *When they wandered in the desert and wilderness out of the way, and found no citie to dwell in,*
 5 ^cBoth hungrie and thirstie, their soul fainted in them.
 6 Then they cryed unto the Lord in their trouble, & he delivered them from their distres,
 7 And led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.
 8 Let them *therefore* confess before the Lord his loving kindness, and his wonderful works before the sons of men.
 9 For he satisfied the thirstie soul, and filled the hungrie soul with goodness.
 10 They, that dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death, being bound in miserie and yron,

39 x Then true chastity is to cleave wholly and only unto God.
 43 y The Prophet shows that neither by menaces, nor promises we can come to God, except we be all together newly reformed, and that his mercy overcover and hide our malice.
 45 z Not that God is changeable in himself, but that then he seems to us to repent, when he alters his punishment, and forgives us.
 47 a Gather your Church, which is dispersed, and give us constancy under the cross, that with one consent we may all praise you.

Psalms 107

1 a This notable sentence was in the beginning used, as the foot or tenor of the song, which was oftentimes repeated.
 2 b As this was true in the Jews, so is there none of God's elect, that feel not his help in their necessity.
 3 [^]Or, from the Sea: meaning the red Sea, which is on the South part of the land.
 5 c He shows that there is none affliction so grievous, out of the which God will not deliver his, and also exhorts them, that are delivered, to be mindful of so great a benefit.

11 Because they ^drebelled against the words of the Lord, and despised the counsel of the most High,
 12 When he humbled their heart with heaviness, *then* they fell down and there was no helper.
 13 Then they ^ecryed unto the Lord in their trouble, & he delivered them from their distress.
 14 He brought them out of darkness, and *out of* the shadow of death, and brake their bands a sundre.
 15 Let them *therefore* confess before the Lord his loving kindness, and his wonderful works before the sons of men.
 16 For he hath broken the ^fgates of brasse, and brast the bars of yron a sundre.
 17 ^gFooles by reason of their transgression and because of their iniquities are afflicted.
 18 Their soul abhorreth all meat, and they are brought to death's door.
 19 Then they crye unto the Lord in their trouble, & he delivereth them from their distres.
 20 ^hHe sendeth his word and healeth them, and delivereth them from their ⁱgraves.
 21 Let them *therefore* confess before the Lord his loving kindness, and his wonderful works before the sons of men,
 22 And let them offer sacrifices of ^kpraise, and declare his works with rejoycing.
 23 They that go down to the ^lsea in shippes, *and* occupy by the great waters,
 24 They se the works of the Lord, and his wonders in the deep.
 25 For he commandeth and raiseth the stormie wind, & it lifteth up the waves thereof.
 26 They mount up to the heaven, *and* descend to the deep, so that their soule ^mmelteth for trouble.
 27 They are tossed to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and all their ⁿcunning is gone.
 28 Then they crye unto the Lord in their trouble, *and* he bringeth them out of their distress.
 29 He turneth the storm to calm, so that the waves thereof are still.
 30 When they are ^oquieted, they are glad, and he bringeth them unto the haven, where they would be.
 31 Let them *therefore* confess before the Lord his loving kindness, and his wonderful works before the sonnes of men.
 32 And let them exalt him in the ^pCongregation of the people, and praise him in the assemblie of the Elders.
 33 He turneth the floods into a wilderness, and the springs of waters into drienes,

11 d Then the true way to obey God, is to follow his express commandment: also hereby all are exhorted to descend into themselves, forasmuch as none are punished, but for their sins.
 13 e He shows that the cause why God does punish us extremely, is because we can be brought unto him by none other means.
 16 f When there seems to man's judgement no recovery, but all things are brought to despair, then God chiefly shows his mighty power.
 17 g They that have no fear of God, by his sharp rods are brought to call upon him and so find mercy.
 20 h By healing them he declares his goodwill toward them.
 20 i Meaning, their diseases, which had almost brought them to the grave and corruption.
 22 k Praise and confession of God's benefits are the true sacrifices of the godly.
 23 l He shows by the sea what care God has over man, for in that that he delivers them from the great dangers of the sea, he delivers them, as it were, from a thousand deaths. (Mt. 14: 22-33)
 26 m Their fear and danger is so great.
 27 n When their art and means fail them, they are compelled to confess that only God's providence does preserve them.
 30 o Though before every drop seemed to fight one against another, yet at his commandment they are as still, as though they were frozen.
 32 p This great benefit ought not only to be considered particularly, but magnified in all places and assemblies.

34 *And* a fruteful land into [^]barrennes for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.
 35 *Again* he [^]turneth the wilderness into pooles of water, and the drye land into water springs.
 36 *And* there he placeth the hungrie, and they build a citie to dwell in,
 37 *And* sowe the fields, and plant vineyards, which bring forth fruteful [^]increase.
 38 For he blesseth them, and they multiplie exceedingly, and he diminisheth not their cattel.
 39 [^]Again *men* are diminished, and brought low by oppression, evil and sorrow.
 40 He powreth [^]contempt upon princes, and causeth them to erre in desert places out of the way.
 41 Yet he raiseth up the poor out of misery, and maketh him families like a flock of sheep.
 42 The [^]righteous shal se it, and rejoyce, and all iniquitie shal stop her mouth.
 43 Who is wise that he maie observe these things? for they shal understand the loving kindness of the Lord.

PSAL. 108.

This Psalme is composed of two other Psalms before, the seven and fiftieth and the sixtieth. The matter here contained is, 1 That David giveth him self with heart and voice to praise the Lord, 7 And assureth him self of the promise of God concerning his kingdom over Israël, and his power against other nations: 11 Who though he seme to forsake us for a time, yet he alone wil in the end cast down our enemies.

¶ *A song or Psalme of David.*

Ⓐ God, mine heart *is* [^]prepared, so *is* my [^]tongue: I wil sing and give praise. 2 Awake viole & harpe: I wil awake early.
 3 I wil praise thee, ^⓪ Lord, among the [ⓑ]people, and I wil sing unto thee among the nations.
 4 For thy mercie is great above the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds.
 5 ^⓪Exalt thy self, ^⓪ God, above the heavens, and *let* thy glorie *be* upon all the earth,
 6 That thy beloved maie be delivered: ^⓪help with thy right hand and hear me.
 7 God hathe spoken in his ^⓪holines: *therefore* I wil rejoyce, I shal divide Shechém and measure the valley of Succóth.
 8 Gileád *shalbe* mine, *and* Manasséh *shalbe* mine: Ephráim

34 [^]Or, saltiness.

35 q For the love that he bears to his Church he changes the order of nature for their commodity.

37 r Continual increase and yearly.

39 s As God by his providence does exalt men, so does he also humble them by afflictions to know themselves.

40 t For their wickedness and tyranny he causes the people and subjects to contemne them.

42 u They, whose faith is lightened by God's Spirit, shall rejoyce to see God's judgements against the wicked and ungodly.

Psalm 108

1 a This earnest affection declares that he is free from hypocrisy, and that sluggishness stays him not.

1 [^]Or, my glory, because it chiefly sets forth the glory of God.

3 b He prophesies of the calling of the Gentiles: for except they were called, they could not hear the goodness of God.

5 c Let all the world see your judgements, in that that you are God over all, and so confess that you are glorious.

6 d When God by his benefits makes us partakers of his mercies, he admonishes us to be earnest in prayer to desire him to continue and finish his graces.

7 e As he has spoken to Samuel concerning me, so will he show himself constant, and holy in his promise, so that these nations following shall be subject unto me.

also *shalbe* the strength of mine head: Juda *is* my Lawegiver.
 9 [^]Móab *shalbe* my washpot: over Edóm wil I cast out my shoe: upon Palestina wil I triumph.
 10 Who wil lead me into the strong citie? who wil bring me unto Edóm?
 11 [^]Wilt not thou, ^⓪ God, *which* haddest forsaken us, and didest not go forth, ^⓪ God, with our armies?
 12 Give us help against trouble: for vain is the help of man.
 13 Through God we shal do valiantly: for he shal tread down our enemies.

PSAL. 109.

1 David being falsely accused by flatters unto Saúl, praieth God to help him and to destroy his enemies. 8 And under them he speaketh of Judas the traitor unto Jesus Christ, and of all the like enemies of the children of God 27 And desireth so to be delivered, that his enemies maie knowe the work to be of God. 30 Then doeth he promise to give praises unto God.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David.*

Ⓐ Old not thy tongue, ^⓪ God of my [ⓐ]praise. 2 For the mouth of the wicked, and the mouth *ful* of deceit are opened upon me: they have spoken to me with a lying tongue.
 3 Thei compassed me about also with words of hatred, & fought against me without a cause.
 4 For my friendship thei were mine adversaries, [ⓑ]but I gave my self to praier.
 5 And they have rewarded me evil for good, and hatred for my friendship.
 6 ^⓪Set thou the wicked over him, and let the adversary stand at his right hand.
 7 When he shalbe judged, let him be condemned, and let his [ⓐ]praier be turned into sin.
 8 Let his daies be few, and let another take his [ⓐ]charge.
 9 Let his children be fatherless, and his wife a widow.
 10 Let his children be vagabonds and beg and seek *bread, coming out* of their places destroyed.
 11 Let [ⓑ]the extortioner catch all that he hath, and let the strangers spoil his labor.
 12 Let there be none to extend mercie unto him: neither let there be any to show mercie upon his fatherless children.
 13 Let his posterity be destroyed, *and* in the generation following let their name be put out.
 14 [ⓐ]Let the iniquity of his fathers be had in remembrance with the Lord: and let not the sin of his mother be done away.
 15 *But* let them alway be before the Lord, that he maie cut off their memorial from the earth.

9 [^]Ps. 60.8.

11 f From the sixth verse of this psalm unto the last read the exposition in the sixtieth psalm and fifth verse.

Psalm 109

1 a Though all the world condemn me, yet you will approve my innocence, and that is a sufficient praise to me.

4 b To declare that I had none other refuge, but you, in whom my conscience was at rest.

6 c Whether it were Doeg or Saul, or some familiar friend that had betrayed him, he prays not of private affection, but moved by God's Spirit, that God would take vengeance upon him.

7 d As to the elect all things turn to their profit: so to the reprobate even those things, that are good, turn to their damnation.

8 e This was chiefly accomplished in Judas, Act 1.20.

11 f He declares that the curse of God lays upon the extortioners: who thinking to enrich their children by their unlawful gotten goods, are by God's just judgement deprived of all.

14 g Thus punishes the Lord to the third, and forth generation the wickedness of the parents in their wicked children.

16 Because ^hhe remembred not to shewe mercie, but persecuted the afflicted & poor man, & the sorrowful hearted to slay him.
 17 As he loved cursing, ^{so} shal it come unto him, *and* as he loved not blessing, so shal it be far from him.
 18 As he clothed him self with cursing like a raiment, so shal it come into his bowels like water, and like oil into his bones.
 19 Let it be unto him as a garment to cover him, and for a girdle, wherewith he shalbe alwaie girded.
 20 Let this be the reward of mine adversary ^kfrom the Lord, and of them, that speak evil against my soul.
 21 But thou, \hat{o} Lord my God, deal with me according unto thy ^lName: deliver me, (for thy mercie is good)
 22 Because I am poor and nedie, and mine heart is wounded within me.
 23 I depart like a shadow that declineth, and am shaken off as the ^mgrasshopper.
 24 My knees are weak through fasting, and my flesh ⁿhathe lost all fatnes.
 25 I became also a rebuke unto them: they that looked upon me, shaked their heads.
 26 Help me, \hat{o} Lord my God: ^osave me according to thy mercie.
 27 And they shal knowe, that this is thine hand, *and that* thou, Lord, hast done it.
 28 *Though* they ^pcurse, yet thou wilt bless: they shal arise and be confounded, but thy servant shal rejoyce.
 29 Let mine adversaries be clothed with shame, and let them cover themselves with their confusion, as with a cloke.
 30 I wil give thanks unto the Lord greatly with my ^qmouth, and praise him among the multitude.
 31 For he wil stand at the right hand of the poor, to save him from them that would ^rcondemne his soul.

PSAL. 110.

David prophecieth of the power and everlasting kingdom given to Christ, 4 And of his Priesthood, which should put an end to the Priesthood of Leví.

¶ *A Psalme of David.*

THe ^aLord said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy fotestole. 2 The Lord shal send the rod of thy power out of ^bZiön: be thou ruler in the middes of thine enemies.
 3 Thy people *shal come* willingly at the time of assembling:

16 h He shows that God accustomed to plague them after a strange sort, that show themselves cruel toward other.
 17 i Thus gives the Lord to every man the thing, wherein he delights, that the reprobate cannot accuse God of wrong, when they are given up to their lusts and reprobate minds.
 20 k For being destitute of man's help, he fully trusted in the Lord, that he would deliver him.
 21 l As you are named merciful, gracious and long suffering, so show yourself in effect.
 23 m Meaning, that he has no stay nor assurance in this world.
 24 n For hunger, that came of sorrow, he was lean, and his natural moisture failed him.
 26 o The more grievously that Saul assailed him, the more earnest and instant was he in prayer.
 28 p They shall gain nothing by cursing me.
 30 q Not only in confessing it secretly in myself, but also in declaring it before all the Congregation.
 31 r Hereby he shows that he had not to do with them, that were of little power, but with the judges and princes of the world.

Psalm 110

1 a Jesus Christ in Mt. 22:44 gives the interpretation hereof, and shows that this cannot properly be applied unto David, but to himself.
 2 b And thence it shall stretch through all the world: and this power chiefly stands in the preaching of his word.

^cthine armie in holie beautie: the youth of thy wombe *shalbe* as the morning dewe.
 4 The Lord sware and wil not repent, Thou art a Priest for ever after the ordre of ^dMelchi-zédek.
 5 The Lord, *that is* at thy right hand, shal wound Kings in the daie of his wrath.
 6 He shalbe Judge among the heathen: he shal fil *all* with dead bodies, *and* smite the ^ehead over great countries.
 7 He shal ^fdrink of the brook in the way: therefore shal he lift up *his* head.

PSAL. 111.

He giveth thanks to the Lord for his merciful works toward his Church, 10 And declareth wherein true wisdom and right knowledge consisteth.

¶ *Praise ye the Lord.*

I Wil ^apraise the Lord with my whole heart in the assemblie and Congregation of the just. 2 The works of the Lord *are* ^bgreat, and ought to be sought out of all them that love them.
 3 His work *is* beautiful and glorious, and his righteousness endureth for ever.
 4 He hathe made his wonderful works to be had in remembrance: the Lord *is* merciful and ful of compassion.
 5 He hathe given ^ca [^]portion unto them that fear him: he wil ever be mindful of his covenant.
 6 He hathe shewed to his people the power of his works in giving unto them the heritage of the heathen.
 7 The ^dworks of his hands *are* truth & judgement: all his statutes are true.
 8 Thei are established for ever and ever, and are done in trueth and equitie.
 9 He sent redemption unto his people: he hathe commanded his covenant for ever: holie and fearful *is* his Name.
 10 ^eThe beginning of wisdom *is* the fear of the Lord: all they that observe ^fthem, have good understanding: his praise endureth for ever.

PSAL. 112.

1 He praiseth the felicitie of them, that fear God, 10 And condemneth the cursed state of the contemnners of God.

¶ *Praise ye the Lord.*

3 c By your word your people shall be assembled into your Church, whose increase shall be so abundant and wonderful, as the drops of the dew.
 4 d As Melchizedek the figure of Christ was both King and Priest: so the effect cannot be accomplished in any King, save only in Christ. 2 Chron. 26.21.
 6 e No power shall be able to resist him.
 7 f Under this similitude of a captain, that is so greedy to destroy his enemies, that he will not scares drink by the way, he shows how God will destroy his enemies.

Psalm 111

1 a The Prophet declares that he will praise God both privately and openly, and that from the heart, as he that consecrates himself wholly and openly unto God.
 2 b He shows that God's works are a sufficient cause, wherefore we should praise him, but chiefly his benefits toward his Church.
 5 c God has given to his people all that was necessary for them, and will do still even for his covenant's sake, and in this sense the Ebrew word is taken, Prov. 30.8, and 31.15.
 5 [^]Or, prey, and food.
 7 d As God promised to take the care of his Church: so in effect does he declare himself just and true in the government of the same.
 10 e They only are wise, that fear God, and none have understanding, but they that obey his word.
 10 f To wit, his commandments, as verse 7.

Blessed is the man, that ^afearth the Lord, *and* deliteth greatly in his commandments. 2 His seed shalbe mightie upon earth: the generation of the righteous shalbe blessed. 3 ^bRiches and treasures *shalbe* in his house, and his righteousness endureth for ever. 4 Unto the ^crighteous ariseth light in darkness: *he is* merciful and ful of compassion and righteous. 5 A good man *is* merciful and ^dlendeth, *and* wil measure his affairs by judgement. 6 Surely he shal never be moved: *but* the righteous shalbe had in everlasting remembrance. 7 He wil not be afraid of evil tidings: *for* his heart is fixed, *and* beleveth in the Lord. 8 His heart is stablished: *therefore* he wil not fear, until he se *his desire* upon his enemies. 9 He hathe ^edistributed *and* given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever: his ^fhorn shalbe exalted with glorie. 10 The wicked shal se it and be angry: he shal gnash with his teeth, and ^gconsume away: the desire of the wicked shal perish.

PSAL. 113.

1 An exhortation to praise the Lord for his providence, 7 In that that contrary to the course of nature he worketh in his Church.

¶ Praise ye the Lord.

Praise, ô ye servants of the Lord, ^apraise the Name of the Lord. 2 Blessed be the Name of the Lord from hence forth and for ever. 3 The Lord's Name is praised from the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same. 4 The Lord is high above ^bnations, *and* his glory above the heavens. 5 Who is like unto the Lord our God, that hathe his dwelling on high! 6 Who abaseth him self to behold *things* in the heaven and in the earth. 7 He raiseth the needy out of the dust, *and* lifteth up the ^cpoor out of the dung, 8 That he may set him with the princes, *even* with the princes of his people. 9 He maketh the barren woman to dwell with a family, *and* a joyful mother of children. Praise ye the Lord.

PSAL. 114.

1 a He means that reverent fear, which is in the children of God, which causes them to delight only in the word of God.
 2 b The godly shall have abundance and contentment, because their heart is satisfied in God only.
 3 c The faithful in all their adversities know that all shall go well with them: for God will be merciful and just.
 4 d He shows what is the fruit of mercy: to lend freely and not for gain, and so to measure his doings, that he may be able to help where need requires, and not to bestow all on himself.
 5 e The godly pinch not niggardly, but distribute liberally, as the necessity of the poor requires, and as his power is able.
 6 f His power and prosperous estate.
 7 g The blessings of God upon his children shall cause the wicked to die for envy.

Psalm 113

1 a By this often repetition he stirs up our cold dullness to praise God, seeing his works are so wonderful, and that we are created for the same cause.
 2 b If God's glory shine through all the world, and therefore of all ought to be praised, what great condemnation were it to his people, among whom chiefly it shines, if they should not earnestly extol his Name?
 3 c By preferring the poor to high honor, and giving the barren children, he shows that God works not only in his Church by ordinary means, but also by miracles.

1 How the Israelites were delivered forth of Egypt, and of the wonderful miracles, that God wrought at that time Which put us in remembrance of God's great mercie toward his Church, who, when the course of nature faileth, preserveth his miraculously.

When ^aIsraél went out of Egypt, & the house of Jaakób from the ^bbarbarous people, 2 Judáh was ^bhis sanctification, *and* Israél his dominion. 3 The Sea saw it and fled: Jordén was turned back. 4 The ^cmountains leaped like rams, *and* the hills as lambs. 5 What ailed thee, ô Sea, that thou fleddest? Ô Jordén, *why* wast thou turned back? 6 Ye mountains, *why* leaped ye like rams, *and* ye hills as lambs? 7 The ^eearth trembled at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jaakób. 8 Which ^eturneth the rock into waterpooles, *and* the flint into a fountain of water.

PSAL. 115.

1 A praier of the faithful oppressed by idolatrous tyrants against whom they desire that God would succor them, 9 Trusting most constantly that God wil preserve them in this their need, seeing that he hathe adopted and received them to his favor, 18 Promising finally that they wil not be unmindful of so great a benefit, if it would please God to hear their praier, and deliver them by his omnipotent power.

Ot ^aunto us, ô Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name give the glorie, for thy loving mercie *and* for thy truth's sake. 2 Wherefore shal the heathen saie, ^bWhere is now their God? 3 But our God *is* in heaven: he doeth whatsoever he ^cwil. 4 Their idols *are* ^dsilver and gold, *even* the work of men's hands. 5 They have a mouth and speak not: they have eyes & see not. 6 They have ears and hear not: they have noses and smell not. 7 They have ^ehands and touch not: they have feet and walk not: neither make they a sound with their throte. 8 They that make them *are* ^flike unto them: *so are* all that trust in them. 9 O Israél, trust thou in the Lord: *for* he is their help and their shield. 10 ^gO house of Aarón, trust ye in the Lord: *for* he is their help and their shield. 11 Ye that fear the Lord, trust in the Lord: *for* he is their helper and their shield.

1 *Ex. 14.21.

1 a That is, from them that were of a strange language.
 2 b The whole people were witnesses of his holy majesty, in adopting them, and of his mighty power in delivering them.
 3 c Seeing that these dead creatures felt God's power, and after a sort saw it, much more his people ought to consider it and glorify him for the same.
 4 e Ought then his people to be insensible, when they see his power and majesty?
 5 e That is, caused miraculously water to come out of the rock in most abundance, Ex. 17.6.

Psalm 115

1 a Because God promised to deliver them, not for their sakes, but for his Name, Isa. 48.11, therefore they ground their prayer upon this promise.
 2 b When the wicked see that God accomplishes not his promise, as they imagine, they think there is no God.
 3 c No impediments can let his work, but he uses even the impediments to serve his will.
 4 d Seeing that neither the matter, nor the form can commend the idols, it follows that there is nothing, why they should be esteemed.
 5 e He shows what great vanity it is to ask help of them, which not only have no help in them, but lack sense and reason.
 6 f As much without sense, as blocks and stones.
 7 g For they were appointed by God as instructors and teachers of faith and religion for others to follow.

12 The Lord hathe been mindful of us: he wil bless, he ^hwill bless the house of Israél, he will bless the house of Aarón.

13 He wil bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great.

14 The Lord will increase *his graces* toward you, *even* toward you and toward your children.

15 Ye are blessed of the Lord, which ⁱmade the heaven and the earth.

16 The ^kheavens, *even* the heavens *are* the Lord's: but he hathe given the earth to the sons of men.

17 The dead praise not the Lord, neither any that ^lgo down into the *place of silence*.

18 But we wil praise the Lord from hence forth and for ever. Praise ye the Lord.

PSAL. 116.

1 David being in great danger of Saúl in the desert of Maón, perceiving the great and inestimable love of God to ward him, magnifieth such great mercies, 13 And protesteth that he wil be thankful for the same.

J^aLove the Lord, because he hath heard my voice *and my* prayers. 2 For he hathe inclined his ear unto me, when I did call *upon him* ^bin my daies.

3 *When* the snares of death compassed me, and the griefs of the grave caught me: *when* I found trouble and sorrow,

4 Then I called upon the Name of the Lord, *saying*, I beseech thee, ô Lord, deliver my soul.

5 The Lord *is* ^cmerciful and righteous, and our God *is* full of compassion.

6 The Lord preserveth the simple: I was in misery and he saved me.

7 Return unto thy rest, ô ^dmy soul: for the Lord hathe been beneficial unto thee,

8 Because thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, *and my feet from falling*.

9 I shal ^ewalk before the Lord in the land of the living.

10 ^fI believed, therefore did I speak: *for* I was sore troubled.

11 I said in my ^gfear, All men are liars.

12 What shal I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?

13 I wil ^htake the cup of salvation, and call upon the Name of the Lord.

14 I wil paie my vowes unto the Lord, *even* now in the presence of all his people.

12 ^h That is, he will continue his graces toward his people.

15 ⁱ And therefore does still govern and continue all things therein.

16 ^k And they declare enough his sufficiency, so that the world serves him nothing but to show his fatherly care toward men.

17 ^l Though the dead set forth God's glory, yet he means here, that they praise him not in his Church and Congregation.

Psalm 116

1 ^a He grants that no pleasure is so great, as to feel God's help in our necessity, neither that anything more stirs up our love toward him.

2 ^b That is, in convenient time to seek help, which was when he was in distress.

5 ^c He shows forth the fruit of his love in calling upon him, confessing him to be just and merciful, and to help them that are destitute of aid and counsel.

7 ^d Which was unquieted before, now rest upon the Lord: for he has been beneficial towards you.

9 ^e The Lord will preserve me, and save my life.

10 ^f I felt all these things, and therefore was moved by faith to confess them, 2 Cor. 4.13.

11 ^g In my great distress I thought God would not regard man, which is but lies and vanity, yet I overcame this tentation, and felt the contrary.

13 ^h In the Law they used to make a banquet, when they gave solemn thanks to God, and to take the cup and drink in sign of thanksgiving.

15 Precious in the sight of the Lord *is* the ⁱdeath of his Saints.

16 Behold, Lord: for I am thy servant, I am thy servant, *and* the son of thine hand maid: thou hast broken my bonds.

17 I wil offer to thee a sacrifice of praise, and wil call upon the Name of the Lord.

18 I wil paie my ^kvowes unto the Lord, *even* now in the presence of all his people,

19 In the courtes of the Lord's house, *even* in the middes of thee, ô Jerusalém. Praise ye the Lord.

PSAL. 117.

1 He exhortheth the Gentiles to praise God, because he hathe accomplished aswel to them as to the Jewes, the promise of life everlasting by Jesus Christ.

Q^li ^{*}nations, praise ye the Lord: all ye people, praise him. 2 ^aFor his loving kindness is great toward us, and the ^atrueth of the Lord *endureth* for ever. Praise ye the Lord.

PSAL. 118.

1 David rejected of Saúl and of the people, at the time appointed obtained the kingdom. 4 For the which he biddeth all them, that fear the Lord, to be thankful. And under his person in all this was Christ lively set forth, who should be of his people rejected.

Praise ^aye the Lord, because he is good: for his mercie *endureth* for ever. 2 Let Israél now saie, That his mercie *endureth* for ever.

3 Let the house of Aarón now saie, That his mercie *endureth* for ever.

4 Let them, that fear the Lord, now saie, That his mercie *endureth* for ever.

5 I called upon the Lord in ^btrouble, *and* the Lord heard me, *and set me at large*.

6 The Lord *is* with me: *therefore* I wil not fear what ^cman can do unto me.

7 The Lord *is* with me among them that help me: *therefore* shal I se *my desire* upon mine enemies.

8 It is better to trust in the Lord, then to have confidence ^din man.

9 It is better to trust in the Lord, then to have confidence in princes.

10 All nations have compassed me: but in the Name of the Lord shal I destroy them.

11 Thei have compassed me, yea, they have compassed me: but in the Name of the Lord I shall destroy them.

12 Thei came about me like bees, *but* they were quenched as a fyre of thornes: for in the Name of the Lord I shal destroy them.

13 ^eThou hast thrust sore at me, that I might fall, but the Lord

15 ⁱ I perceive that God has a care over his, so that he both disposes their death and takes an account.

18 ^k I will thank him for his benefits: for that is a just payment, to confess that we owe all to God.

Psalm 117

1 ^{*}Rom. 15.11.

2 ^a That is, the most certain and continual testimonies of his Fatherly grace.

Psalm 118

1 ^a Because God by creating David King, showed his mercy toward his afflicted Church, the Prophet does not only himself thank God, but exhorts all the people to do the same.

5 ^b We are here taught, that the more that troubles oppress us, the more ought we to be instant in prayer.

6 ^c Being exalted to this estate, he assured himself to have man ever to be his enemy. Yet he doubted not, but God would maintain him because he had placed him.

8 ^d He shows that he had trusted in vain, if he had put his confidence in man, to have been preferred to the kingdom, and therefore he put his trust in God and obtained.

13 ^e He notes Saul his chief enemy.

hathe holpen me.

14 The Lord *is* my strength and ^fsong: for he hathe been my deliverance.

15 The ⁹voice of joy and deliverance *shalbe* in the tabernacle of the righteous, *saying*, The right hand of the Lord hathe done valiantly.

16 The right hand of the Lord is exalted: ^hthe right hand of the Lord hathe done valiantly.

17 I shal not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

18 The Lord hathe chastened me sore, but he hathe not delivered me to death.

19 Open ye unto me the ⁱgates of righteousness, *that* I maie go in to them, *and* praise the Lord.

20 This is the gate of the Lord: the righteous shal enter into it.

21 I wil praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and hast been my deliverance.

22 *The stone, *which* the buylders ^krefused, is the head of the corner.

23 This was the Lord's doing, *and* it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 This is the ^ldaie, *which* the Lord hathe made: let us rejoyce and be glad in it.

25 ^mO Lord, I praie thee, save now: ^o Lord, I praie thee now give prosperity.

26 Blessed *be he*, that cometh in the Name of the Lord: ⁿwe have blessed you out of the house of the Lord.

27 The Lord *is* mightie, and hathe given us ^olight: bind the sacrifice with cords unto the horns of the altar.

28 Praise ye the Lord, because he is good: for his mercie *endureth* for ever.

PSAL. 119.

1 The Prophet exhorteth the children of God to frame their lives according to his holie worde. 123 Also he sheweth wherein the true service of God standeth, that is, when we serve him according to his worde, and not after our own fantasies.

ALEPH.

Blessed *are* ^athose that are upright in *their* waie, *and* walk in the Law of the Lord. 2 Blessed *are* thei that keep his testimonies, *and* seek him with their whole heart.

3 Surely they work ^bnone iniquity, *that* walk in his waies.

4 Thou hast commanded to keep thy precepts diligently.

5 ^cOh that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes.

6 Then should I not be confounded, when I have respect unto all

14 f In that he was delivered, it came not of himself, nor of the power of man, but only of God's favor: therefore he will praise him.

15 g He promises both to render graces himself, and to cause others to do the same, because that in his person the Church was restored.

16 h So that all, that are both far and near may see his mighty power.

17 i He wills the doors of the Tabernacle to be opened, that he may declare his thankful mind.

22 *Is. 28.16, Mt. 21.42, Acts 4.11, Rom. 9.33, 1 Pet. 2.6.

22 k Though Saul and the chief powers refused me to be King, yet God has preferred me above them all.

24 l Wherein God has showed chiefly his mercy by appointing me King, and delivered his Church.

25 m The people pray for the prosperity of David's kingdom, who was the figure of Christ.

26 n Which are the priests, and have the charge thereof, as Num. 6.23.

27 o Because he has restored us from darkness to light, we will offer sacrifices and praises unto him.

Psalms 119

Gimel.

1 a Here they are not called blessed, which think themselves wise in their own judgement, nor which imagine to themselves a certain holiness, but they whose conversation is without hypocrisy.

3 b For they are ruled by God's Spirit and embrace no doctrine but his.

5 c David acknowledges his imperfection, desiring God to reform it that his life may be conformable to God's word.

thy commandments.

7 I wil praise thee with an upright ^dheart, when I shal learn the ^ejudgements of thy righteousness.

8 I wil keep thy statutes: forsake me not ^foverlong.

BETH.

9 Wherewith shal a ^ayong man redress his waie? in taking heed *thereto* according to thy word.

10 With my whole heart have I sought thee: let me not wander from thy commandments.

11 I have ^bhid thy promise in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

12 Blessed art thou, ^o Lord: teach me thy statutes.

13 With my lips have I declared all the judgements of thy mouth.

14 I have had as great ^cdelite in the way of thy testimonies, as in all riches.

15 I wil meditate in thy precepts, and consider thy waies.

16 I wil delite in thy statutes, *and* I wil not forget thy word.

GIMEL.

17 Be beneficial unto thy servant, *that* I maie ^alive and keep thy word.

18 Open mine eies, that I maie se the wonders of thy Law.

19 I am a ^bstranger upon earth: hide not thy commandments from me.

20 Mine heart breaketh for the desire to thy judgements alwaie.

21 Thou ^qhast destroyed the proud: cursed are they that do err from thy commandments.

22 Remove from me shame and contempt: for I have kept thy testimonies.

23 ^qPrinces also did sit, and speak against me: *but* thy servant did meditate in thy statutes.

24 Also thy testimonies *are* my delite, *and* my counselors.

DALETH.

25 My soul cleaveth to the ^adust: quicken me according to thy word.

26 I have ^bdeclared my waies, and thou heardest me: teach me thy statutes.

27 Make me to understand the waie of thy precepts, and I wil meditate in thy wonderous works.

28 My soul melteth for heaviness: raise me up according unto

7 d For true religion stands in serving God without hypocrisy.

7 e That is, your precepts, which contain perfect righteousness.

8 f He refuses not to be tried by tentations, but he fears to faint, if God succor not his infirmity in time.

Beth.

9 a Because youth is most given to licentiousness, he chiefly warns them to frame their lives betime to God's word.

11 b If God's word be graven in our hearts, we shall be more able to resist the assaults of Satan: and therefore the Prophet desires God to instruct him daily more and more therein.

14 c The Prophet does not boast of his virtues, but sets forth an example for others to follow God's word and leave worldly vanities.

Gimel.

17 a He shows that we ought not to desire to live but to serve God, and that we can not serve him aright, except he open our eyes and minds.

19 b Seeing man's life in this world is but a passage, what should become of him, if your word were not his guide?

21 c In all ages you have plagued all such, which maliciously and contemptuously depart from your truth.

23 d When the powers of the world gave false sentence against me, your word was a guide and counselor to teach me what to do, and to comfort me.

Daleth

25 a That is, it is almost brought to the grave, and without your word I can not live.

26 b I have confessed my offences, and now depend wholly on you.

thy ^cword.

29 Take from me the ^dwaie of lying, and grant me graciously thy Law.

30 I have chosen the waie of trueth, *and* thy judgements have I laied *before me*.

31 I have cleaved to thy testimonies, ô Lord: confound me not.

32 I wil run the waie of thy commandments, when thou ^eshalt enlarge mine heart.

HE.

33 Teach ^ame, ô Lord, the waie of thy statutes, and I wil keep it unto the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I wil keep thy Law: yea, I wil keep it with *my* whole ^bheart.

35 Direct me in the path of thy commandments: for therein is my delite.

36 Incline mine heart unto thy testimonies, and not to ^ccovetousness.

37 Turn awaie mine ^deyes from regarding vanitie, *and* quicken me in thy waie.

38 Stablish thy promise to thy servant, because he feareth thee.

39 Take awaie ^emy rebuke that I fear: for thy judgements *are* good.

40 Behold, I desire thy commandments: ^fquicken me in thy righteousness,

VAV.

41 And let thy ^aloving kindness come unto me, ô Lord, *and* thy salvation according to thy promise.

42 So shal I ^bmake answer unto my blasphemers: for I trust in thy word.

43 And take not the word of trueth utterly out of my mouth: for I wait for thy judgements.

44 So shal I alwaie keep thy Law for ever and ever.

45 And I wil ^cwalk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts.

46 I wil speak also of thy testimonies before ^dKings, and wil not be ashamed.

47 And my delite shalbe in thy commandments, which I have loved.

48 Mine hands also wil I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved, and I wil meditate in thy statutes.

ZAIN.

28 c If God did not maintain us by his word, our life would drop away like water.

29 d Instruct me in your word, whereby my mind may be purged from vanity and taught to obey your will.

32 e By this he shows that we can neither chose good, cleave to God's word, nor run forward in his way, except he make our hearts large to receive his grace, and willing to obey.

HE.

33 a He shows that he can not follow on to the end, except God teach him oft times and lead him forward.

34 b Not only in outward conversation, but also with inward affection.

36 c Hereby meaning all other vices, because that covetousness is the root of all evil.

37 d Meaning, all his senses.

39 e Let me not fall to your dishonor, but let my heart still delight in your gracious word.

40 f Give me strength to continue in your word even to the end.

VAV.

41 a He shows that God's mercy & love is the first cause of our salvation.

42 b By trusting in God's word he assures himself to be able to confute the slanders of his adversaries.

45 c They, that simply walk after God's word, have no lets to entangle them, where as they that do contrary, are ever in nets and snares.

46 d He shows that the children of God ought not to suffer their Father's glory to be obscured by the vain pomp of princes.

49 Remember ^athe promise *made* to thy servant, wherein thou hast caused me to trust.

50 It is my comfort in my trouble: for thy promise hathe quickened me.

51 The ^bproud have had me exceedingly in derision: *yet* have I not declined from thy Law.

52 I remembred thy ^cjudgements of old, ô Lord, and have been comforted.

53 ^dFear is come upon me for the wicked, that forsake thy Law.

54 Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my ^epilgrimage.

55 I have remembred thy Name, ô Lord, in the ^fnight, and have kept thy Law.

56 ^gThis I had because I kept thy precepts.

CHETH.

57 O Lord, *that art* my ^aportion, I have determined to keep thy words.

58 I made my supplication in thy presence with *my* whole heart: be merciful unto me according to thy promise.

59 I have considered my ^bwaies, and turned my feet into thy testimonies.

60 I made haste and delayed not to keep thy commandments.

61 The bands of the wicked have ^crobbed me: *but* I have not forgotten thy Law.

62 At midnight wil I rise to give thanks unto thee, because of thy righteous judgements.

63 I am ^dcompanion of all them that fear thee, and keep thy precepts.

64 The earth, ô Lord, is full of thy mercy: ^eteach me thy statutes.

TETH.

65 O Lord, thou hast dealt ^agraciously with thy servant according unto thy word.

66 Teach me good judgement & knowledge: for I have believed thy commandments.

67 Before I was ^bafflicted, I went astray: but now I keep thy word.

68 Thou art good and gracious: teach me thy statutes.

69 The proud have imagined a lie against me: *but* I will keep thy precepts with *my* whole heart.

70 ^cTheir heart is fat as grease: *but* my delite is in thy Law.

49 a Though he feel God's hand still to lie upon him, yet he rests on his promise and comforts himself therein.

51 b Meaning, the wicked, which contemn God's word, and tread his religion under foot.

52 c That is, the examples, whereby you declare yourself to be judge of the world.

53 d That is, a vehement zeal to your glory, and indignation against the wicked.

54 e In the course of this life and sorrowful exile.

55 f Even when others slept.

56 g That is, all these benefits.

CHETH.

57 a I am persuaded that to keep your Law is an heritage and great gain for me.

59 b He shows that none can embrace the word of God, except he consider his own imperfections and ways.

61 c They have gone about to draw me into their company.

63 d Not only in mutual consent, but also with aid and succor.

64 e For the knowledge of God's word is a singular token of his favor.

TETH.

65 a Having proved by experience that God was true to his promise, he desires that he would increase his knowledge and judgement.

67 b So Jeremiah says (Jer. 31.18), that before the Lord touched him, he was like a calf untamed: so that the use of God's rods is to call us home to God.

70 c Their heart is indurate and hardened, puffed up with prosperity and vain estimation of themselves.

71 It is ^dgood for me that I have been afflicted, that I maie learn thy statutes.

72 The Law of thy mouth is better unto me, then thousands of gold and silver.

JOD.

73 Thine hands have ^amade me & facioned me: give me understanding *therefore*, that I maie learn thy commandments.

74 So they that ^bfear thee, seing me shal rejoyce, because I have trusted in thy word.

75 I knowe, ô Lord, that thy judgements *are* right, and that thou hast afflicted me [^]justly.

76 I prairie thee that thy mercie maie comfort me according to thy promise unto thy servant.

77 Let thy tender mercies come unto me, that I maie ^olive: for thy Law *is* my delite.

78 Let the proud be ashamed: for they have dealt wickedly *and* falsely with me: *but* I meditate in thy precepts.

79 Let such as fear thee ^aturn unto me, and they that ^eknow thy testimonies.

80 Let mine heart be upright in thy statutes, that I be not ashamed.

CAPH.

81 My soul ^afainteth for thy salvation: *yet* I wait for thy word.

82 Mine eyes fail for thy promise, saying, When wilt thou comfort me?

83 For I am like a ^bbottel in the smoke: *yet* do I not forget thy statutes.

84 How manie are the ^edaies of thy servant? when wilt thou execute judgement on them that persecute me?

85 The proud have ^ddigged pittes for me, which is not after thy Law.

86 All thy commandments *are* true: they persecute me falsely: ^ehelp me.

87 They had almost consumed ^fme upon the earth: but I forsake not thy precepts.

88 Quicken me according to thy loving kindness, so shal I keep the testimony of thy mouth.

LAMED.

89 O Lord, thy word endureth for ever in ^aheaven.

71 d He confesses that before that he was chastened, he was rebellious, as man by nature is.

JOD.

73 a Because God leaves not his work, that he has begun, he desires a new grace that is, that he would continue his mercies.

74 b When God shows his grace toward any, he testifies to others that he fails not them that trust in him.

75 [^]Ebr., in truth.

77 c He declares, that when he felt not God's mercies, he was as dead.

79 d That is, be comforted by my example.

79 e He shows that there can be no true fear of God without the knowledge of his word.

CAPH.

81 a Though my strength fail me, yet my soul groans and sighs, resting still in your word.

83 b Like a skin bottle or bladder that is parched in the smoke.

84 c How long will you afflict your servant?

85 d They have not only oppressed me violently, but also craftily conspired against me.

86 e He assures himself, that God will deliver his and destroy such as unjustly persecute them.

87 f Finding no help in earth, he lifts up his eyes to heaven.

LAMED.

89 a Because none should esteem God's word, according to the changes of things in this world, he shows that it abides in heaven and therefore is immutable.

90 Thy trueth *is* from generation to generation: thou hast laied the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.

91 They ^bcontinue *even* to this daie by thine ordinances: for all *are* thy servants.

92 Except thy Law had been my delite, I should now have perished in mine affliction.

93 I wil never forget thy precepts: for by them thou hast quickened me.

94 I am ^othine, save me: for I have sought thy precepts.

95 The wicked have waited for me to destroy me: *but* I wil consider thy testimonies.

96 I ^dhave seen an end of all perfection: *but* thy commandment *is* exceeding large.

MEM.

97 Oh how love I thy Law! ^ait is my meditation continually.

98 By thy commandments thou hast made me wiser then mine enemies: for they are ever with me.

99 I have had more ^bunderstanding then all my teachers: for thy testimonies *are* my meditation.

100 I understood more then the ancient, because I kept thy precepts.

101 I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.

102 I have not declined from thy judgements: for ^ethou didest teach me.

103 How sweet are thy promises unto my mouth! *yea*, more then honie unto my mouth.

104 By thy precepts I have gotten understanding: therefore I hate all the ways of falsehood.

NUN.

105 Thy worde *is* a ^alanterne unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

106 I have ^bsworn and wil perform it, that I wil keep thy righteous judgements.

107 I am very sore afflicted: ô Lord, quicken me according to thy word.

108 O Lord, I beseech thee accept the ^efree offerings of my mouth, and teach me thy judgements.

109 My ^dsoul is continually in mine hand: yet do I not forget thy Law.

110 The wicked have layed a snare for me: but I swerved not from thy precepts.

111 Thy testimonies have I taken as an ^eheritage for ever, for

91 b Seeing the earth and all creatures remain in that estate, wherein you have created them, much more your truth remains constant and unchangeable.

94 c He proves by effect, that he is God's child, because he seeks to understand his word.

96 d There is no thing so perfect in earth, but it has an end: only God's word lasts forever.

MEM.

97 a He shows that we cannot love God's word, except we exercise ourselves therein and practice it.

99 b Whosoever does submit himself only to God's word, shall not only be safe against the practices of his enemies, but also learn more wisdom, then they that profess it, and are men of experience.

102 c So then of ourselves we can do nothing, but when God does inwardly instruct us with his Spirit, we feel his graces sweeter then honey.

NUN.

105 a Of ourselves we are but darkness, and can not see, except we be lightened with God's word.

106 b So all the faithful ought to bind themselves to God by a solemn oath and promise, to stir up their zeal to embrace God's word.

108 c That is, my prayers and thanksgiving, which sacrifice Hosea calls the calves of the lips. Hos. 14.2.

109 d That is, I am in continual danger of my life.

111 e I esteemed no worldly things, but made your word my inheritance.

they are the joy of mine heart.

112 I have applied mine heart to fulfill thy statutes alwaie, *even* unto the end.

SAMECH.

113 I hate ^avain inventions: but thy Law do I love.

114 Thou art my refuge and shield, *and* I trust in thy word.

115 ^bAwaie from me, ye wicked: for I wil keep the commandments of my God.

116 Stablish me according to thy promise, that I may live, and disappoint me not of mine hope.

117 ^cStay thou me, and I shalbe safe, and I wil delite continually in thy statutes.

118 Thou hast trodden down all them that depart from thy statutes: for their ^ddeceit *is* vain.

119 Thou hast taken away all the wicked of the earth *like* ^edross: therefore I love thy testimonies.

120 My flesh ^ftrembleth for fear of thee, and I am afraid of thy judgements.

AIN.

121 I have executed judgement and justice: leave me not to mine oppressors.

122 ^aAnswer for thy servant in that, which is good, *and* let not the proud oppress me.

123 Mine eyes have failed *in waiting* for thy salvation, and for thy just promise.

124 Deal with thy ^bservant according to thy mercie, and teach me thy statutes.

125 I am thy servant: grant me *therefore* understanding, that I maie knowe thy testimonies.

126 It is ^ctime for the Lord to work: *for* they have destroyed thy Law.

127 Therefore love I thy commandments above gold, yea, above most fine gold.

128 Therefore I esteem all thy precepts most just, and hate all false ^dways.

PE.

129 Thy testimonies *are* ^awonderful: therefore doeth my soul keep them.

130 The entrance into thy ^bwords sheweth light, & giveth under-

113 a Whosoever will embrace God's word aright, must abhor all fantasies and imaginations both of himself and of others

115 b And hinder me not to keep the Law of the Lord.

117 c He desires God's continual assistance lest he should faint in this race, which he had begun.

118 d The crafty practices of them that contemn your Law, shall be brought to naught.

119 e Which infected your people, as dross does the metal.

120 f Your judgements do not only teach me obedience, but cause me to fear, considering my own weakness, which fear causes repentance.

AIN.

122 a Put yourself between my enemies and me, as if you were my pledge.

124 b He boasts not that he is God's servant, but hereby puts God in mind, that as he made him his by his grace, so he would continue his favor toward him.

126 c The Prophet shows that when the wicked have brought all things to confusion, and God's word to utter contempt, then is it God's time to help and send remedy.

128 d That is, whatsoever dissents from the purity of your word.

PE.

129 a Containing high and secret mysteries, so that I am moved with admiration and reverence.

130 b The simple idiots, that submit themselves to God, have their eyes opened, and their minds illuminated so soon as they begin to read God's word.

standing to the simple.

131 I opened my mouth and ^cpanted, because I loved thy commandments.

132 Look upon me and be merciful unto me, as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name.

133 Direct my steps in thy word, and let none iniquity have dominion over me.

134 Deliver me from the oppression of men, and I wil keep thy precepts.

135 Shewe the light of thy countenance upon thy servant, and teach me thy statutes.

136 Mine eyes gush ^dout with rivers of water, because they keep not thy Law.

TSADDI.

137 Righteous art thou, \hat{o} Lord, and just *are* thy judgements.

138 Thou hast commanded ^ajustice by thy testimonies and truth especially.

139 ^{*}My zeal hath even consumed me, because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.

140 Thy word is proved ^bmost pure, and thy servant loveth it.

141 I am ^csmall and despised, *yet* do I not forget the precepts.

142 Thy righteousness *is* an everlasting righteousness, and thy Law *is* truth.

143 Trouble and anguish are come upon me: *yet are* thy commandments my delite.

144 The righteousness of thy testimonies *is* everlasting: grant me understanding, and I shal ^dlive.

KOPH.

145 I have ^acryed with *my* whole heart: hear me, \hat{o} Lord, *and* I wil keep thy statutes.

146 I called upon thee: save me, and I wil keep thy testimonies.

147 I prevented the morning light, and cryed: *for* I waited on thy word.

148 Mine eyes ^bprevent the *night* watches to meditate in thy word.

149 Hear my voice according to thy loving kindness: \hat{o} Lord, quicken me according to thy ^cjudgement.

150 They draw near, that follow after ^cmalice, *and are* far from thy Law.

151 Thou art near, \hat{o} Lord: for all thy commandments *are* true.

152 I have knowen long since ^dby thy testimonies, that thou hast established them for ever.

RESH.

153 Behold mine affliction, & deliver me: for I have not forgotten thy Law.

131 c My zeal toward your word was so great.

136 d He shows what ought to be the zeal of God's children, when they see his word contemned.

TSADDI.

138 a We can not confess God to be righteous, except we live uprightly and truly, as he has commanded.

139 ^{*}Ps. 69.9, 2 Pet. 2.1.

140 b Gold has need to be fined, but your word: is perfection itself.

141 c This is the true trial, to praise God in adversity.

144 d So that the life of man without the knowledge of God is death.

KOPH.

145 a He shows that all his affections and whole heart were bent to Godward for to have help in his dangers.

148 b He is more earnest in the study of God's word, then they, that kept the watch, were in their charge.

149 [^]Or, custom.

150 c He shows the nature of the wicked to be to persecute against their conscience.

152 d His faith is grounded upon God's word, that he would ever be at hand when his children be oppressed.

154 Plead my cause, and deliver me: quicken me according unto thy ^aword.
 155 Salvation *is* far from the wicked, because they seek not thy statutes.
 156 Great are thy tender mercies, ô Lord: quicken me according to thy ^bjudgements.
 157 My persecutors and mine oppressors *are* many: yet do I not swerve from thy testimonies.
 158 I saw the transgressors and was ^cgrieved, because they kept not thy word.
 159 Consider, ô Lord, how I ^dlove thy precepts: quicken me according to thy loving kindness.
 160 The ^ebeginning of thy word *is* truth, and all the judgements of thy righteousness *endure* for ever.

SCHIN.

161 Princes have ^apersecuted me without cause, but mine heart stood in awe of thy words.
 162 I rejoyce at thy word, as one that findeth a great spoil.
 163 I hate falsehood and abhor it, *but* thy Law do I love.
 164 ^bSeven times a daie do I praise thee, because of thy righteous judgements.
 165 They, ^cthat love thy Law, shal have great prosperity, and they shal have none hurt.
 166 Lord, I have ^dtrusted in thy salvation, and have done thy commandments.
 167 My soul hath kept thy testimonies: for I love them exceedingly.
 168 I have kept thy precepts and thy testimonies: ^efor all my waies *are* before thee.

TAV.

169 Let my complaint come before thee, ô Lord, *and* give me understanding, ^aaccording unto thy word.
 170 Let my supplication come before thee, *and* deliver me according to thy promise.
 171 My lips shal ^bspeak praise, when thou hast ^ctaught me thy statutes.
 172 My tongue shal intreate of thy word: for all thy commandments *are* righteous.
 173 Let thine hand help me: for I have chosen thy precepts.
 174 I have longed for thy salvation, ô Lord, and thy Law *is* my delite.
 175 Let my soul live, & it shal praise thee, and thy ^djudgements

154 a For without God's promise there is no hope of deliverance.
 156 b According to your promise made in the Law, which because the wicked lack, they can have no hope of salvation.
 158 c My zeal consumed me, when I saw their malice and contempt of your glory.
 159 d It is a sure sign of our adoption, when we love the Law of God.
 160 e Since the first promise, even to the end all your sayings are true.

SCHIN.

161 a The threatenings and persecutions of princes could not cause me to shrink to confess you, whom I more fear than men.
 164 b That is, often and sundry times.
 165 c For their conscience assures them, that they please you, whereas they, that love not you, have the contrary.
 166 d He shows that we must first have faith, before we can work and please God.
 168 e I had no respect of men, but set you always before my eyes, as the judge of my doings.

TAV.

169 a As you have promised to be the schoolmaster unto all them, that depend upon you.
 171 b The word signifieth to pour forth continually.
 171 c All his prayer and desire is, to profit in the word of God.
 175 d That is, your provident care over me, and wherewith you will judge my enemies.

shal help me.

176 I have ^egone astray like a lost sheep: seek thy servant, for I do not forget thy commandments.

PSAL. 120.

1 The prayer of David being vexed by the false reports of Saul's flatterers. 5 And therefore he lamenteth his long abode among those infidels, 7 Who were given to all kind of wickedness and contention.

¶ *A song of ^adegrees.*

I Called unto the Lord in my ^btrouble, and he heard me. 2 Deliver my soul, ô Lord, from lying lips, *and* from a deceitful tongue.

3 What doeth *thy* ^cdeceitful tongue bring unto thee? or what doeth it avail thee?

4 *It is* as the ^dsharp arrows of a mighty man, and as the coals of juniper.

5 *Wo is* to me that I remain in ^eMéshech, *and* dwell in the tents of ^fKedár.

6 My soul hath too long dwelt with him that hateth peace.

7 *I seek* ^gpeace, and when I speak *thereof*, they are *bent* to war.

PSAL. 121.

1 This Psalme teacheth that the faithful ought only to look for help at God, 7 Who only doeth maintain, preserve and prosper his Church.

¶ *A song of degrees.*

I Wil lift mine eyes ^aunto the mountains, from whence mine help shal come. 2 Mine help *commeth* from the Lord, which hath made the ^bheaven and the earth.

3 He wil not suffer thy foot to slip: *for* he that kepeth thee, wil not ^bslumber.

4 Behold, he that kepeth Israël, wil neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The Lord *is* thy keeper: the Lord *is* thy shadow at thy right hand.

6 The sun shal not ^csmite thee by daie, nor the moon by night.

7 The Lord shal preserve thee from all evil: he shal keep thy soul.

8 The Lord shal preserve thy ^dgoing out, and thy coming in from hence forth and for ever.

176 e Being chased to and fro by my enemies, and having no place to rest in.

Psalme 120

a That is, of lifting up the tune and rising in singing.

1 b Albeit the children of God ought to rejoice, when they suffer for righteousness' sake, yet it is a great grief to the flesh to hear evil for well doing.

3 c He assured himself that God would turn their craft to their own destruction.

4 d He shows that there is nothing so sharp to pierce, nor so hot to set on fire as a slanderous tongue.

5 e These were people of Arabia, which came of Japheth, Gen, 10.2.

5 f That is, of the Ishmaelites.

7 g He declares what he means by Meshech, and Kedar: to wit, the Israelites which had degenerate from their godly fathers and hated and contended against the faithful.

Psalme 121

1 ^aOr, above the mountains: meaning, that there is nothing so high in this world, wherein he can trust, but only in God.

2 a He accuses man's ingratitude, which cannot depend on God's power.

3 b He shows that God's providence not only watches over his Church in general, but also over every member thereof.

6 c Neither heat nor cold, nor any incommodity shall be able to destroy God's Church: albeit for a time they may molest it.

8 d Whatsoever you do enterprise, shall have good success.

PSAL. 122.

1 David rejoyceth in the name of the faithful, that God hath accomplished his promise, and placed his Ark in Ziôn. 5 For the which he giveth thanks, 8 And praieth for the prosperity of the Church.

¶ A song of degrees, or Psalme of David.

J^aRejoyced, when they said to me, We wil go into the house of the Lord. 2 Our ^bfeet shal stand in thy gates, ô Jerusalém. 3 Jerusalém *is* buylded as a citie, that is ^ccompact together in it self: 4 Whereunto ^dthe tribes, *even* the tribes of the Lord go up *according* to the testimony to Israél, to praise the Name of the Lord. 5 For there are thrones set for judgement, *even* the thrones of the house of ^eDavid. 6 Praie for the peace of Jerusalém: let them prosper that love thee. 7 Peace be within thy ^fwalls, *and* prosperity within thy palaces. 8 For my ^gbrethren and neighbor's sakes I wil wish thee now prosperity. 9 Because of the House of the Lord our God, I wil procure thy wealth.

PSAL. 123.

1 A praier of the faithful, which were afflicted either in Babylon or under Antiochus by the wicked worldlings & contemners of God.

¶ A song of degrees.

J Lift up mine eyes to thee, that dwellest in the heavens. 2 Behold, as the eyes of ^aservants *look* unto the hand of their masters, *and* as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mastres: so our eyes *wait* upon the Lord our God until he have mercie upon us. 3 Have mercie upon us, ô Lord, have mercie upon us: for we have ^bsuffered too much contempt. 4 Our soul is filled too ful of the mocking of the wealthy, *and* of the despitefulness of the proud.

PSAL. 124.

1 The people of God, escaping a great peril, do acknowledge them selves to be delivered, not by their own force, but by the power of God 4 They declare the greatness of the peril, 6 And praise the Name of God.

¶ A song of degrees, or Psalme of David.

1 a He rejoices that God had appointed a place, where the Ark should still remain.
2 b Which were want to wander to and fro, as the Ark removed.
3 c By the artificial joining and beauty of the houses, he means the concord, and love that was between the citizens.
4 d All the tribes according to God's covenant shall come and pray there.
5 e In whose house God placed the throne of justice, & made it a figure of Christ's kingdom.
7 f The favor of God prosper you both within and without.
8 g Not only for my own sake, but for all the faithful.

Psalme 123

2 a He compares the condition of the godly to servants that are destitute of all help, assuring that when all other helps fail, God is ever at hand and like himself.
3 b He declares that when the faithful are so full, that they can no more endure the oppressions, and scornings of the wicked, there is always help above, if with hungry desire they call for it.

JF the Lord had not ^abeen on our side, (maie Israél now say) 2 If the Lord had not been on our side, when men rose up against us, 3 They had then swallowed us up ^bquickly, when their wrath was kindled against us. 4 Then the ^cwaters had drowned us, *and* the stream had gone over our soul: 5 Then had the swelling waters gone over our soul. 6 Praised *be* the Lord, which hath not given us as a prey unto their teeth. 7 Our soul is escaped, even as a bird out of the ^dsnare of the foulers: the snare is broken and we are delivered. 8 Our help *is* in the Name of the Lord, which hath made heaven and earth.

PSAL. 125.

1 He describeth the assurance of the faithful in their afflictions, 4 And desireth their wealth, 5 And the destruction of the wicked.

¶ A song of degrees.

They that trust in the Lord, *shalbe* as mount Ziôn, *which* can not be ^aremoved, *but* remaineth for ever. 2 As the mountains *are* about Jerusalém: so *is* the Lord about his people from hence forth and for ever. 3 For the ^brod of the wicked shal not rest on the lot of the righteous, lest the righteous put forth their hand unto wickedness. 4 Do wel, ô Lord, unto those that be good & true in their hearts. 5 ^cBut these that turn aside by their crooked *waies*, them shal the Lord lead with the workers of iniquity: *but* peace *shalbe* upon Israél.

PSAL. 126.

1 This psalme was made after the return of the people from Babylon, and sheweth that the means of their deliverance was wonderful after the seventy years of captivity forespoken by Jeremie chap. 25.12 and 29.10.

¶ A song of degrees or Psalme of David.

When the Lord brought again the captivity of Ziôn, we were like them that ^adream. 2 Then was our mouth ^bfilled with laughter, and our tongue with joy: then said they among the ^cheathen, The Lord hath done great things for them. 3 The Lord hath done great things for us, *whereof* we rejoyce. 4 O Lord, bring again our captivity, as the ^drivers in the South.

1 a He shows that God was ready to help at need, and that there was none other way to be saved, but by his only means.
3 b So unable were we to resist.
4 c He uses most proper similitudes to express the great danger that the Church was in, and out of the which God miraculously delivered them.
7 d For the wicked did not only furiously rage against the faithful, but craftily imagined to destroy them.

Psalme 125.

1 a Though the world be subject to mutations, yet the people of God shall stand sure and be defended by God's providence.
3 b Though God suffer his to be under the cross, lest they should embrace wickedness, yet this cross shall not so rest upon them, that it should drive them from hope.
5 c He desires God to purge his Church from hypocrites and such as have no zeal of the truth.

Psalme 126.

1 a Their deliverance was as a thing incredible, and therefore took away all excuse of ingratitude.
2 b He shows how the godly ought to rejoyce, when God gathers his Church or delivers it.
2 c If the infidels confess God's wonderful work, the faithful can never show themselves sufficiently thankful.
4 d It is no more impossible to God to deliver his people, then to cause the rivers to run in the wilderness and barren places.

5 Thei that sow in tears, shal reap in joy.
6 Thei went weeping and carried ^eprecious seed: *but* they shal return with joy and bring their sheaves.

PSAL. 127.

1 He sheweth that the whole estate of the world, both domestical and political standeth by God's mere providence and blessing, 3 And that to have children wel nurtured is an especial grace and gift of God.

¶ *A song of degrees or Psalme of Solomón.*

Except the Lord ^abuyld the house, thei labor in vain that ^bbuyld it: except the Lord keep the ^ccitie, the keeper watcheth in vain.

2 It is in vain for ^cyou to rise early, *and* to lye down late, *and* eat the bread ^dof sorrow: *but* he wil surely give ^erest to his beloved.

3 Behold, children are the inheritance of the Lord, *and* the fruit of the womb *his* reward.

4 As *are* the arrows in the hand of the strong man: so *are* the ^fchildren of youth.

5 Blessed *is* the man, that hathe his quiver ful of them: *for* they ^gshal not be ashamed, when they speak with *their* enemies in the gate.

PSAL. 128.

1 He sheweth that blessedness apperteineth not to all universally, but to them only that fear the Lord, and walk in his ways.

¶ *A song of degrees.*

Blessed *is* every one that feareth the Lord and walketh in his ^aways. 2 When thou eatest the labors of thine ^bhands, thou shalt be blessed, and it shalbe wel with thee.

3 Thy wife *shalbe* as the fruteful vine on the sides of thine house, *and* thy ^cchildren like the olive plants round about thy table.

4 Lo, surely thus shal the man be blessed, that feareth the Lord.

5 The Lord out of Zión shal ^dbless thee and thou shalt see the wealth of ^eJerusalém all the days of thy life.

6 Yea, thou shalt see thy children's children, & peace upon Israël.

PSAL. 129.

2 He admonisheth the Church to rejoyce though it be afflicted. 4

6 e That is, seed which was scares and dear: meaning, that they which trusted in God's promise to return, had their desire.

Psalm 127

1 a That is, govern and dispose all things pertaining to the family.

1 b The public estate of the commonwealth.

2 c Which watch, and ward, and are also magistrates, and rules of the city.

2 d Either that, which is gotten by hard labor, or eaten with grief of mind.

2 e Not exempting them from labor, but making their labors comfortable, and as it were a rest.

4 f That is, endued with strength and virtues from God: for these are signs of God's blessings, and not the number.

5 g Such children shall be able to stop their adversary's mouths, when their godly life is maliciously accused before judges.

Psalm 128

1 a God approves not our life, except it be reformed, according to his word.

2 b The world esteems them happy, which live in wealth, and idleness: but the holie Gost approves them best, that live of the mean profit of their labors.

3 c Because God's favor appears in none outward thing more then in increase of children, he promises to enrich the faithful with this gift.

5 d Because of the spiritual blessing, which God has made to his Church, these temporal things shall be granted.

5 e For except God blessed his Church publicly, this private blessing were nothing.

For by the righteous Lord it shalbe delivered, 6 And the enemies for all their glorious shewe, shal suddenly be destroyed.

¶ *A song of degrees.*

They have often times afflicted me from my youth (may ^aIsraél now say) 2 They have often times afflicted me from my youth: but they could not prevail against me.

3 The plowers plowed upon my back, *and* made long furrows.

4 *But* the ^brighteous Lord hathe cut the cords of the wicked.

5 They that hate Zión, shalbe all ashamed and turned backward.

6 ^cThey *shalbe* as the grass on the house tops, which withered afore it commeth forth.

7 Whereof the mower filleth not his hand, neither the gleaner his lap:

8 ^dNeither they, which go by, say, The blessing of the Lord *be* upon you, *or*, We bless you in the Name of the Lord.

PSAL. 130.

1 The people of God from their bottomless miseries do crye unto God, and are heard. 3 They confess their sins and flee unto God's mercie.

¶ *A song of degrees.*

Out of the ^adeep places have I called unto thee, ô Lord. 2 Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears attend to the voice of my praiers.

3 If thou, ô Lord, straitly markest iniquities, ô Lord, ^bwho shal stand?

4 But mercie *is* with thee, that thou ^cmaiest be feared.

5 I have waited on the Lord: my soul hathe waited, and I have trusted in his word.

6 My soul *waiteth* on the Lord more then the morning watch watcheth for the morning.

7 Let Israël wait on the Lord: for with the Lord *is* ^dmercie, and with him *is* great redemption.

8 And he shal redeem Israël from all his iniquities.

PSAL. 131.

1 David charged with ambition and greedy desire to reign, protesteth his humility and modesty before God, and teacheth all men, what they should do.

¶ *A song of degrees or Psalme of David.*

Lord, ^amine heart is not hawtie, neither are mine eyes lofty, ^bneither have I walked in great ^cmatters and hid from me.

2 Surely I have behaved my self, like one weaned from his

1 a The Church now afflicted ought to remember, how her condition has ever been such from the beginning: to be molested most grievously by the wicked: yet in time it has ever been delivered.

4 b Because God is righteous, he can not but plague his adversaries, and deliver his, as oxen out of the plow.

6 c The enemies that lift themselves most high, and as it were, approach near to the sun, are consumed with the heat of God's wrath, because they are not grounded in godly humility.

8 d That is, the wicked shall perish and none shall pass for them.

Psalm 130

1 a Being in great distress and sorrow.

3 b He declares that we cannot be just before God, but by forgiveness of sins.

4 c Because of nature you are merciful: therefore the faithful reverence you.

7 d He shows to whom the mercy of God does appertain: to Israel, that is to the Church, and not to the reprobate.

Psalm 131

1 a He sets forth his great humility, as an example to all rulers and governors.

1 b Which pass the measure and limits of his vocation.

mother, and kept silence: I am in my self as one that is ^cweaned.
3 Let Israël wait on the Lord from hence forth and for ever.

PSAL. 132.

1 The faithful, grounding on God's promise made unto David, desire that he would establish the same, both as touching his posterity and the building of the Temple, to praie there as was forespoken, Deut. 12.5.

¶ *A song of degrees.*

Lord, remember David with all his ^aaffliction. 2 Who sware unto the Lord, *and* vowed unto the mightie *God* of Jaakób, *saying,*

3 I ^bwil not enter into the tabernacle of mine house, nor come upon my palet or bed,

4 Nor suffer mine eyes to sleep, nor mine eye lids to slumber,

5 Until I find out a place for the ^cLord, an habitation for the mightie *God* of Jaakób.

6 Lo, we heard of it in ^dEphráthah, *and* found it in the fields of the forest.

7 We wil entre into his Tabernacles, *and* worship before his fote stole.

8 Arise, ô Lord, *to come* into thy ^erest, thou, and the Ark of thy strength.

9 Let thy Priests be clothed with ^frighteousness, and let thy Saints rejoyce.

10 For thy ^gservant David's sake refuse not the face of thine Anointed.

11 The Lord hathe sworn in trueth unto David, and he wil not shrink from it, *saying,* Of the fruit of thy body wil I set upon thy throne.

12 If thy sonnes keep my covenant, and my testimonies, that I shal teach them, their sonnes also shal sit upon thy throne for ^hever.

13 For the Lord hathe chosen Zión, & loved to dwell in it, *saying,* 14 This is my rest for ever: here wil I dwell, for I have a ⁱdelite therein.

15 I wil surely bless her vitailles, & wil satisfy her poor with bread, 16 And wil clothe her Priests with ^ksalvation, and her Saints shal shout for joy.

17 There wil I make the ^lhorn of David to bud: *for* I have ordained a light for mine Anointed.

18 His enemies wil I clothe with shame, but on him his crown shal florish.

2 c He was void of ambition and wicked desires.

Psalms 132

1 a That is, with how great difficulty he came to the Kingdom, and with how great zeal and care he went about to build your Temple.

3 b Because the chief charge of the King was to set forth God's glory, he shows, that he could take no rest, neither would go about any worldly thing, were it never so necessary, before he had executed his office.

5 c That is, the Ark, which was a sign of God's presence.

6 d The common brute was that the Ark should remain in Ephrathah: that is, in Bethlehem a plentiful place but after we perceived that you would place it in Jerusalem, which was barren as a forest and compassed about only with hills.

8 e That is, Jerusalem, because that afterward his Ark should remove to none other place.

9 f Let the effect of your grace both appear in the Priests & in the people.

10 g As you first made promise to David, so continue it to his posterity, that whatsoever they shall ask for their people, it may be granted.

12 h Because this cannot be accomplished but in Christ, it follows that the promise was spiritual.

14 i Meaning, for his own sake, and not for the plentifulnes of the place: for he promises to bless it, declaring before, that it was barren.

16 k That is, with my protection, whereby they shall be safe.

17 l Though his force for a time seemed to be broken, yet he promises to restore it.

PSAL. 133.

1 This psalme containeth the commendacion of brotherly amitie among the servants of God.

¶ *A song of degrees or Psalme of David.*

Behold, how good and how comelie a thing it is, brethren to dwell even ^atogether. 2 *It* is like to the precious ^bointment upon the head, that runneth down upon the beard, *even* unto Aaron's beard, which went down to the border of his garments: 3 *And* as the dew of ^cHermón, which falleth upon the mountains of Zión: for ^dthere the Lord appointed the blessing & life for ever.

PSAL. 134.

1 He exhorteth the Levites, watching in the Temple, to praise the Lord.

¶ *A song of degrees.*

BEhold, praise ye the Lord, all ye ^aservants of the Lord, ye that by night stand in the House of the Lord. 2 Lift up your ^bhands to the Sanctuarie, and praise the Lord.

3 The Lord, that hathe ^cmade heaven and earth, bless thee out of Zión.

PSAL. 135.

1 He exhorteth all the faithful, of what estate so ever they be, to praise God for his marvelous works, 12 And specially for his graces toward his people, wherein he hathe declared his majesty, 15 To the confusion of all idolaters and their idols.

¶ *Praise ye the Lord.*

Praise the Name of the Lord: ye servants of the Lord, praise ^ahim. 2 Ye that stand in the ^bHouse of the Lord, *and* in the ^ccourts of the House of our God,

3 Praise ye the Lord: for the Lord is good: sing praises unto his Name: for it is a comelie thing.

4 For the Lord hathe ^cchosen Jaakób to him self, *and* Israël for his chief treasure.

5 For I knowe that the Lord *is* great, and that our Lord *is* above all gods.

6 Whatsoever pleased the Lord, that ^ddid he in heaven and in earth, in the sea, and in all the depths.

7 He bringeth up the clouds from the ends of the earth, & maketh the ^elightnings with the rain: he draweth forth the wind out of his treasures.

1 a Because the greatest part were against David, though some favored him, yet when he was established King, at length they joined all together like brothers: & therefore he shows by these similitudes the commodity of brotherly love.

2 b The ointment was a figure of the graces, which come from Christ the head unto his Church.

3 c By Hermon & Zion he means the plentiful country about Jerusalem.

3 d Where there is such concord.

Psalms 134

1 a You that are Levites and chiefly appointed to this office.

2 b For their charge was not only to keep the Temple, but to pray there and to give God thanks.

3 c And therefore has all power, bless you with his Fatherly love declared on Zion. Thus the Levites used to praise the Lord, & bless the people.

Psalms 135

2 a You Levites that are in his Sanctuary.

2 b Meaning the people: for the people and Levites had their courts, which were places of the Temple separate.

4 c That is, has freely loved the posterity of Abraham.

6 d He joins God's power with his will, to the intent that we should not separate them: and hereby he wills God's people to depend on his power, which he confirms by examples.

7 *Jer. 10.12,

8 *He smote the first born of Egypt both of man and beast.
 9 He hathe sent tokens and wonders into the middes of thee, ô Egypt, upon Pharaóh, and upon all his servants.
 10 *He smote manie nations, and slewe mightie Kings:
 11 As Sihón King of the Amorites, and Og King of Bashan, and all the kingdoms of Canáan:
 12 And ^e gave their land for an inheritance, *even* an inheritance unto Israél his people.
 13 Thy Name, ô Lord, *endureth* for ever: ô Lord, thy remembrance *is* from generation to generation.
 14 For the Lord wil ^fjudge his people, and be pacified towards his servants.
 15 The ^gidoles of the heathen *are* silver and gold, *even* the work of men's hands.
 16 Thei have a mouth, and speak not: thei have eyes and se not.
 17 Thei have ears and hear not, neither is there anie breath in their mouth.
 18 Thei that make them, are like unto them: *so are* all that trust in them.
 19 Praise the Lord, ye house of Israél: praise the Lord, ye house of Aarón.
 20 Praise the Lord, ye house of Leví: ye that fear the Lord, praise the Lord.
 21 Praised *be* the Lord out of Zión, which dwelleth in Jerusalém. Praise ye the Lord.

PSAL. 136.

1 A most earnest exhortation to give thanks unto God for the creation and governance of all things which standeth in confessing that he giveth us all of his mere liberality.

Praise ye the Lord, because he is good: for his ^amercies *endureth* for ever. 2 Praise ye the God of gods: for his mercies *endureth* for ever.
 3 Praise ye the Lord of lords: for his mercies *endureth* for ever.
 4 Which only doeth great wonders: for his mercies *endureth* for ever.
 5 Which by *his* wisdom made the heavens: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:
 6 Which hathe stretched out the earth upon the waters: for his ^bmercies *endureth* for ever:
 7 Which made the great lights: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:
 8 As the sunne to rule the daie: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:
 9 The moone and the stares to governe the night: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:
 10 Which smote Egypt with their first borne (for his mercies *endureth* for ever)
 11 And ^cbrought out Israél from among them (for his mercies *endureth* for ever)

8 *Ex. 12.12.

10 *Num. 21.1, 24 and 33.

12 e He shows what fruit the godly conceive of God's power, whereby they see how he destroys his enemies, and delivers his people.

14 f That is, govern and defend his people.

15 g By showing what punishment God appoints for the heathen idolaters, he warns his people to beware the like offense, seeing that idols have neither power nor life, and that their deliverance came not by idols, but by the mighty power of God read Ps. 115.4.

Psalm 136

1 a By this repetition he shows that the least of God's benefits bind us to thanksgiving: but chiefly his mercy, which is principally declared towards his Church.

6 b This was a common kind of thanksgiving, which the whole people used, when they had received any benefit of God, as 2 Chron. 7.6 and 20.21: meaning that God was not only merciful to their fathers, but also continued the same to their posterity.

11 c God's merciful providence toward man appears in all his creatures, but chiefly in that that he delivered his Church from the thraldome of their enemies.

12 With a mighty hand and ^dstretched out arme: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

13 Which divided the red Sea in two partes: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

14 And made Israél to pass through the middes of it: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

15 And overthrewe Pharaóh and his hoste in the red Sea: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

16 Which led his people through the ^ewildernes: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

17 Which smote great Kings: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

18 And slewe ^fmighty Kings: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

19 As Sihón King of the Amorites: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

20 And Og the King of Bashán: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

21 And gave their land for an heritage: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

22 *Even* an heritage unto Israél his servant: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

23 Which remembered us in our ^gbase estate: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

24 And hath rescued us from our oppressors: for his mercies *endureth* for ever:

25 Which giveth foode to all ^hflesh: for his mercies *endureth* for ever.

26 ⁱPraise ye the God of heaven: for his mercies *endureth* for ever.

PSAL. 137.

1 The people of God in their banishment seeing God's true religion decay, lived in great anguish and sorrow of heart: the which grief the Chaldeans did so little pitie, 3 That thei rather increased the same daiely with tauntes, reproaches, and blasphemies against God 7 Wherefore the Israelites desire God, first to punish the Edomites, who provoked the Babylonians against them, 8 And moved by the Spirit of God, prophecie the destruction of Babylon, where thie were handled so tyrannously.

By the rivers of Babél we ^asate, and there we wept, when we remembered Zión. 2 We hanged our harpes upon the willows in the middes ^bthereof.

3 Then thei that led us captives, ^crequired of us songs and mirth, when we had hanged up *our harpes*, saying, Sing us *one* of the songs of Zión.

4 How shal we sing, *said we*, a song of the Lord in a strange land?

5 ^dIf I forget thee, ô Jerusalém, let my right hand forget *to play*.

12 d In doing such a work as was never done before, nor that any other could do.

16 e Where for the space of forty years he showed infinite and most strange wonders.

18 f Declaring thereby that no power nor authority was so dear unto him, as the love of his Church.

23 g In our greatest affliction and slavery, when we looked for nothing less then to have had any succor.

25 h Seeing that God provides, even for the beasts: much more has he care over his.

26 i Seeing that all ages have had most plain testimonies of God's benefits.

Psalm 137

1 a That is, we abode a long time: and albeit that the country was pleasant, yet could it not stay our tears, nor turn us from the true service of our God.

2 b To wit, of that country.

3 c The Babylonians spoke thus in mocking us, as though by our silence we should signify that we hoped no more in God.

5 d Albeit the faithful are touched with their particular griefs, yet the common sorrow of the Church is most grievous unto them, and are such as they can not but remember and lament.

6 If I do not remembre thee, let my tongue cleave to the rofe of my mouth: yea, if I prefer not Jerusalém to my ^echief joy.
 7 Remember the children of ^fEdôm, ô Lord, in the ^gdaie of Jerusalém, which said, Rase it, rase it to the foundation thereof.
 8 O daughter of Babel, worthie to be destroyed, blessed *shal he* be that rewardeth thee, as thou hast served us.
 9 ^hBlessed *shal he* be that taketh and dasheth thy children against the stones.

PSAL. 138.

1 David with great courage praiseth the goodness of God toward him, the which is so great, 4 That it is knowen to forren princes, who shal praise the Lord together with him 6 And he is assured to have like comfort of God in the time following, as he hath had heretofore.

¶ A Psalme of David.

I Wil praise thee with my whole heart: *even* before the ^agods wil I praise thee. 2 I wil worship toward thine holie ^bTemple and praise thy Name, because of thy loving kindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy Name above all things by thy word.
 3 When I called, then thou heardest me, *and* hast ^cincreased strength in my soul.
 4 All the ^dKings of the earth shal praise thee, ô Lord: for they have heard the words of thy mouth.
 5 And thei shal sing of the waies of the Lord, because the glorie of the Lord *is* great.
 6 For the Lord is high: yet he beholdeth the lowely, but the proude he knoweth ^ea farre off.
 7 Though I walk in the middes of trouble, *yet* wilt thou revive me: thou wilt stretch forth thine hand upon the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shal save me.
 8 The Lord wil ^fperforme *his work* toward me: ô Lord, thy mercie *endureth* for ever: forsake not the works of thine hands.

PSAL. 139.

1 David to cleanse his heart from all hypocrise sheweth that there is nothing so hid, which God seeth not, 13 Which he confirmeth by the creation of man. 14 After declaring his zeal and fear of God, he protesteth to be enemy to all them that contemne God.

¶ To him that excelleth. A Psalme of David.

6 e The decay of God's religion in their country was so grievous, that no joy could make them glad, except it were restored.
 7 f According as Ezekiel 25.13 and Jeremiah 49.7 prophecied: and Abdias (Obadiah) verse 10 shows that the Edomites, which came of Esau, conspired with the Babylonians against their brethren and kinfolk.
 7 g When you did visit Jerusalem.
 9 h He alludes to Isaiah's prophecy chapter 13.16 promising good success to Cyrus and Darius, whom ambition moved to fight against Babylon: but God used them as his rods to punish his enemies.

Psalme 138

1 a Even in the presence of Angels and of them, that have authority among men.
 2 b Both the Temple and ceremonial service at Christ's coming were abolished: so that now God will be worshiped only in spirit and truth.
 3 c You have strengthened me against my outward and inward enemies.
 4 d All the world shall confess that you have wonderfully preserved me, and performed your promise.
 6 e Distance of place can not hinder God to show mercy to his, and to judge the wicked, though they think that he is far off.
 8 f Though my enemies rage never so much, yet the Lord, which has begun his work in me, will continue his grace to the end.

I Lord, thou hast tryed me and knowen *me*. 2 Thou knowest my ^asitting and my rising: thou understandest my thoughts a far off.
 3 Thou ^bcompassesst my paths, and my lying down, and art accustomed to all my ways.
 4 For there is not a word in my ^ctongue, *but* lo, thou knowest it wholly, ô Lord.
 5 Thou holdest me strait behind and before, and laiest thine ^dhand upon me.
 6 *Thy* knowledge is too wonderful for me: it is so high that I can not *attain* unto it.
 7 Whether shal I go from thy ^eSpirit? or whether shal I flee from thy presence?
 8 If I ascend into heaven, thou art there: if I lie down in hell, thou art there.
 9 Let me take the wings of the morning, & dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea:
 10 Yet thether shal thine ^fhand lead me, and thy right hand hold me.
 11 If I saie, Yet the darknes shal hide me, even the night *shal* be ^glight about me.
 12 Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee: but the night shineth as the daie: the darkness and light are both alike.
 13 For thou hast ^hpossessed my reines: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.
 14 I wil praise thee, for I am ⁱfearfully and wonderously made: marvelous *are* thy works, and my soul knoweth it wel.
 15 My bones are not hid from thee, though I was made in a secret *place*, *and* facioned ^kbeneth in the earth.
 16 Thine eyes did se me, when I was without form: ^lfor in thy boke were all things written, *which* in continuance were facioned, when there was none of them *before*.
 17 How ^mdear therefore are thy thoughts unto me, ô God! how great is the sum of them!
 18 If I should count them, they are mo then the sand: when I wake, ⁿI am stil with thee.
 19 Oh that thou woldest slay, ô God, the wicked and bloodie men, *to whom I saie*, Depart ye from me:
 20 Which speak wickedly of thee, *and* being thine enemies are lifted up in vain.
 21 Do not I ^ohate them, ô Lord, that hate thee? and do not I earnestly contend with those that rise up against thee?
 22 I hate them with an unfained hatred, as they were mine *utter*

Psalme 139.

2 a He confesses that neither our actions, thoughts or any part of our life can be hid to God, though he seem to be far off.
 3 b So that they are evidently known to you.
 4 c You know my meaning before I speak.
 5 d You so guide me with your hand, that I can turn no way, but where you appoint me.
 7 e From your power and knowledge?
 10 f Your power does so fast hold me, that I can escape by no means from you.
 11 g Though darkness be a hinderance to man's sight, yet it serves your eyes as well as the light.
 13 h You have made me in all parts and therefore must needs know me.
 14 i Considering your wonderful work in forming me, I can not but praise you and fear your mighty power.
 15 k That is, in my mother's womb: which he compares to the inward parts of the earth.
 16 l Seeing that you did know me before I was composed of either flesh or bone, much more now must you know me when you have fashioned me.
 17 m How ought we to esteem the excellent declaration of your wisdom in the creation of man?
 18 n I continually see new occasions to meditate in your wisdom and to praise you.
 21 o He teaches us boldly to contemne all the hatred of the wicked and friendship of the world, when they would let us to serve God sincerely.

enemies.

23 Trye me, ô God, and knowe mine heart: prove me and knowe my thoughts,

24 And consider if there be anie ^pwaie of wickedness in me, and lead me in the ^qwaie for ever.

PSAL. 140.

1 David complaineth of the crueltie, falsehood and injuries of his enemies 8 Against the which he praieth unto the Lord and assureth him self of his help and succor. 12 Wherefore he provoketh the just to praise the Lord, and to assure them selves of his tuition.

¶ To him that excelleth. A psalme of David.

Deliver me, ô Lord, from the evil man: preserve me from the ^acruel man: 2 Which imagine evil things in *their* ^bheart, and make war continually.

3 Thei have sharpened their tongues like a serpent: ^cadder's poyson *is* under their lippes. Sélah.

4 Kepe ^dme, ô Lord, from the hands of the wicked: preserve me from the cruel man, which purposeth to cause my steps to slide.

5 The proud have laid a snare for me and spred a net with cords in my pathway, and set grennes for me. Sélah.

6 Therefore I said unto the Lord, Thou art my God: hear, ô Lord, the voice of my praier.

7 O Lord God the strength of my salvation, thou ^ehast covered mine head in the daie of battel.

8 Let not the wicked have his desire, ô Lord: ^fperform not his wicked thought, lest thei be proud. Sélah.

9 As for ^gthe chief of them, that compass me about, let the mischief of their own lippes come upon them.

10 Let coles fall upon them: let ^hhim cast them into the fire, and into the deep pittes, that thei rise not.

11 For the backbiters shal not be established upon the earth: evil shal ⁱhunt the cruel man to destruction.

12 I know that the Lord wil avenge the afflicted, & judge the poor.

13 Surely the righteous shal praise thy Name, and the just shal ^kdwel in thy presence.

PSAL. 141.

1 David being grievously persecuted Under Saul, only fleeth unto God to have succor, 3 Desiring him to bridle his affections, that he maie patiently abide til God take vengeance of his enemies.

24 p Or any heinous way or rebellious: meaning, that though he were subject to sin: yet was he not given to wickedness and to provoke God by rebellion.

24 q That is, continue your favor towards me to the end.

Psalme 140

1 a Which persecutes me of malice and without cause.

2 b That is, by their false cavillations and lies they kindle the hatred of the wicked against me.

3 c He shows what weapons the wicked use, when power and force fail them.

4 d He declares what is the remedy of the godly, when they are oppressed by the worldelings.

7 e He calls to God with lively faith, being assured of his mercies, because he had before time proven, that God helped him ever in his dangers.

8 f For it is in God's hand to overthrow the counsels and enterprises of the wicked.

9 g It seems that he alludes to Saul.

10 h To wit, God: for David saw that they were reprobate and that there was no hope of repentance in them.

11 i God's plagues shall light upon him in such sort, that he shall not escape.

13 k That is, shall be defended & preserved by your Fatherly providence and care.

¶ A Psalme of David.

D Lord, I ^acall upon thee: haste thee unto me: hear my voice, when I crye unto thee. 2 Let my praier be directed in thy sight as incense, and the ^blifting up of mine hands as an evening sacrifice.

3 Set a watche, ô Lord, before my mouth, and keep the ^cdoor of my lips.

4 Incline not mine heart to evil, that I should commit wicked works with men that work iniquity: and let me not eat of their ^ddelicates.

5 Let the righteous smite me: for that *is* a benefit: and let ^ehim reprove me, and it shall be a precious oil, that shal not break mine head: for within a while I shal even ^fpraise in their miseries.

6 When their judges shalbe cast down in stonie places, they shal ^ghear my words, for they are swete.

7 Our bones lie scattered at the ^hgrave's mouth, as he that heweth wood or diggeth in the earth.

8 But mine eyes *loke* unto thee, ô Lord God: in thee is my trust: leave not my soul destitute.

9 Kepe me from the snare, which thei have laied for me, and from the grennes of the workers of iniquity.

10 Let the wicked fall into ⁱhis nettes ^ktogether, whiles I escape.

PSAL. 142.

1 The Prophet neither astonied with fear, nor carried awaie with anger, nor forced by desperation, wolde kil Saúl, but with a quite minde directed his earnest praier to God, who did preserve him.

¶ A Psalme of David, to give instruction, and a prayer, when he was in the cave.

I Cryed unto the Lord with my voice: with my voice I ^apraied unto the Lord. 2 I powred out my meditacion before him, and declared mine affliction in his presence.

3 Though my spirit ^bwas in perplexity in me, yet thou knewest my path: in the waie, wherein I walked, have thei prively laied a snare for me.

4 I loked upon my right hand, and beheld, but there was none that would know me: all refuge failed me, and none ^ccared for my soul.

5 Then cryed I unto thee, ô Lord, and said, Thou art mine ^bhope,

1 a He shows that there is none other refuge in our necessities, but only to flee unto God for comfort of soul.

2 b He means his earnest zeal and jesture, which he used in prayer: alluding to the sacrifices, which were by God's commandment offered in the old Law.

3 c He desires God to keep his thoughts and ways either from thinking or executing vengeance.

4 d Let not their prosperity allure me to be wicked as they are.

5 e He could abide all corrections, that came of a loving heart.

5 f By patience I shall see the wicked so sharply handled, that I shall for pity pray for them.

6 g The people, which followed their wicked rulers in persecuting the Prophet, shall repent and turn to God, when they see their wicked rulers punished.

7 h Here appears that David was miraculously delivered out of many deaths, as 2 Cor. 1.9.

10 i Into God's nets, whereby he catches the wicked in their own malice.

10 k So that none of them escape.

Psalme 142

1 a David's patience and instant prayer to God condemns their wicked rage, which in their troubles either despair and murmur against God, or else seek to others, then to God, to have redress in their miseries.

3 ^aEbr., Was folded or wrapped in me: meaning, as a thing that could have none issue.

4 ^aOr, sought for my soul.

5 b Though all means failed him, yet he knew that God would never forsake him.

and my porcion in the land of the living.

6 Hearken unto my crye, for I am broght verie low: deliver me from my persecuters, for thei are too strong for me.

7 Bring my soul out of ^cprison, that I may praise thy Name: *then* shal the righteous ^dcome about me, when thou art beneficial unto me.

PSAL. 143.

1 An earnest praier for remission of sinnes, acknowledging that the enemies did thus cruelly persecute him by God's just judgement. 8 He desireth to be restored to grace, 10 To be governed by his holie Spirit, that he maie spende the remnant of his life in the true fear and service of God.

¶ A Psalme of David.

Hear my praier, ô Lord, and hearken unto my supplication: **A**nswer me in thy ^atrueth and in thy ^brighteousnes. 2 (And entre not into judgement with thy servant: for in thy ^csight shal none that liveth, be justified)

3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul: he hath smiten my life down to the earth: he hath laied me in the darkenes, as they that have bene dead ^along ago:

4 And my spirit was in perplexity in me, and mine ^eheart within me was amased.

5 Yef do I remember the time ^fpast: I meditate in all thy works, yea, I do meditate in the works of thine hands.

6 I stretche forth mine hands unto thee: my soul desireth after thee, as the thirstie land. Sélah.

7 Hear my spedely, ô Lord, for my spirit fealeth: hide not thy face from me, els I shalbe like unto them that go down into the pit.

8 Let me hear thy loving kindenes in the ^gmorning, for in thee is my trust: ^hshewe me the waie, that I shulde walk in, for I lift up my soul unto thee.

9 Deliver me, ô Lord, from mine enemies: for ⁱhid me with thee.

10 Teach me to ^kdo thy wil, for thou art my God: let thy good Spirit lead me unto the land of ^lrighteousnes.

11 Quicken me, ô Lord, for thy Name's sake, and for thy righteousness bring my soul out of trouble.

12 And for thy mercie ^mslay mine enemies, and destroie all them that oppress my soul: for I am thy ⁿservant.

7 c For he was on all sides beset with his enemies, as though he had been in a most straight prison.

7 d Either to reioice at my wonderful deliverance, or to set a crown upon my head.

Psalm 143

1 a That is, as you have promised to be faithful in your promise to all that trust in you.

1 b That is, according to your free goodness, whereby you defend yours.

2 c He knew that his afflictions were God's messengers to call him to repentance for his sins, though toward his enemies he was innocent, and that in God's sight all men are sinners.

3 d He acknowledges that God is the only and true physician to heal him: and that he is able to raise him to life, though he were dead long ago, and turned to ashes.

4 e So that only by faith, and by the grace of God's Spirit he was upheld.

5 f To wit, your great benefits of old, and the manifold examples of your favor toward yours.

8 g That is, speedily and in due season.

8 h Let your holy Spirit counsel me how to come forth of these great cares and troubles.

9 i I hide myself under the shadow of your wings, that I might be delivered by your power.

10 k He confesses that both the knowledge and obedience of God's will comes by the Spirit of God, who teaches us by his word, gives understanding by his Spirit, and frames our hearts by his grace to obey him.

10 l That is, justly and aright for so soon as we decline from God's will, we fall into error.

12 m Which shall be a sign of your Fatherly kindness toward me.

12 n Resigning myself wholly unto you, and trusting in your protection.

PSAL. 144.

1 He praiseth the Lord with great affection and humilitie for his kingdom restored, and for his victories obtained, 5 Demanding helpe and the destruction of the wicked, 9 Promising to acknowledge the same with songs of praises, 15 And declareth wherein the felicitie of anie people consisteth.

¶ A Psalme of David.

Blessed be the Lord my strength, which ^ateacheth mine hands to fight, & my fingers to battel. 2 *He is* my goodness and my fortres, my tower and [^]my deliverer, my shield, and in him I trust, which subdueth my ^bpeople under me.

3 Lord, what is man that thou ^cregardest him! or the sonne of man that thou thinkest upon him!

4 Man is like to vanitie: his daies *are* like a shadowe, that vanisheth.

5 ^dBowe thine heavens, ô Lord, and come down: touch the mountains and thei shal smoke.

6 ^eCast forthe lightening & scatter them: shote out thine arrows, and consume them.

7 Send thine hand from above: deliver me, and take me out of the great ^fwaters, and from the hand of strangers,

8 Whose mouth talketh vanitie, and their right hand *is* a right hand ^of falsehood.

9 I wil sing a ^hnew song unto thee, ô God, and sing unto thee upon a viole, and an instrument of ten strings.

10 *It is he* that giveth deliverance unto Kings, and rescueth David his ^lservant from the hurtful sword.

11 Rescue me, and deliver me from the hand of strangers, whose mouth talketh vanitie, and their right hand *is* a right hand of falsehood:

12 That our ^ksonnes *may be* as the plantes growing up in their youth, and our daughters as the corner stones, graven after the similitude of a palace:

13 That our ^lcorners *may be* ful, and abunding with divers sortes, and that our shepe may bring forthe thousands and ten thousand in our streets:

14 That our ^moxen may be strong to labour: that there be none

1 a Who of a poor shepherd had made me a valiant warrior and mighty conqueror.

2 [^]Ebr., my deliverer unto me: for the Prophet can not satisfy himself with any words.

2 b He confesses that neither by his own authority, power nor policy his kingdom was quiet, but by the secret grace of God.

3 c To give unto God just praise is to confess ourselves to be unworthy of so excellent benefits, and that he bestows them upon us of his free mercy.

5 d He desires God to continue his graces and to send help for the present necessity.

6 e By these manner of speechs he shows that all the lets in the world can not hinder God's power, which he apprehended by faith.

7 f That is, deliver me from the tumults of them that should be my people, but are corrupt in their judgement and enterprises, as though they were strangers.

8 g For though they shake hands, yet they keep not promise.

9 h That is, a rare and excellent song, as your great benefits deserve.

10 i Though wicked Kings be called God's servants, as Cyrus, Is. 45.1, forasmuch as he uses them to execute his judgements yet David because of God's promise, and they, that rule godly, are properly so called, because they serve not their own affections, but set forth God's glory.

12 k He desires God to continue his benefits toward his people, counting the procreation of children and their good education among the chiefest of God's benefits.

13 l That the very corners of our houses may be full of store for the great abundance of your blessings.

14 m He attributes not only the great commodities, but even the least also to God's favor.

invasion, nor going out, nor no crying in our stretes.

15 Blessed are the people, that be ⁿso, yea, blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord.

PSAL. 145.

This Psalme was composed, when the kingdom of David flourished 1 Wherein he describeth the wonderful providence of God, aswel in governing man, as in preserving all the rest of his creatures. 17 He praiseth God for his justice and mercie, 18 But specially for his loving kindness toward those that call upon him, that fear him, and love him: 21 For the which he promiseth to praise him for ever.

¶ A Psalme of David of praise.

 My God and King, ^aI wil extoll thee, and wil blesse thy Name for ever & ever. 2 I wil blesse thee daily, and praise thy Name for ever and ever.

3 ^bGreat is the Lord, and most worthie to be praised, and his greatness is incomprehensible.

4 Generation shal praise thy works unto ^cgeneration, & declare thy power.

5 I wil meditate of the beautie of thy glorious majestie, and thy wonderful works,

6 And they shal speake of the power of thy ^dfearful Actes, and I wil declare thy greatnes.

7 They shal breake out into the mencion of thy great goodness, and shal sing aloude of thy righteousness.

8 *The Lord is gracious and ^emerciful, slowe to anger, and of great mercie.

9 The Lord is good to all, and his mercies are over all his works.

10 All thy works praise thee, ô Lord, and thy Saints blesse thee.

11 ^fThey shewe the glorie of thy kingdome & speak of thy power, 12 To cause his ^gpower to be known to the sonnes of men, and the glorious renome of his kingdom.

13 Thy *kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.

14 The Lord upholdeth all ^hthat fall, and lifteth up all that are readie to fall.

15 The eyes of ⁱall waite upon thee, and thou givest them their meat in due season.

16 Thou openest thine hand, and fillest all things living of thy good pleasure.

15 n And if God give not to all his children all these blessings, yet he recompenses them with better things.

Psalme 145

1 a He shows what sacrifices are pleasant and acceptable to God, even praise and thanksgiving, and seeing that God still continues his benefits towards us, we ought never to be weary in praising him for the same.

3 b Hereby he declares that all power is subject unto God, and that no worldly promotion ought to obscure God's glory.

4 c Forasmuch as the end of man's creation, & of his preservation in this life is to praise God, therefore he requires, that not only we ourselves do this, but cause all other to do the same.

6 d Of your terrible judgements against the wicked.

8 *Ex. 34.6.

8 e He describes after what sort God shows himself to all his creatures, though our sins have provoked his vengeance against all: to wit, merciful not only in pardoning the sins of his elect, but in doing good even to the reprobate albeit they can not feel the sweet comfort of the same.

11 f The praise of your glorie appears in all your creatures: and though the wicked would obscure the same by their silence, yet the faithful are ever mindful of the same.

12 g He shows that all things are out of order, but only (except) where God reigns.

13 *Luk. 1.33, Dan. 7.14.

14 h Who being in misery and affliction would faint and fall away, if God did not uphold them, and therefore they ought to reverence him, that reigns in heaven, and suffer themselves to be governed by him.

15 i To wit, as well of man, as of beast.

17 The Lord is ^krighteous in all his waies, and holie in all his workes.

18 The Lord is near unto all that call upon him: yea, to all that call upon him in ^ltrueth.

19 He wil fulfil the ^mdesire of them that feare him: he also wil heare their crye, and wil save them.

20 The Lord preserveth all them that love him: but he wil destroy all the wicked.

21 My mouth shal speake the praise of the Lord, and all ⁿflesh shal blesse his holie Name for ever and ever.

PSAL. 146.

1 David declareth his great zeal that he hathe to praise God, 3 And teacheth, not to trust in man, but only in God almightie, 7 Which delivereth the afflicted, 9 Defendeth the strangers, comforteth the fatherless, and the widows, 10 And reigneth for ever.

¶ Praise ye the Lord.

 Raise thou the Lord, ô my ^asoul. 2 I wil praise the Lord during my life: as long as I have anie being, I wil sing unto my God.

3 Put not your trust in ^bprinces, nor in the sonne of man, for there is none helpe in him.

4 His breath departeth, and he returneth to his earth: then his ^cthoughts perish.

5 Blessed is he, that hath the God of Jaakób for his helpe, whose hope is in the Lord his God.

6 Which made ^dheaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which kepeth his fidelitie for ever:

7 Which executeth justice ^efor the oppressed: which giveth bread to the hungrie: the Lord looseth the prisoners.

8 The Lord giveth sight to the blinde: the Lord raiseth up the coked: the Lord ^floveth the righteous.

9 The Lord kepeth the ^gstrangers: he relieveth the fatherless and widowe: but he overthroweth the way of the wicked.

10 The Lord shal ^hreign for ever: ô Zíon, thy God endureth from generacion to generacion. Praise ye the Lord.

PSAL. 147.

1 The Prophet praiseth the bountie, wisdom, power, justice and providence of God upon all his creatures, 2 But specially upon his Church, which he gathereth together after their dispersion,

17 k He praises God, not only for that he is beneficial to all his creatures, but also in that that he justly punishes the wicked, and mercifully examines his by the cross, giving them strength and delivering them.

18 l Which only appertains to the faithful: and this virtue is contrary to infidelity, douting, impaciency and murmuring.

19 m For they will ask or wish for nothing, but according to his will. 1 John 5.14.

21 n That is, all men shall be bound to praise him.

Psalme 146

1 a He stirs up himself, and all his affections to praise God.

3 b That God may have the whole praise wherein he forbids all vain confidence, showing that of nature we are more inclined to put our trust in creatures, then in God the Creator.

4 c As their vain opinions, whereby they flattered themselves, and so imagined wicked enterprises.

6 d He encourages the godly to trust only in the Lord, both for that his power is able to deliver them from all danger, and for his promise sake his will is most ready to do it.

7 e Whose faith & patience for a while he tries, but at length he punishes the adversaries, that he may be known to be judge of the world.

8 f Though he visit them by affliction, hunger, imprisonment and such like, yet his Fatherly love and pity never fails them, yea, rather to his these are signs of his love.

9 g Meaning all them, that are destitute of worldly means and succor.

10 f He assures the Church that God reigns for ever for the preservation of the same.

19 Declaring his worde and judgements so unto them, as he hathe done to none other people.

Praise ye the Lord, for it is good to sing unto our God: for it is ^aa pleasant thing, and praise is comelie. 2 The Lord doeth buyld up ^bJerusalém, & gather together the dispersed of Israél. 3 He healeth those that are ^cbroken in heart, and bindeth up their sores. 4 He ^dcounteth the number of the starres, and calleth them all by their names. 5 Great *is* our Lord, and great *is* his power: his wisdom is infinite. 6 The Lord releveth the meke, and abaseth the wicked to the ^eground. 7 Sing unto the Lord with praise: sing upon the harpe unto our God, 8 Which ^fcovereth the heaven with cloudes & prepareth raine for the earth, and maketh the grasse to growe upon the mountains: 9 Which giveth to beastes their fode, and to the yong ravens that ^gcrye. 10 He hathe not pleasure in the ^hstrength of an horse, nether deliteth he in the legges of man. 11 *But* the Lord deliteth in them that feare him, and attend upon his mercie. 12 Praise the Lord, ô Jerusalém: praise thy God, ô Zión. 13 For he hathe made the barres of thy gates ⁱstrong, and hathe blessed thy children within thee. 14 He setteth peace in thy borders, and satisfieth thee with the ^jflour of wheat. 15 He sendeth forthe his ^kcommandment upon earth, and his worde runneth verie ^lswiftly. 16 He giveth snow like wool, and scattereth the hoare frost like asshes. 17 He casteth forthe his yce like morsels: who can abide the colde thereof? 18 He sendeth his worde and melteth them: he causeth his winde to blowe, and the waters flowe. 19 He sheweth his ^mworde unto Jaakób, his statutes and his judgements unto Israél. 20 He hathe not dealt so with everie nacion, nether have they

Psalm 147

1 a He shows wherein we ought to exercise ourselves continually, and to take our pastime: to wit, in praising God.
2 b Because the Lord is the founder of the Church, it can not be destroyed, though the members thereof be dispersed, and seem, as it were, for a time to be cut off.
3 c With affliction or sorrow for sin.
4 d Though it seem to man incredible, that God should assemble his Church, being so dispersed, yet nothing can be too hard to him, that can number and name all the stars.
6 e For the more high that the wicked climb, the greater is their fall in the end.
8 f He shows by the examples of God's mighty power, goodness and wisdom, that we can never want most just occasion to praise God.
9 g For their cry is as it were a confession of their need, which can not be relieved but by God only: then if God show himself mindful of the most contemptible fowls, can he suffer them to die with famine, whom he has assured of life everlasting?
10 h Though to use lawful means is both profitable and pleases God, yet to put our trust in them, is to defraud God of his honor.
13 i He does not only furnish his Church with all things necessary, but preserves also the same, and makes it strong against all outward force.
14 ^jEbr., fat.
15 k His secret working in all creatures is as a commandment to keep them in order, and to give them move and force.
15 l For immediately and without resisting all things obey him.
19 m As before he called God's secret working in all his creatures his word: so he means here, by his word, the doctrine of life everlasting, which he has left to his Church as a most precious treasure.

ⁿknown his judgements. Praise ye the Lord.

PSAL. 148.

1 He provoketh all creatures to praise the Lord in heaven and earth and all places, 14 Specially his Church for the power that he hathe given to the same after that he had chosen them and joined them unto him.

¶ Praise ye the Lord.

Praise ye the Lord from the heaven: praise ye him in the high places. 2 Praise ye him, all ye ^ahis Angels: praise him, all his armie. 3 Praise ye him, ^bsunne and moone: praise ye him all bright starres. 4 Praise ye him, ^cheavens of heavens, and ^dwaters, that be above the heavens. 5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord: for he commanded, and they were created. 6 And he hathe established them for ever and ever: he hathe made an ordinance, which shal not passe. 7 Praise ye the Lord from the earth, ye ^edragons and all depths: 8 ^fFyre and haile, snowe and vapors, stormie winde, which execute his worde: 9 Mountains and all hilles, fruteful trees and all cedres: 10 Beastes and all cattel, creeping things and feathered foules: 11 ^gKings of the earth and all people, princes and all judges of the worlde: 12 Yong men and maidens, also olde men and children: 13 Let them praise the Name of the Lord: for his Name only is to be exalted, and his praise above the earth and the heavens. 14 For he hathe exalted the ^hhorne of his people, which is a praise for all his Saints, even for the ⁱchildren of Israél, a people that is nere unto him. Praise ye the Lord.

PSAL. 149.

1 An exhortation to the Church to praise the Lord for his victorie and conquest that he giveth his Saints against all man's power.

Praise ye the Lord.

Sing ye unto the Lord ^aa new song: let his praise *be heard* in the Congregation of Saints. 2 Let Israél rejoyce in him that

20 n The cause of this difference is God's free mercy, which has elected him in his Son Christ Jesus to salvation: and his just judgement, whereby he has appointed the reprobate to eternal damnation.

Psalm 148

2 a Because they are members of the same body, he sets them before our eyes, which are most willing hereunto, & by their prompt obedience teach us to do our duty.
3 b In that God's glory shines in these insensible creatures, this their beauty is as a continual praising of God.
4 c Not that there are diverse heavens, but because of the spheres and of the situation of the fixed stars and planets, he comprehends by this word the whole heaven.
4 d That is, the rain, which is in the middle region of the air, which he here comprehends under the name of the heavens.
7 e Meaning, the great and monstrous fishes, as whales and such like.
8 f Which come not by chance or fortune, but by God's appointed ordinance.
11 g For the greater gifts that any has received, and the more high that one is preferred, the more bound is he to praise God for the same, but neither high nor low condition or degree can be exempted from this duty.
14 h That is, the dignity, power and glory of his Church.
14 i By reason of his covenant made with Abraham.

Psalm 149

1 a For his rare and manifold benefits bestowed on his Church.

^bmade him, and let the children of Zi^on rejoyce in their ^cKing.
 3 Let them praise his Name with the flute: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harpe.
 4 For the Lord hathe pleasure in his people: he wil make the meke glorious by deliverance.
 5 Let the Saints be joyful with glorie: let them sing loude upon their ^dbeddes.
 6 Let the high Actes of God be in their mouth, and a two edged sworde in their hands,
 7 ^eTo execute vengeance upon the heathen, *and* corrections among the people:
 8 To binde ^ttheir Kings in chaines, and their nobles with fetters of yron,
 9 That they maye execute upon them the judgement that is ⁹written: this honor shalbe to all his Saints. Praise ye the Lord.

2 b In that that they were preferred before all other nations, it was as a new creation, and therefore Ps. 95.6, they were called the work of God's hands.

2 c For God as he is the Creator of the soul and body so wills he that both two serve him, and that his people be continually subject unto him as to their most lawful King.

5 d He alludes to that continual rest, and quietness, which they should have, if they would suffer God to rule them.

7 e This is chiefly accomplished in the kingdom of Christ, when God's people for just causes execute God's judgements against his enemies: and it gives no liberty to any to revenge their private injuries.

8 f Not only the people but the Kings, that were their enemies, should be destroyed.

9 g Hereby God binds the hands and minds of all his to enterprise no farther then he appoints.

PSAL. 150.

1 An exhortacion to praise the Lord without cease by all manner of wayes for all his mightie, and wonderful workes.

¶ *Praise ye the Lord.*

Praise ye God in his ^aSanctuarie: praise ye him in the ^bfirmament of his power. 2 Praise ye him in his mightie Actes: praise ye him according to his excellent greatnes.

3 Praise ye him in the sounde of the ^ctrumpet: praise ye him upon the viole and the harpe.

4 Praise ye him with timbrel & flute: praise ye him with virginales and organs.

5 Praise ye him with sounding cymbals: praise ye him with high sounding cymbals.

6 Let everie thing that hathe ^dbreath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

1 a That is, in heaven.

1 b For his wonderful power appears in the firmament, which in Ebrewes is called a stretching out or spreading abroad, wherein the mighty work of God shines.

3 c Exhorting the people only to rejoyce in praising God, he makes mention of those instruments, which by God's commandment were appointed to the old Law, but under Christ the use thereof is abolished in the Church.

6 d He shows that all the order of nature is bound to this duty, and much more God's children, who ought never to cease to praise him, till they be gathered into that kingdom, which he has prepared for his, where they shall sing everlasting praise.