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The Psalter

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PREFACE

IN obedience to a continuous demand, these Selections from the Psalter have been prepared for use in the services of the churches. The text is that of the standard of the American Bible Society, except that words there printed in italics are here given in the roman type, and that the verses included in any selection are numbered consecutively, with a note to show their numbering in the original Psalm. It has seemed best, on the whole, that these Selections should be arranged for reading verse by verse, rather than by the structural divisions within the verse. It is by verses, and not by antiphons, that the Psalms have been learned; and the verse-divisions, while originally artificial, no doubt, now mark the natural and familiar breaks in the rhythm of the Psalm, not only in the English Bible, but in the memory and the heart. This arrangement has been decided upon with the further thought, also, that if in the future a like selection from the Psalter, pointed for chanting, shall be issued by the Board, this arrangement for reading may correspond with that; for the proper pointing of the Psalms for chanting requires the verse-divisions.

The Psalms are here given in the order in which they occur in the Scriptures. But, within the limits imposed by such an arrangement, the effort has been made to give a certain unity, or at least manifest progression, of thought to each selection. The Gloria Patri is printed after the Selections, and is arranged so that it may be either read or sung, in such churches as desire to use it at the close of the reading.

THE PSALTER

Selection 1

PSALM 1

1 BLESSED is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

4 The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

5 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

6 For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

PSALM 2

7 WHY do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?

8 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his Anointed, saying,

9 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

10 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.

11 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure.

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12 Yet have I set my King upon my holy hill of Zion.

13 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.

14 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

15 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

16 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.

17 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

18 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

PSALM 4

19 HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast enlarged me when I was in distress; have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.

20 O ye sons of men, how long will ye turn my glory into shame? how long will ye love vanity, and seek after leasing?

21 But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto him.

22 Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still.

23 Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD.

24 There be many that say, Who will show us any good? LORD, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us.

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25 Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased.

26 I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep : for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.

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PSALM 5 : 1-7

1 GIVE ear to my words, O LORD ; consider my meditation.

2 Harken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God : for unto thee will I pray.

3 My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD ; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.

4 For thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness : neither shall evil dwell with thee.

5 The foolish shall not stand in thy sight : thou hatest all workers of iniquity.

6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing : the LORD will abhor the bloody and deceitful man.

7 But as for me, I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy mercy : and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.

PSALM 8

8 O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth ! who hast set thy glory above the heavens.

9 Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

10 When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy

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fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained ;

11 What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

12 For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honor.

13 Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands ; thou hast put all things under his feet :

14 All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field ;

15 The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas.

16 O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth !

PSALM 11

17 IN the LORD put I my trust : how say ye to my soul, Flee as a bird to your mountain ?

18 For, lo, the wicked bend their bow, they make ready their arrow upon the string, that they may privily shoot at the upright in heart.

19 If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do ?

20 The LORD is in his holy temple, the LORD's throne is in heaven : his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.

21 The LORD trieth the righteous : but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth.

22 Upon the wicked he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, and a horrible tempest : this shall be the portion of their cup.

23 For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness ; his countenance doth behold the upright.

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PSALM 13

1 HOW long wilt thou forget me, O LORD? for ever? how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

2 How long shall I take counsel in my soul, having sorrow in my heart daily? how long shall mine enemy be exalted over me?

3 Consider and hear me, O LORD my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death;

4 Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him; and those that trouble me rejoice when I am moved.

5 But I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation.

6 I will sing unto the LORD, because he hath dealt bountifully with me.

PSALM 15

7 LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?

8 He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.

9 He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbor.

10 In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoreth them that fear the LORD. He that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not.

11 He that putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these things shall never be moved.

PSALM 16

12 PRESERVE me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust.

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13 O my soul, thou hast said unto the LORD, Thou art my Lord : my goodness extendeth not to thee ;

14 But to the saints that are in the earth, and to the excellent, in whom is all my delight.

15 Their sorrows shall be multiplied that hasten after another god : their drink offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their names into my lips.

16 The LORD is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup : thou maintainest my lot.

17 The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places ; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

18 I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel : my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.

19 I have set the LORD always before me : because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

20 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth : my flesh also shall rest in hope.

21 For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell ; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

22 Thou wilt show me the path of life : in thy presence is fulness of joy ; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

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PSALM 17 : 1-9, 15

1 HEAR the right, O LORD, attend unto my cry ; give ear unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips.

2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence ; let thine eyes behold the things that are equal.

3 Thou hast proved mine heart ; thou hast visited

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me in the night ; thou hast tried me, and shalt find nothing : I am purposed that my mouth shall not transgress.

4 Concerning the works of men, by the word of thy lips I have kept me from the paths of the destroyer.

5 Hold up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not.

6 I have called upon thee, for thou wilt hear me, O God : incline thine ear unto me, and hear my speech.

7 Show thy marvellous loving-kindness, O thou that savest by thy right hand them which put their trust in thee from those that rise up against them.

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 my deadly enemies, who compass me about.

10 As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness : I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness.

PSALM 18 : 1-19

11 I WILL love thee, O LORD, my strength.

12 The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer ; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust ; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.

13 I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised : so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

14 The sorrows of death compassed me, and the floods of ungodly men made me afraid.

15 The sorrows of hell compassed me about : the snares of death prevented me.

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16 In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried unto my God: he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, even into his ears.

17 Then the earth shook and trembled; the foundations also of the hills moved and were shaken, because he was wroth.

18 There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.

19 He bowed the heavens also, and came down: and darkness was under his feet.

20 And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: yea, he did fly upon the wings of the wind.

21 He made darkness his secret place; his pavilion round about him were dark waters and thick clouds of the skies.

22 At the brightness that was before him his thick clouds passed, hail stones and coals of fire.

23 The LORD also thundered in the heavens, and the Highest gave his voice; hail stones and coals of fire.

24 Yea, he sent out his arrows, and scattered them; and he shot out lightnings, and discomfited them.

25 Then the channels of waters were seen, and the foundations of the world were discovered at thy rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of thy nostrils.

26 He sent from above, he took me, he drew me out of many waters.

27 He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them which hated me: for they were too strong for me.

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28 They prevented me in the day of my calamity :
but the LORD was my stay.

29 He brought me forth also into a large place ;
he delivered me, because he delighted in me.

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PSALM 18 : 25-35

1 WITH the merciful thou wilt show thyself
merciful ; with an upright man thou wilt show thy-
self upright ;

2 With the pure thou wilt show thyself pure ; and
with the froward thou wilt show thyself froward.

3 For thou wilt save the afflicted people ; but wilt
bring down high looks.

4 For thou wilt light my candle : the LORD my
God will enlighten my darkness.

5 For by thee I have run through a troop ; and
by my God have I leaped over a wall.

6 As for God, his way is perfect : the word of the
LORD is tried : he is a buckler to all those that trust
in him.

7 For who is God save the LORD ? or who is a
rock save our God ?

8 It is God that girdeth me with strength, and
maketh my way perfect.

9 He maketh my feet like hinds' feet, and setteth
me upon my high places.

10 He teacheth my hands to war, so that a bow
of steel is broken by mine arms.

11 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy
salvation : and thy right hand hath holden me up,
and thy gentleness hath made me great.

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PSALM 19

12 The heavens declare the glory of God ; and the firmament showeth his handywork.

13 Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night showeth knowledge.

14 There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.

15 Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

16 Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.

17 His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it : and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

18 The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul : the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

19 The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart : the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.

20 The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever : the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

21 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold : sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

22 Moreover by them is thy servant warned : and in keeping of them there is great reward.

23 Who can understand his errors ? cleanse thou me from secret faults.

24 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins ; let them not have dominion over me : then

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shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

25 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

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PSALM 20

1 THE LORD hear thee in the day of trouble ; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee ;

2 Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion ;

3 Remember all thy offerings, and accept thy burnt sacrifice ;

4 Grant thee according to thine own heart, and fulfil all thy counsel.

5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners : the LORD fulfil all thy petitions.

6 Now know I that the LORD saveth his anointed ; he will hear him from his holy heaven with the saving strength of his right hand.

7 Some trust in chariots, and some in horses : but we will remember the name of the LORD our God.

8 They are brought down and fallen : but we are risen, and stand upright.

9 Save, LORD : let the king hear us when we call.

PSALM 23

10 THE LORD is my shepherd ; I shall not want.

11 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures : he leadeth me beside the still waters.

12 He restoreth my soul : he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

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13 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me ; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

14 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies : thou anointest my head with oil ; my cup runneth over.

15 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life : and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

PSALM 24

16 THE earth is the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof ; the world, and they that dwell therein.

17 For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.

18 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD ? or who shall stand in his holy place ?

19 He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart ; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

20 He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

21 This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob.

22 Lift up your heads, O ye gates ; and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors ; and the King of glory shall come in.

23 Who is this King of glory ? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

24 Lift up your heads, O ye gates ; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors ; and the King of glory shall come in.

25 Who is this King of glory ? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory.

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PSALM 25

1 UNTO thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul.

2 O my God, I trust in thee; let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me.

3 Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress without cause.

4 Show me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths.

5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.

6 Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies and thy loving-kindnesses; for they have been ever of old.

7 Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD.

8 Good and upright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

9 The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach 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 name's sake, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity; for it is great.

12 What man is he that feareth the LORD? him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.

13 His soul shall dwell at ease; and his seed shall inherit the earth.

14 The secret of the LORD is with them that fear him; and he will show them his covenant.

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15 Mine eyes are ever toward the LORD ; for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.

16 Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me ; for I am desolate and afflicted.

17 The troubles of my heart are enlarged : O bring thou me out of my distresses.

18 Look upon mine affliction and my pain ; and forgive all my sins.

19 Consider mine enemies ; for they are many ; and they hate me with cruel hatred.

20 O keep my soul, and deliver me : let me not be ashamed ; for I put my trust in thee.

21 Let integrity and uprightness preserve me ; for I wait on thee.

22 Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.

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PSALM 26 : 8-12

1 LORD, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honor dwelleth.

2 Gather not my soul with sinners, nor my life with bloody men :

3 In whose hands is mischief, and their right hand is full of bribes.

4 But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity : redeem me, and be merciful unto me.

5 My foot standeth in an even place : in the congregations will I bless the LORD.

PSALM 27

6 THE LORD is my light and my salvation ; whom shall I fear ? the LORD is the strength of my life ; of whom shall I be afraid ?

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7 When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.

8 Though a host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear : though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

9 One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after ; 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 inquire in his temple.

10 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion : in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me ; he shall set me up upon a rock.

11 And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me : therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy ; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the LORD.

12 Hear, O LORD, when I cry with my voice : have mercy also upon me, and answer me.

13 When thou saidst, Seek ye my face ; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seek.

14 Hide not thy face far from me ; put not thy servant away in anger : thou hast been my help ; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

15 When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take me up.

16 Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies.

17 Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies : for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.

18 I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

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19 Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

PSALM 28: 6-9

20 BLESSED be the LORD, because he hath heard the voice of my supplications.

21 The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him.

22 The LORD is their strength, and he is the saving strength of his anointed.

23 Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance: feed them also, and lift them up for ever.

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PSALM 29

1 GIVE unto the LORD, O ye mighty, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

2 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth: the LORD is upon many waters.

4 The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

5 The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedars; yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young unicorn.

7 The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire.

8 The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.

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9 The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to calve, and discovereth the forests : and in his temple doth every one speak of his glory.

10 The LORD sitteth upon the flood ; yea, the LORD sitteth King for ever.

11 The LORD will give strength unto his people ; the LORD will bless his people with peace.

PSALM 30

12 I WILL extol thee, O LORD ; for thou hast lifted me up, and hast not made my foes to rejoice over me.

13 O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.

14 O LORD, thou hast brought up my soul from the grave : thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

15 Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.

16 For his anger endureth but a moment ; in his favor is life : weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

17 And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved.

18 LORD, by thy favor thou hast made my mountain to stand strong : thou didst hide thy face, and I was troubled.

19 I cried to thee, O LORD ; and unto the LORD I made supplication.

20 What profit is there in my blood, when I go down to the pit ? Shall the dust praise thee ? shall it declare thy truth ?

21 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me : LORD, be thou my helper.

22 Thou hast turned for me my mourning into

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dancing : thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness ;

23 To the end that my glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

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PSALM 31 : 1-5, 15-16, 19-24

1 IN thee, O LORD, do I put my trust ; let me never be ashamed : deliver me in thy righteousness.

2 Bow down thine ear to me ; deliver me speedily : be thou my strong rock, for a house of defence to save me.

3 For thou art my rock and my fortress ; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me.

4 Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me : for thou art my strength.

5 Into thine hand I commit my spirit : thou hast redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.

6 My times are in thy hand : deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.

7 Make thy face to shine upon thy servant : save me for thy mercies' sake.

8 Oh how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee ; which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men !

9 Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man : thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.

10 Blessed be the LORD : for he hath showed me his marvellous kindness in a strong city.

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11 For I said in my haste, I am cut off from before thine eyes : nevertheless thou heardest the voice of my supplications when I cried unto thee.

12 O love the LORD, all ye his saints : for the LORD preserveth the faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.

13 Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD.

PSALM 32

14 BLESSED is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

15 Blessed is the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile.

16 When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.

17 For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me : my moisture is turned into the drought of summer.

18 I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD ; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

19 For this shall every one that is godly pray unto thee in a time when thou mayest be found : surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him.

20 Thou art my hiding place ; thou shalt preserve me from trouble ; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.

21 I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go : I will guide thee with mine eye.

22 Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which

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have no understanding : whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.

23 Many sorrows shall be to the wicked : but he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compass him about.

24 Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous : and shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart.

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PSALM 33

1 REJOICE in the LORD, O ye righteous : for praise is comely for the upright.

2 Praise the LORD with harp : sing unto him with the psaltery and an instrument of ten strings.

3 Sing unto him a new song ; play skilfully with a loud noise.

4 For the word of the LORD is right ; and all his works are done in truth.

5 He loveth righteousness and judgment : the earth is full of the 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 gathereth the waters of the sea together as a heap : he layeth up the depth in storehouses.

8 Let all the earth fear the LORD : let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

9 For he spake, and it was done ; he commanded, and it stood fast.

10 The LORD bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought : he maketh the devices of the people of none effect.

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11 The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.

12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD ; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

13 The LORD looketh from heaven ; he beholdeth all the sons of men.

14 From the place of his habitation he looketh upon all the inhabitants of the earth.

15 He fashioneth their hearts alike ; he considereth all their works.

16 There is no king saved by the multitude of a host : a mighty man is not delivered by much strength.

17 A horse is a vain thing for safety : neither shall he deliver any by his great strength.

18 Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy ;

19 To deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine.

20 Our soul waiteth for the LORD : he is our help and our shield.

21 For our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name.

22 Let thy mercy, O LORD, be upon us, according as we hope in thee.

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PSALM 34

1 I WILL bless the LORD at all times : his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

2 My soul shall make her boast in the LORD : the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

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3 O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

4 I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.

5 They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

6 This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.

7 The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

8 O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

9 O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him.

10 The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing.

11 Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

12 What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good?

13 Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.

14 Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

15 The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry.

16 The face of the LORD is against them that do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

18 The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

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19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous : but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

20 He keepeth all his bones : not one of them is broken.

21 Evil shall slay the wicked : and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

22 The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants : and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.

PSALM 36 : 5-10

23 Thy mercy, O LORD, is in the heavens ; and thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds.

24 Thy righteousness is like the great mountains ; thy judgments are a great deep : O LORD, thou preservest man and beast.

25 How excellent is thy loving-kindness, O God ! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

26 They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house ; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures.

27 For with thee is the fountain of life : in thy light shall we see light.

28 O continue thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee ; and thy righteousness to the upright in heart.

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PSALM 37 : 1-9, 23-40

1 FRET not thyself because of evil doers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.

2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.

3 Trust in the LORD, and do good ; so shalt

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thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

4 Delight thyself also in the LORD ; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

5 Commit thy way unto the LORD ; trust also in him ; and he shall bring it to pass.

6 And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.

7 Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him : fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.

8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath : fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.

9 For evil doers shall be cut off : but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.

10 The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD : and he delighteth in his way.

11 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down : for the LORD upholdeth him with his hand.

12 I have been young, and now am old ; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

13 He is ever merciful, and lendeth ; and his seed is blessed.

14 Depart from evil, and do good ; and dwell for evermore.

15 For the LORD loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints ; they are preserved for ever : but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

16 The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever.

17 The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue talketh of judgment.

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18 The law of his God is in his heart ; none of his steps shall slide.

19 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him.

20 The LORD will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged.

21 Wait on the LORD, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land : when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it.

22 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree.

23 Yet he passed away, and, lo, he was not : yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.

24 Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright : for the end of that man is peace.

25 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together : the end of the wicked shall be cut off.

26 But the salvation of the righteous is of the LORD : he is their strength in the time of trouble.

27 And the LORD shall help them, and deliver them : he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him.

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PSALM 39

1 I SAID, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue : I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me.

2 I was dumb with silence, I held my peace, even from good ; and my sorrow was stirred.

3 My heart was hot within me ; while I was musing the fire burned : then spake I with my tongue,

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4 LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is ; that I may know how frail I am.

5 Behold, thou hast made my days as a handbreadth ; and mine age is as nothing before thee : verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity.

6 Surely every man walketh in a vain show : surely they are disquieted in vain : he heapeth up riches, and knoweth not who shall gather them.

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

8 Deliver me from all my transgressions : make me not the reproach of the foolish.

9 I was dumb, I opened not my mouth ; because thou didst it.

10 Remove thy stroke away from me : I am consumed by the blow of thine hand.

11 When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth : surely every man is vanity.

12 Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear unto my cry ; hold not thy peace at my tears : for I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

13 O spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence, and be no more.

PSALM 40 : 1-13, 16-17

14 I WAITED patiently for the LORD ; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

15 He brought me up also out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.

16 And he hath put a new song in my mouth,

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even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.

17 Blessed is that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.

18 Many, O LORD my God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward:

19 They cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered.

20 Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire; mine ears hast thou opened: burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required.

21 Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me,

22 I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart.

23 I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O LORD, thou knowest.

24 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; I have declared thy faithfulness and thy salvation: I have not concealed thy loving-kindness and thy truth from the great congregation.

25 Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O LORD: let thy loving-kindness and thy truth continually preserve me.

26 For innumerable evils have compassed me about: mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up; they are more than the hairs of mine head: therefore my heart faileth me.

27 Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me: O LORD, make haste to help me.

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28 Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The LORD be magnified.

29 But I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh upon me: thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God.

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PSALM 42

1 AS the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.

2 My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?

3 My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually say unto me, Where is thy God?

4 When I remember these things, I pour out my soul in me: for I had gone with the multitude, I went with them to the house of God, with the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holy-day.

5 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him for the help of his countenance.

6 O my God, my soul is cast down within me: therefore will I remember thee from the land of Jordan, and of the Hermonites, from the hill Mizar.

7 Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy waterspouts: all thy waves and thy billows are gone over me.

8 Yet the LORD will command his loving-kindness

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in the daytime, and in the night his song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of my life.

9 I will say unto God my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?

10 As with a sword in my bones, mine enemies reproach me; while they say daily unto me, Where is thy God?

11 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God.

PSALM 43

12 JUDGE me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation: O deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man.

13 For thou art the God of my strength: why dost thou cast me off? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?

14 O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles.

15 Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto God my exceeding joy: yea, upon the harp will I praise thee, O God my God.

16 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God.

PSALM 44: 1-8

17 WE have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, what work thou didst in their days, in the times of old.

18 How thou didst drive out the heathen with thy

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hand, and plantedst them ; how thou didst afflict the people, and cast them out.

19 For they got not the land in possession 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 hadst a favor unto them.

20 Thou art my King, O God : command deliverances for Jacob.

21 Through thee will we push down our enemies : through thy name will we tread them under that rise up against us.

22 For I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me.

23 But thou hast saved us from our enemies, and hast put them to shame that hated us.

24 In God we boast all the day long, and praise thy name for ever.

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PSALM 45

1 MY heart is inditing a good matter : I speak of the things which I have made touching the King : my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

2 Thou art fairer than the children of men : grace is poured into thy lips : therefore God hath blessed thee for ever.

3 Gird thy sword upon thy thigh, O most Mighty, with thy glory and thy majesty.

4 And in thy majesty ride prosperously, because of truth and meekness and righteousness ; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.

5 Thine arrows are sharp in the heart of the

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King's enemies ; whereby the people fall under thee.

6 Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever : the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

7 Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness : therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

8 All thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.

9 Kings' daughters were among thy honorable women : upon thy right hand did stand the queen in gold of Ophir.

10 Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear ; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house ;

11 So shall the King greatly desire thy beauty : for he is thy LORD ; and worship thou him.

12 And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift ; even the rich among the people shall entreat thy favor.

13 The King's daughter is all glorious within : her clothing is of wrought gold.

14 She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needlework : the virgins her companions that follow her shall be brought unto thee.

15 With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought : they shall enter into the King's palace.

16 Instead of thy fathers shall be thy children, whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth.

17 I will make thy name to be remembered in all generations : therefore shall the people praise thee for ever and ever.

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PSALM 46

18 GOD is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

19 Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea ;

20 Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof.

21 There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the Most High.

22 God is in the midst of her ; she shall not be moved : God shall help her, and that right early.

23 The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved : he uttered his voice, the earth melted.

24 The LORD of hosts is with us ; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

25 Come, behold the works of the LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth.

26 He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth ; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder ; he burneth the chariot in the fire.

27 Be still, and know that I am God : I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

28 The LORD of hosts is with us ; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

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PSALM 47

1 O CLAP your hands, all ye people ; shout unto God with the voice of triumph.

2 For the LORD most high is terrible ; he is a great King over all the earth.

3 He shall subdue the people under us, and the nations under our feet.

4 He shall choose our inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom he loved.

5 God is gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a 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 ye praises with understanding.

8 God reigneth over the heathen : God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness.

9 The princes of the people are gathered together, even the people of the God of Abraham : for the shields of the earth belong unto God : he is greatly exalted.

PSALM 48

10 GREAT is the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness.

11 Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

12 God is known in her palaces for a refuge.

13 For, lo, the kings were assembled, they passed by together.

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14 They saw it, and so they marvelled ; they were troubled, and hasted away.

15 Fear took hold upon them there, and pain, as of a woman in travail.

16 Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish with an east wind.

17 As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God : God will establish it for ever.

18 We have thought of thy loving kindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple.

19 According to thy name, O God, so is thy praise unto the ends of the earth : thy right hand is full of righteousness.

20 Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments.

21 Walk about Zion, and go round about her : tell the towers thereof.

22 Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces ; that ye may tell it to the generation following.

23 For this God is our God for ever and ever : he will be our guide even unto death.

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PSALM 51

1 HAVE mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness : according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.

2 Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I acknowledge my transgressions : and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and

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done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.

5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

6 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom.

7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8 Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

9 Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.

10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

12 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free Spirit.

13 Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

14 Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness.

15 O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall show forth thy praise.

16 For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt offering.

17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

18 Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

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19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering: then shall they offer bullocks upon thine altar.

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PSALM 53

1 THE fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: there is none that doeth good.

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

3 Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

4 Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people as they eat bread: they have not called upon God.

5 There were they in great fear, where no fear was: for God hath scattered the bones of him that encampeth against thee: thou hast put them to shame, because God hath despised them.

6 Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion! When God bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

PSALM 56 : 3-4, 8-13

7 WHAT time I am afraid, I will trust in thee.

8 In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me.

9 Thou tellest my wanderings: put thou my tears into thy bottle: are they not in thy book?

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10 When I cry unto thee, then shall mine enemies turn back : this I know ; for God is for me.

11 In God will I praise his word : in the LORD will I praise his word.

12 In God have I put my trust : I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

13 Thy vows are upon me, O God : I will render praises unto thee.

14 For thou hast delivered my soul from death : wilt not thou deliver my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living ?

PSALM 57

15 BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me : for my soul trusteth in thee : yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast.

16 I will cry unto God most high ; unto God that performeth all things for me.

17 He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproach of him that would swallow me up. God shall send forth his mercy and his truth.

18 My soul is among lions : and I lie even among them that are set on fire, even the sons of men, whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.

19 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens ; let thy glory be above all the earth.

20 They have prepared a net for my steps ; my soul is bowed down : they have digged a pit before me, into the midst whereof they are fallen themselves.

21 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed : I will sing and give praise.

22 Awake up, my glory ; awake, psaltery and harp : I myself will awake early.

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23 I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people :
I will sing unto thee among the nations.

24 For thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and
thy truth unto the clouds.

25 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens :
let thy glory be above all the earth.

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PSALM 61

1 HEAR my cry, O God ; attend unto my prayer.

2 From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee,
when my heart is overwhelmed : lead me to the rock
that is higher than I.

3 For thou hast been a shelter for me, and a strong
tower from the enemy.

4 I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever : I will
trust in the covert of thy wings.

5 For thou, O God, hast heard my vows : thou
hast given me the heritage of those that fear thy
name.

6 Thou wilt prolong the king's life : and his years
as many generations.

7 He shall abide before God for ever : O prepare
mercy and truth, which may preserve him.

8 So will I sing praise unto thy name for ever,
that I may daily perform my vows.

PSALM 62

9 TRULY my soul waiteth upon God : from him
cometh my salvation.

10 He only is my rock and my salvation ; he is
my defence ; I shall not be greatly moved.

11 How long will ye imagine mischief against a

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man? ye shall be slain all of you: as a bowing wall shall ye be, and as a tottering fence.

12 They only consult to cast him down from his excellency: they delight in lies: they bless with their mouth, but they curse inwardly.

13 My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation is from him.

14 He only is my rock and my salvation: he is my defence; I shall not be moved.

15 In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God.

16 Trust in him at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us.

17 Surely men of low degree are vanity, and men of high degree are a lie: to be laid in the balance, they are altogether lighter than vanity.

18 Trust not in oppression, and become not vain in robbery: if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.

19 God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power belongeth unto God.

20 Also unto thee, O Lord, belongeth mercy: for thou renderest to every man according to his work.

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PSALM 63

1 O GOD, thou art my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is;

2 To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary.

3 Because thy loving-kindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee.

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4 Thus will I bless thee while I live ; I will lift up my hands in thy name.

5 My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness ; and my mouth shall praise thee with joyful lips :

6 When I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the night watches.

7 Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

8 My soul followeth hard after thee : thy right hand upholdeth me.

9 But those that seek my soul, to destroy it, shall go into the lower parts of the earth.

10 They shall fall by the sword : they shall be a portion for foxes.

11 But the king shall rejoice in God ; every one that sweareth by him shall glory : but the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.

PSALM 65

12 PRAISE waiteth for thee, O God, in Zion : and unto thee shall the vow be performed.

13 O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.

14 Iniquities prevail against me : as for our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away.

15 Blessed is the man whom thou choolest, and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts : we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

16 By terrible things in righteousness wilt thou answer us, O God of our salvation ; who art the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off upon the sea :

17 Which by his strength setteth fast the mountains ; being girded with power :

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18 Which stilleth the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the people.

19 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid at thy tokens : thou makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice.

20 Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it : thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, which is full of water : thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it.

21 Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly : thou settlest the furrows thereof : thou makest it soft with showers : thou blessest the springing thereof.

22 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness ; and thy paths drop fatness.

23 They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness : and the little hills rejoice on every side.

24 The pastures are clothed with flocks ; the valleys also are covered over with corn ; they shout for joy, they also sing.

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PSALM 66

1 MAKE a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands :

2 Sing forth the honor 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 submit themselves unto thee.

4 All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee ; they shall sing to thy name.

5 Come and see the works of God : he is terrible in his doing toward the children of men.

6 He turned the sea into dry land : they went

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through the flood on foot : there did we rejoice in him.

7 He ruleth by his power for ever ; his eyes behold the nations : let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

8 O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard :

9 Which holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved.

10 For thou, O God, hast proved us : thou hast tried us, as silver is tried.

11 Thou broughtest us into the net ; thou laidst affliction upon our loins.

12 Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads ; we went through fire and through water : but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.

13 I will go into thy house with burnt offerings : I will pay thee my vows,

14 Which my lips have uttered, and my mouth hath spoken, when I was in trouble.

15 I will offer unto thee burnt sacrifices of fatlings, with the incense of rams : I will offer bullocks with goats.

16 Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul.

17 I cried unto him with my mouth, and he was extolled with my tongue.

18 If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me :

19 But verily God hath heard me ; he hath attended to the voice of my prayer.

20 Blessed be God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me.

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PSALM 67

21 GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us ; and cause his face to shine upon us ;

22 That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.

23 Let the people praise thee, O God ; let all the people praise thee.

24 O let the nations be glad and sing for joy : for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

25 Let the people praise thee, O God ; let all the people praise thee.

26 Then shall the earth yield her increase ; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

27 God shall bless us ; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

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PSALM 68 : 1-19, 28-29, 31-35

1 LET God arise, let his enemies be scattered : let them also that hate him flee before him.

2 As smoke is driven away, so drive them away : as wax melteth before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

3 But let the righteous be glad ; let them rejoice before God : yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.

4 Sing unto God, sing praises to his name : extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.

5 A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, is God in his holy habitation.

6 God setteth the solitary in families : he bringeth

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out those which are bound with chains: but the rebellious dwell in a dry land.

7 O God, when thou wentest forth before thy people, when thou didst march through the wilderness;

8 The earth shook, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God: even Sinai itself was moved at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

9 Thou, O God, didst send a plentiful rain, whereby thou didst confirm thine inheritance, when it was weary.

10 Thy congregation hath dwelt therein: thou, O God, hast prepared of thy goodness for the poor.

11 The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it.

12 Kings of armies did flee apace: and she that tarried at home divided the spoil.

13 Though ye have lain among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold.

14 When the Almighty scattered kings in it, it was white as snow in Salmon.

15 The hill of God is as the hill of Bashan; a high hill as the hill of Bashan.

16 Why leap ye, ye high hills? this is the hill which God desireth to dwell in; yea, the LORD will dwell in it for ever.

17 The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels: the Lord is among them, as in Sinai, in the holy place.

18 Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell among them.

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19 Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation.

20 Thy God hath commanded thy strength: strengthen, O God, that which thou hast wrought for us.

21 Because of thy temple at Jerusalem shall kings bring presents unto thee.

22 Princes shall come out of Egypt; Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.

23 Sing unto God, ye kingdoms of the earth; O sing praises unto the Lord;

24 To him that rideth upon the heavens of heavens, which were of old; lo, he doth send out his voice, and that a mighty voice.

25 Ascribe ye strength unto God: his excellency is over Israel, and his strength is in the clouds.

26 O God, thou art terrible out of thy holy places: the God of Israel is he that giveth strength and power unto his people. Blessed be God.

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PSALM 70

1 MAKE haste, O God, to deliver me; make haste to help me, O LORD.

2 Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul: let them be turned backward, and put to confusion, that desire my hurt.

3 Let them be turned back for a reward of their shame that say, Aha, aha.

4 Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation say continually, Let God be magnified.

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5 But I am poor and needy ; make haste unto me, O God : thou art my help and my deliverer ; O LORD, make no tarrying.

PSALM 71 : 1-5, 8-9, 12, 14-24

6 IN thee, O LORD, do I put my trust : let me never be put to confusion.

7 Deliver me in thy righteousness, and cause me to escape : incline thine ear unto me, and save me.

8 Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort : thou hast given commandment to save me ; for thou art my rock and my fortress.

9 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

10 For thou art my hope, O Lord GOD : thou art my trust from my youth.

11 Let my mouth be filled with thy praise and with thy honor all the day.

12 Cast me not off in the time of old age ; forsake me not when my strength faileth.

13 O God, be not far from me : O my God, make haste for my help.

14 But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more.

15 My mouth shall show forth thy righteousness and thy salvation all the day ; for I know not the numbers thereof.

16 I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD : I will make mention of thy righteousness, even of thine only.

17 O God, thou hast taught me from my youth : and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works.

18 Now also when I am old and gray-headed, O

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God, forsake me not; until I have showed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to every one that is to come.

19 Thy righteousness also, O God, is very high, who hast done great things: O God, who is like unto thee!

20 Thou, which hast showed me great and sore troubles, shalt quicken me again, and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the earth.

21 Thou shalt increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side.

22 I will also praise thee with the psaltery, even thy truth, O my God: unto thee will I sing with the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.

23 My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee; and my soul, which thou hast redeemed.

24 My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long: for they are confounded, for they are brought unto shame, that seek my hurt.

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PSALM 72

1 GIVE the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the king's son.

2 He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment.

3 The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by righteousness.

4 He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor.

5 They shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure, throughout all generations.

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6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass : as showers that water the earth.

7 In his days shall the righteous flourish ; and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth.

8 He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.

9 They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him ; and his enemies shall lick the dust.

10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents : the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

11 Yea, all kings shall fall down before him : all nations shall serve him.

12 For he shall deliver the needy when he crieth ; the poor also, and him that hath no helper.

13 He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy.

14 He shall redeem their soul from deceit and violence : and precious shall their blood be in his sight.

15 And he shall live, and to him shall be given of the gold of Sheba : prayer also shall be made for him continually ; and daily shall he be praised.

16 There shall be a handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains ; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon : and they of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.

17 His name shall endure for ever : his name shall be continued as long as the sun : and men shall be blessed in him : all nations shall call him blessed.

18 Blessed be the LORD God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things.

19 And blessed be his glorious name for ever : and let the whole earth be filled with his glory. Amen, and Amen.

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PSALM 73 : 1-26

1 TRULY God is good to Israel, even to such as are of a clean heart.

2 But as for me, my feet were almost gone ; my steps had well nigh slipped.

3 For I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

4 For there are no bands in their death : but their strength is firm.

5 They are not in trouble as other men ; neither are they plagued like other men.

6 Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain ; violence covereth them as a garment.

7 Their eyes stand out with fatness : they have more than heart could wish.

8 They are corrupt, and speak wickedly concerning oppression : they speak loftily.

9 They set their mouth against the heavens, and their tongue walketh through the earth.

10 Therefore his people return hither : and waters of a full cup are wrung out to them.

11 And they say, How doth God know ? and is there knowledge in the Most High ?

12 Behold, these are the ungodly, who prosper in the world ; they increase in riches.

13 Verily I have cleansed my heart in vain, and washed my hands in innocency.

14 For all the day long have I been plagued, and chastened every morning.

15 If I say, I will speak thus ; behold, I should offend against the generation of thy children.

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16 When I thought to know this, it was too painful for me ;

17 Until I went into the sanctuary of God ; then understood I their end.

18 Surely thou didst set them in slippery places : thou castedst them down into destruction.

19 How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment ! they are utterly consumed with terrors.

20 As a dream when one awaketh ; so, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image.

21 Thus my heart was grieved, and I was pricked in my reins.

22 So foolish was I, and ignorant : I was as a beast before thee.

23 Nevertheless I am continually with thee : thou hast holden me by my right hand.

24 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.

25 Whom have I in heaven but thee ? and there is none upon earth that I desire besides thee.

26 My flesh and my heart faileth : but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

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PSALM 77

1 I CRIED unto God with my voice, even unto God with my voice ; and he gave ear unto me.

2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord : my sore ran in the night, and ceased not : my soul refused to be comforted.

3 I remembered God, and was troubled : I complained, and my spirit was overwhelmed.

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4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking : I am so troubled that I cannot speak.

5 I have considered the days of old, the years of ancient times.

6 I call to remembrance my song in the night : I commune with mine own heart : and my spirit made diligent search.

7 Will the Lord cast off for ever? and will he be favorable no more?

8 Is his mercy clean gone for ever? doth his promise fail for evermore?

9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath he in anger shut up his tender mercies?

10 And I said, This is my infirmity : but I will remember the years of the right hand of the Most High.

11 I will remember the works of the LORD : surely I will remember thy wonders of old.

12 I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings.

13 Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary : who is so great a God as our God?

14 Thou art the God that doest wonders : thou hast declared thy strength among the people.

15 Thou hast with thine arm redeemed thy people, the sons of Jacob and Joseph.

16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee ; they were afraid : the depths also were troubled.

17 The clouds poured out water : the skies sent out a sound : thine arrows also went abroad.

18 The voice of thy thunder was in the heaven : the lightnings lightened the world : the earth trembled and shook.

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19 Thy way is in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not known.

20 Thou leddest thy people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

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PSALM 80

1 GIVE ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that ledest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest between the cherubim, shine forth.

2 Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh stir up thy strength, and come and save us.

3 Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.

4 O LORD God of hosts, how long wilt thou be angry against the prayer of thy people?

5 Thou feedest them with the bread of tears; and givest them tears to drink in great measure.

6 Thou makest us a strife unto our neighbors; and our enemies laugh among themselves.

7 Turn us again, O God of hosts, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.

8 Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt: thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.

9 Thou preparedst room before it, and didst cause it to take deep root, and it filled the land.

10 The hills were covered with the shadow of it, and the boughs thereof were like the goodly cedars.

11 She sent out her boughs unto the sea, and her branches unto the river.

12 Why hast thou then broken down her hedges, so that all they which pass by the way do pluck her?

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13 The boar out of the wood doth waste it, and the wild beast of the field doth devour it.

14 Return, we beseech thee, O God of hosts: look down from heaven, and behold, and visit this vine;

15 And the vineyard which thy right hand hath planted, and the branch that thou madest strong for thyself.

16 It is burned with fire, it is cut down: they perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.

17 Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand, upon the son of man whom thou madest strong for thyself.

18 So will not we go back from thee: quicken us, and we will call upon thy name.

19 Turn us again, O LORD God of hosts, cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.

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PSALM 84

1 HOW amiable are thy tabernacles, O LORD of hosts!

2 My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.

3 Yea, the sparrow hath found a house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even thine altars, O LORD of hosts, my King, and my God.

4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee.

5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; in whose heart are the ways of them.

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6 Who passing through the valley of Baca make it a well ; the rain also filleth the pools.

7 They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God.

8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer : give ear, O God of Jacob.

9 Behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine anointed.

10 For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield : the LORD will give grace and glory : no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

12 O LORD of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.

PSALM 85

13 LORD, thou hast been favorable unto thy land : thou hast brought back the captivity of Jacob.

14 Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of thy people ; thou hast covered all their sin.

15 Thou hast taken away all thy wrath : thou hast turned thyself from the fierceness of thine anger.

16 Turn us, O God of our salvation, and cause thine anger toward us to cease.

17 Wilt thou be angry with us for ever ? wilt thou draw out thine anger to all generations ?

18 Wilt thou not revive us again : that thy people may rejoice in thee ?

19 Show us thy mercy, O LORD, and grant us thy salvation.

20 I will hear what God the LORD will speak : for he will speak peace unto his people, and to his saints : but let them not turn again to folly.

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21 Surely his salvation is nigh them that fear him ;
that glory may dwell in our land.

22 Mercy and truth are met together ; righteousness
and peace have kissed each other.

23 Truth shall spring out of the earth ; and right-
eousness shall look down from heaven.

24 Yea, the LORD shall give that which is good ;
and our land shall yield her increase.

25 Righteousness shall go before him ; and shall
set us in the way of his steps.

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PSALM 86

1 BOW down thine ear, O LORD, hear me : for I
am poor and needy.

2 Preserve my soul ; for I am holy : O thou my
God, save thy servant that trusteth in thee.

3 Be merciful unto me, O Lord : for I cry unto
thee daily.

4 Rejoice the soul of thy servant : for unto thee,
O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

5 For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive ;
and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon
thee.

6 Give ear, O LORD, unto my prayer ; and attend
to the voice of my supplications.

7 In the day of my trouble I will call upon thee :
for thou wilt answer me.

8 Among the gods there is none like unto thee,
O Lord ; neither are there any works like unto thy
works.

9 All nations whom thou hast made shall come

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and worship before thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name.

10 For thou art great, and doest wondrous things: thou art God alone.

11 Teach me thy ways, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart to fear thy name.

12 I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and I will glorify thy name for evermore.

13 For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the lowest hell.

14 O God, the proud are risen against me, and the assemblies of violent men have sought after my soul; and have not set thee before them.

15 But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.

16 O turn unto me, and have mercy upon me; give thy strength unto thy servant, and save the son of thine handmaid.

17 Show me a token for good; that they which hate me may see it, and be ashamed: because thou, LORD, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

PSALM 87

18 HIS foundation is in the holy mountains.

19 The LORD loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

20 Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.

21 I will make mention of Rahab and Babylon to them that know me: behold Philistia, and Tyre, with Ethiopia; this man was born there.

22 And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her: and the Highest himself shall establish her.

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23 The LORD shall count, when he writeth up the people, that this man was born there.

24 As well the singers as the players on instruments shall be there : all my springs are in thee.

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PSALM 89 : 1-37

1 I WILL sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever : with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.

2 For I have said, Mercy shall be built up for ever : thy faithfulness shalt thou establish in the very heavens.

3 I have made a covenant with my chosen, I have sworn unto David my servant,

4 Thy seed will I establish for ever, and build up thy throne to all generations.

5 And the heavens shall praise thy wonders, O LORD : thy faithfulness also in the congregation of the saints.

6 For who in the heaven can be compared unto the LORD? who among the sons of the mighty can be likened unto the LORD?

7 God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him.

8 O LORD God of hosts, who is a strong LORD like unto thee? or to thy faithfulness round about thee?

9 Thou rulest the raging of the sea : when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them.

10 Thou hast broken Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain ; thou hast scattered thine enemies with thy strong arm.

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11 The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine : as for the world and the fulness thereof, thou hast founded them.

12 The north and the south thou hast created them : Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy name.

13 Thou hast a mighty arm : strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

14 Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne : mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

15 Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound : they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance.

16 In thy name shall they rejoice all the day : and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted.

17 For thou art the glory of their strength : and in thy favor our horn shall be exalted.

18 For the LORD is our defence ; and the Holy One of Israel is our King.

19 Then thou spakest in vision to thy Holy One, and saidst, I have laid help upon one that is mighty ; I have exalted one chosen out of the people.

20 I have found David my servant ; with my holy oil have I anointed him :

21 With whom my hand shall be established : mine arm also shall strengthen him.

22 The enemy shall not exact upon him ; nor the son of wickedness afflict him.

23 And I will beat down his foes before his face, and plague them that hate him.

24 But my faithfulness and my mercy shall be with him : and in my name shall his horn be exalted.

25 I will set his hand also in the sea, and his right hand in the rivers.

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26 He shall cry unto me, Thou art my Father, my God, and the Rock of my salvation.

27 Also I will make him my firstborn, higher than the kings of the earth.

28 My mercy will I keep for him for evermore, and my covenant shall stand fast with him.

29 His seed also will I make to endure for ever, and his throne as the days of heaven.

30 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 will I visit their transgression with the rod, and their iniquity with stripes.

33 Nevertheless my loving-kindness will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer my faithfulness to fail.

34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.

35 Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will not lie unto David.

36 His seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before me.

37 It shall be established for ever as the moon, and as a faithful witness in heaven.

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PSALM 90

1 LORD, thou hast been our dwelling-place in all generations.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

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3 Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men.

4 For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

5 Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in the morning they are like grass which groweth up.

6 In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.

7 For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.

8 Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

9 For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told.

10 The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labor and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

11 Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.

12 So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

13 Return, O LORD, how long? and let it repent thee concerning thy servants.

14 O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

15 Make us glad according to the days wherein thou hast afflicted us, and the years wherein we have seen evil.

16 Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children.

17 And let the beauty of the LORD our God be

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upon us : and establish thou the work of our hands upon us ; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.

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PSALM 91

1 HE that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress : my God ; in him will I trust.

3 Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.

4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust : his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night ; nor for the arrow that flieth by day ;

6 Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness ; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand ; but it shall not come nigh thee.

8 Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.

9 Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the Most High, thy habitation ;

10 There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

12 They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

13 Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder : the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

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14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him : I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him : I will be with him in trouble ; I will deliver him, and honor him.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation.

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PSALM 92

1 IT is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High :

2 To show forth thy loving-kindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night,

3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the psaltery ; upon the harp with a solemn sound.

4 For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through thy work : I will triumph in the works of thy hands.

5 O LORD, how great are thy works ! and thy thoughts are very deep.

6 A brutish man knoweth not ; neither doth a fool understand this.

7 When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish ; it is that they shall be destroyed for ever :

8 But thou, LORD, art most high for evermore.

9 For, lo, thine enemies, O LORD, for, lo, thine enemies shall perish ; all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.

10 But my horn shalt thou exalt like the horn of a unicorn : I shall be anointed with fresh oil.

11 Mine eye also shall see my desire on mine

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enemies, and mine ears shall hear my desire of the wicked that rise up against me.

12 The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree : he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

13 Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.

14 They shall still bring forth fruit in old age ; they shall be fat and flourishing ;

15 To show that the LORD is upright : he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

PSALM 93

16 THE LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty ; the LORD is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself : the world also is stablished, that it cannot be moved.

17 Thy throne is established of old : thou art from everlasting.

18 The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice ; the floods lift up their waves.

19 The LORD on high is mightier than the noise of many waters, yea, than the mighty waves of the sea.

20 Thy testimonies are very sure : holiness becometh thine house, O LORD, for ever.

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PSALM 95

1 O COME, let us sing unto the LORD : let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation.

2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

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3 For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

4 In his hand are the deep places of the earth : the strength of the hills is his also.

5 The sea is his, and he made it : and his hands formed the dry land.

6 O come, let us worship and bow down : let us 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 hand. To day if ye will hear his voice,

8 Harden not your heart, as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness :

9 When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my work.

10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said, It is a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways :

11 Unto whom I swear in my wrath that they should not enter into my rest.

PSALM 96

12 O SING unto the LORD a new song : sing unto the LORD, all the earth.

13 Sing unto the LORD, bless his name ; show forth his salvation from day to day.

14 Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people.

15 For the LORD is great, and greatly to be praised : he is to be feared above all gods.

16 For all the gods of the nations are idols : but the LORD made the heavens.

17 Honor and majesty are before him : strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

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18 Give unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

19 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name : bring an offering, and come into his courts.

20 O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness : fear before him, all the earth.

21 Say among the heathen that the LORD reigneth : the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved : he shall judge the people righteously.

22 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad ; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof.

23 Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein : then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice

24 Before the LORD : for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth : he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.

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PSALM 97

1 THE LORD reigneth ; let the earth rejoice ; let the multitude of isles be glad thereof.

2 Clouds and darkness are round about him : righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his throne.

3 A fire goeth before him, and burneth up his enemies round about.

4 His lightnings enlightened the world : the earth saw, and trembled.

5 The hills 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 see his glory.

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7 Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols : worship him, all ye gods.

8 Zion heard, and was glad ; and the daughters of Judah rejoiced because of thy judgments, O LORD.

9 For thou, LORD, art high above all the earth : thou art exalted far above all gods.

10 Ye that love the LORD, hate evil : he preserveth the souls of his saints ; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.

11 Light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart.

12 Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous ; and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.

PSALM 98

13 O SING unto the LORD a new song ; for he hath done marvellous things : his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory.

14 The LORD hath made known his salvation : his righteousness hath he openly showed in the sight of the heathen.

15 He hath remembered his mercy and his truth toward the house of Israel : all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

16 Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth : make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise.

17 Sing unto the LORD with the harp ; with the harp, and the voice of a psalm.

18 With trumpets and sound of cornet make a joyful noise before the LORD, the King.

19 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof ; the world, and they that dwell therein.

20 Let the floods clap their hands : let the hills be joyful together

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21 Before the LORD ; for he cometh to judge the earth : with righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

PSALM 99

22 THE LORD reigneth ; let the people tremble : he sitteth between the cherubim ; let the earth be moved.

23 The LORD is great in Zion ; and he is high above all the people.

24 Let them praise thy great and terrible name ; for it is holy.

25 The king's strength also loveth judgment ; thou dost establish equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.

26 Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his footstool ; for he is holy.

27 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among them that call upon his name ; they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

28 He spake unto them in the cloudy pillar : they kept his testimonies, and the ordinance that he gave them.

29 Thou answeredst them, O LORD our God : thou wast a God that forgavest them, though thou tookest vengeance of their inventions.

30 Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy hill ; for the LORD our God is holy.

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PSALM 100

1 MAKE a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.

2 Serve the LORD with gladness : come before his presence with singing.

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3 Know ye that the LORD he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves ; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

5 For the LORD is good ; his mercy is everlasting ; and his truth endureth to all generations.

PSALM 103

6 BLESS the LORD, O my soul : and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

7 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits :

8 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities ; who healeth all thy diseases ;

9 Who redeemeth thy life from destruction ; who crowneth thee with loving-kindness and tender mercies ;

10 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things ; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

11 The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.

12 He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.

13 The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

14 He will not always chide : neither will he keep his anger for ever.

15 He hath not dealt with us after our sins ; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

16 For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.

17 As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

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18 Like as a father pitieth his children, so the LORD pitieth them that fear him.

19 For he knoweth our frame ; he remembereth that we are dust.

20 As for man, his days are as grass : as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.

21 For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone ; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

22 But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children ;

23 To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.

24 The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens ; and his kingdom ruleth over all.

25 Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.

26 Bless ye the LORD, all ye his hosts ; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure.

27 Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion : bless the LORD, O my soul.

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1 BLESS the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, thou art very great ; thou art clothed with honor and majesty :

2 Who coverest thyself with light as with a garment : who stretchest out the heavens like a curtain :

3 Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters : who maketh the clouds his chariot : who walketh upon the wings of the wind :

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4 Who maketh his angels spirits ; his ministers a flaming fire :

5 Who laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be removed for ever.

6 Thou coveredst it with the deep as with a garment : the waters stood above the mountains.

7 At thy rebuke they fled ; at the voice of thy thunder they hasted away.

8 They go up by the mountains ; they go down by the valleys unto the place which thou hast founded for them.

9 Thou hast set a bound that they may not pass over ; that they turn not again to cover the earth.

10 He sendeth the springs into the valleys, which run among the hills.

11 They give drink to every beast of the field : the wild asses quench their thirst.

12 By them shall the fowls of the heaven have their habitation, which sing among the branches.

13 He watereth the hills from his chambers : the earth is satisfied with the fruit of thy works.

14 He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man : that he may bring forth food out of the earth ;

15 And wine that maketh glad the heart of man, and oil to make his face to shine, and bread which strengtheneth man's heart.

16 The trees of the LORD are full of sap ; the cedars of Lebanon, which he hath planted ;

17 Where the birds make their nests : as for the stork, the fir trees are her house.

18 The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats ; and the rocks for the conies.

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19 He appointed the moon for seasons : the sun knoweth his going down.

20 Thou makest darkness, and it is night : wherein all the beasts of the forest do creep forth.

21 The young lions roar after their prey, and seek their meat from God.

22 The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together, and lay them down in their dens.

23 Man goeth forth unto his work and to his labor until the evening.

24 O LORD, how manifold are thy works ! in wisdom hast thou made them all : the earth is full of thy riches.

25 So is this great and wide sea, wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.

26 There go the ships : there is that leviathan, whom thou hast made to play therein.

27 These wait all upon thee ; that thou mayst give them their meat in due season.

28 That thou givest them they gather : thou openest thine hand, they are filled with good.

29 Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled : thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust.

30 Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created : and thou renewest the face of the earth.

31 The glory of the LORD shall endure for ever : the LORD shall rejoice in his works.

32 He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth : he toucheth the hills, and they smoke.

33 I will sing unto the LORD as long as I live : I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

34 My meditation of him shall be sweet : I will be glad in the LORD.

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35 Let the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless thou the LORD, O my soul. Praise ye the LORD.

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PSALM 107 : 1-22

1 O GIVE thanks unto the LORD, for he is good : for his mercy endureth for ever.

2 Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy ;

3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south.

4 They wandered in the wilderness in a solitary way ; they found no city to dwell in.

5 Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.

6 Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distresses.

7 And he led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.

8 Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men !

9 For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

10 Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, being bound in affliction and iron ;

11 Because they rebelled against the words of God, and contemned the counsel of the Most High :

12 Therefore he brought down their heart with labor ; they fell down, and there was none to help.

13 Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them out of their distresses.

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14 He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and brake their bands in sunder.

15 Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men !

16 For he hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder.

17 Fools, because of their transgression, and because of their iniquities, are afflicted.

18 Their soul abhorreth all manner of meat ; and they draw near unto the gates of death.

19 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saveth them out of their distresses.

20 He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

21 Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men !

22 And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing.

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PSALM 107 : 23-43

1 THEY that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters ;

2 These see the works of the LORD, and his wonders in the deep.

3 For he commandeth, and raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth up the waves thereof.

4 They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths : their soul is melted because of trouble.

5 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wit's end.

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6 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he bringeth them out of their distresses.

7 He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still.

8 Then are they glad because they be quiet ; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven.

9 Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men !

10 Let them exalt him also in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

11 He turneth rivers into a wilderness, and the watersprings into dry ground ;

12 A fruitful land into barrenness, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.

13 He turneth the wilderness into a standing water, and dry ground into watersprings.

14 And there he maketh the hungry to dwell, that they may prepare a city for habitation ;

15 And sow the fields, and plant vineyards, which may yield fruits of increase.

16 He blesseth them also, so that they are multiplied greatly ; and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

17 Again, they are minished and brought low through oppression, affliction, and sorrow.

18 He poureth contempt upon princes, and causeth them to wander in the wilderness, where there is no way.

19 Yet setteth he the poor on high from affliction, and maketh him families like a flock.

20 The righteous shall see it, and rejoice : and all iniquity shall stop her mouth.

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21 Whoso is wise, and will observe these things, even they shall understand the loving-kindness of the LORD.

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PSALM 110

1 THE LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

2 The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion : rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.

3 Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning : thou hast the dew of thy youth.

4 The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

5 The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath.

6 He shall judge among the heathen, he shall fill the places with the dead bodies ; he shall wound the heads over many countries.

7 He shall drink of the brook in the way : therefore shall he lift up the head.

PSALM 111

8 PRAISE ye the LORD. I will praise the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.

9 The works of the LORD are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

10 His work is honorable and glorious : and his righteousness endureth for ever.

11 He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered : the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

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12 He hath given meat unto them that fear him : he will ever be mindful of his covenant.

13 He hath showed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

14 The works of his hands are verity and judgment ; all his commandments are sure.

15 They stand fast for ever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness.

16 He sent redemption unto his people : he hath commanded his covenant for ever : holy and reverend is his name.

17 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom : a good understanding have all they that do his commandments : his praise endureth for ever.

PSALM 112

18 PRAISE ye the LORD. Blessed is the man that feareth the LORD, that delighteth greatly in his commandments.

19 His seed shall be mighty upon earth : the generation of the upright shall be blessed.

20 Wealth and riches shall be in his house : and his righteousness endureth for ever.

21 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness : he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

22 A good man showeth favor, and lendeth : he will guide his affairs with discretion.

23 Surely he shall not be moved for ever : the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.

24 He shall not be afraid of evil tidings : his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD.

25 His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he see his desire upon his enemies.

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26 He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor ; his righteousness endureth for ever ; his horn shall be exalted with honor.

27 The wicked shall see it, and be grieved ; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away : the desire of the wicked shall perish.

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PSALM 113 : 1-6

1 PRAISE ye the LORD. Praise, O ye servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD.

2 Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and for evermore.

3 From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the LORD'S name is to be praised.

4 The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.

5 Who is like unto the LORD our God, who dwelleth on high,

6 Who humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven, and in the earth !

PSALM 115

7 NOT unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake.

8 Wherefore should the heathen say, Where is now their God ?

9 But our God is in the heavens : he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.

10 Their idols are silver and gold, the work of men's hands.

11 They have mouths, but they speak not : eyes have they, but they see not :

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12 They have ears, but they hear not : noses have they, but they smell not :

13 They have hands, but they handle not : feet have they, but they walk not : neither speak they through their throat.

14 They that make them are like unto them ; so is every one that trusteth in them.

15 O Israel, trust thou in the LORD : he is their help and their shield.

16 O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD : he is their help and their shield.

17 Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD : he is their help and their shield.

18 The LORD hath been mindful of us : he will bless us ; he will bless the house of Israel ; he will bless the house of Aaron.

19 He will bless them that fear the LORD, both small and great.

20 The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

21 Ye are blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth.

22 The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's : but the earth hath he given to the children of men.

23 The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence.

24 But we will bless the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. Praise the LORD.

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PSALM 116

1 I LOVE the LORD, because he hath heard my voice and my supplications.

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2 Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

3 The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat hold upon me : I found trouble and sorrow.

4 Then called I upon the name of the LORD ; O LORD, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

5 Gracious is the LORD, and righteous ; yea, our God is merciful.

6 The LORD preserveth the simple : I was brought low, and he helped me.

7 Return unto thy rest, O my soul ; for the LORD hath dealt bountifully with thee.

8 For thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

9 I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

10 I believed, therefore have I spoken : I was greatly afflicted :

11 I said in my haste, All men are liars.

12 What shall I render unto the LORD for all his benefits toward me ?

13 I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the LORD.

14 I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people.

15 Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.

16 O LORD, truly I am thy servant ; I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid : thou hast loosed my bonds.

17 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the LORD.

18 I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people,

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19 In the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM 117

20 O PRAISE the LORD, all ye nations : praise him, all ye people.

21 For his merciful kindness is great toward us : and the truth of the LORD endureth for ever. Praise ye the LORD.

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PSALM 118

1 O GIVE thanks unto the LORD ; for he is good : because his mercy endureth for ever.

2 Let Israel now say, that his mercy endureth for ever.

3 Let the house of Aaron now say, that his mercy endureth for ever.

4 Let them now that fear the LORD say, that his mercy endureth for ever.

5 I called upon the LORD in distress : the LORD answered me, and set me in a large place.

6 The LORD is on my side ; I will not fear : what can man do unto me ?

7 The LORD taketh my part with them that help me : therefore shall I see my desire upon them that hate me.

8 It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.

9 It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes.

10 All nations compassed me about : but in the name of the LORD will I destroy them.

11 They compassed me about ; yea, they compassed me about : but in the name of the LORD I will destroy them.

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12 They compassed me about like bees ; they are quenched as the fire of thorns : for in the name of the LORD I will destroy them.

13 Thou hast thrust sore at me that I might fall : but the LORD helped me.

14 The LORD is my strength and song, and is become my salvation.

15 The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tabernacles of the righteous : the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.

16 The right hand of the LORD is exalted : the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.

17 I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.

18 The LORD hath chastened me sore : but he hath not given me over unto death.

19 Open to me the gates of righteousness : I will go into them, and I will praise the LORD :

20 This gate of the LORD, into which the righteous shall enter.

21 I will praise thee : for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.

22 The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.

23 This is the LORD's doing ; it is marvellous in our eyes.

24 This is the day which the LORD hath made ; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Save now, I beseech thee, O LORD : O LORD, I beseech thee, send now prosperity.

26 Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the LORD : we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD.

27 God is the LORD, which hath showed us light :

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bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar.

28 Thou art my God, and I will praise thee : thou art my God, I will exalt thee.

29 O give thanks unto the LORD ; for he is good : for his mercy endureth for ever.

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PSALM 119 : 1-24

1 BLESSED are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD.

2 Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart.

3 They also do no iniquity : they walk in his ways.

4 Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently.

5 O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes !

6 Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments.

7 I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have learned thy righteous judgments.

8 I will keep thy statutes : O forsake me not utterly.

9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way ? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.

10 With my whole heart have I sought thee : O let me not wander from thy commandments.

11 Thy word have I hid 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 judgments of thy mouth.

14 I have rejoiced in the way of thy testimonies, as much as in all riches.

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15 I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways.

16 I will delight myself in thy statutes : I will not forget thy word.

17 Deal bountifully with thy servant, that I may live, and keep thy word.

18 Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.

19 I am a stranger in the earth : hide not thy commandments from me.

20 My soul breaketh for the longing that it hath unto thy judgments at all times.

21 Thou hast rebuked the proud that are cursed, which do err from thy commandments.

22 Remove from me reproach and contempt ; for I have kept thy testimonies.

23 Princes also did sit and speak against me : but thy servant did meditate in thy statutes.

24 Thy testimonies also are my delight, and my counsellors.

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PSALM 119 : 33-48, 89-96

1 TEACH me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes ; and I shall keep it unto the end.

2 Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law ; yea, I shall observe it with my whole heart.

3 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments ; for therein do I delight.

4 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.

5 Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity ; and quicken thou me in thy way.

6 Stablish thy word unto thy servant, who is devoted to thy fear.

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7 Turn away my reproach which I fear : for thy judgments are good.

8 Behold, I have longed after thy precepts : quicken me in thy righteousness.

9 Let thy mercies come also unto me, O LORD, even thy salvation, according to thy word.

10 So shall I have wherewith to answer him that reproacheth me : for I trust in thy word.

11 And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth ; for I have hoped in thy judgments.

12 So shall I keep thy law continually for ever and ever.

13 And I will walk at liberty : for I seek thy precepts.

14 I will speak of thy testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed.

15 And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved.

16 My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved ; and I will meditate in thy statutes.

17 For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.

18 Thy faithfulness is unto all generations : thou hast established the earth, and it abideth.

19 They continue this day according to thine ordinances : for all are thy servants.

20 Unless thy law had been my delights, I should then have perished in mine affliction.

21 I will never forget thy precepts : for with them thou hast quickened me.

22 I am thine, save me ; for I have sought thy precepts.

23 The wicked have waited for me to destroy me ; but I will consider thy testimonies.

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24 I have seen an end of all perfection : but thy commandment is exceeding broad.

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PSALM 119 : 97-120

1 O HOW love I thy law ! it is my meditation all the day.

2 Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies : for they are ever with me.

3 I have more understanding than all my teachers : for thy testimonies are my meditation.

4 I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts.

5 I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.

6 I have not departed from thy judgments : for thou hast taught me.

7 How sweet are thy words unto my taste ! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth.

8 Through thy precepts I get understanding : therefore I hate every false way.

9 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

10 I have sworn, and I will perform it, that I will keep thy righteous judgments.

11 I am afflicted very much : quicken me, O LORD, according unto thy word.

12 Accept, I beseech thee, the free-will offerings of my mouth, O LORD, and teach me thy judgments.

13 My soul is continually in my hand : yet do I not forget thy law.

14 The wicked have laid a snare for me : yet I erred not from thy precepts.

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15 Thy testimonies have I taken as a heritage for ever: for they are the rejoicing of my heart.

16 I have inclined mine heart to perform thy statutes always, even unto the end.

17 I hate vain thoughts: but thy law do I love.

18 Thou art my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word.

19 Depart from me, ye evil doers: for I will keep the commandments of my God.

20 Uphold me according unto thy word, that I may live: and let me not be ashamed of my hope.

21 Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect unto thy statutes continually.

22 Thou hast trodden down all them that err from thy statutes: for their deceit is falsehood.

23 Thou puttest away all the wicked of the earth like dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.

24 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee; and I am afraid of thy judgments.

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PSALM 121

1 I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

2 My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.

3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.

4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand.

6 The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

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7 The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil : he shall preserve thy soul.

8 The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

PSALM 122

9 I WAS glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.

10 Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.

11 Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together :

12 Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the LORD.

13 For there are set thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.

14 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee.

15 Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces.

16 For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will now say, Peace be within thee.

17 Because of the house of the LORD our God I will seek thy good.

PSALM 123

18 UNTO thee lift I up mine eyes, O thou that dwellest in the heavens.

19 Behold, as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress ; so our eyes wait upon the LORD our God, until that he have mercy upon us.

20 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us : for we are exceedingly filled with contempt.

21 Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scorn-

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ing of those that are at ease, and with the contempt of the proud.

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PSALM 124

1 IF it had not been the LORD who was on our side, now may Israel say ;

2 If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when men rose up against us :

3 Then they had swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was kindled against us.

4 Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul :

5 Then the proud waters had gone over our soul.

6 Blessed be the LORD, who hath not given us as a prey to their teeth.

7 Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers : the snare is broken, and we are escaped.

8 Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

PSALM 125

9 THEY that trust in the LORD shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever.

10 As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the LORD is round about his people from henceforth even for ever.

11 For the rod of the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous ; lest the righteous put forth their hands unto iniquity.

12 Do good, O LORD, unto those that be good, and to them that are upright in their hearts.

13 As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, the LORD shall lead them forth with the workers of iniquity : but peace shall be upon Israel.

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PSALM 126

14 WHEN the LORD turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream. .

15 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, The LORD hath done great things for them.

16 The LORD hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad.

17 Turn again our captivity, O LORD, as the streams in the south.

18 They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.

19 He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

PSALM 127

20 EXCEPT the LORD build the house, they labor in vain that build it: except the LORD keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

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

22 Lo, children are a heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward.

23 As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth.

24 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate.

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PSALM 130

1 OUT of the depths have I cried unto thee, O LORD.

2 Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.

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3 If thou, LORD, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand?

4 But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared.

5 I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I hope.

6 My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning : I say, more than they that watch for the morning.

7 Let Israel hope in the LORD : for with the LORD there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption.

8 And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

PSALM 131

9 LORD, my heart is not haughty, nor mine eyes lofty : neither do I exercise myself in great matters, or in things too high for me.

10 Surely I have behaved and quieted myself, as a child that is weaned of his mother : my soul is even as a weaned child.

11 Let Israel hope in the LORD from henceforth and for ever.

PSALM 132

12 LORD, remember David, and all his afflictions :

13 How he sware unto the LORD, and vowed unto the mighty God of Jacob ;

14 Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house, nor go up into my bed ;

15 I will not give sleep to mine eyes, or slumber to mine eyelids,

16 Until I find out a place for the LORD, a habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.

17 Lo, we heard of it at Ephratah : we found it in the fields of the wood.

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18 We will go into his tabernacles : we will worship at his footstool.

19 Arise, O LORD, into thy rest ; thou, and the ark of thy strength.

20 Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness ; and let thy saints shout for joy.

21 For thy servant David's sake turn not away the face of thine anointed.

22 The LORD hath sworn in truth unto David ; he will not turn from it ; Of the fruit of thy body will I set upon thy throne.

23 If thy children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I shall teach them, their children shall also sit upon thy throne for evermore.

24 For the LORD hath chosen Zion ; he hath desired it for his habitation.

25 This is my rest for ever : here will I dwell ; for I have desired it.

26 I will abundantly bless her provision : I will satisfy her poor with bread.

27 I will also clothe her priests with salvation : and her saints shall shout aloud for joy.

28 There will I make the horn of David to bud : I have ordained a lamp for mine anointed.

29 His enemies will I clothe with shame : but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

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PSALM 133

1 BEHOLD, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity !

2 It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard : that went down to the skirts of his garments ;

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3 As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion : for there the LORD commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.

PSALM 134

4 BEHOLD, bless ye the LORD, all ye servants of the LORD, which by night stand in the house of the LORD.

5 Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the LORD.

6 The LORD that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.

PSALM 135

7 PRAISE ye the LORD. Praise ye the name of the LORD ; praise him, O ye servants of the LORD.

8 Ye that stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God,

9 Praise the LORD ; for the LORD is good : sing praises unto his name ; for it is pleasant.

10 For the LORD hath chosen Jacob unto himself, and Israel for his peculiar treasure.

11 For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods.

12 Whatsoever the LORD pleased, that did he in heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and all deep places.

13 He causeth the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth ; he maketh lightnings for the rain ; he bringeth the wind out of his treasuries.

14 Who smote the firstborn of Egypt, both of man and beast.

15 Who sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his servants.

16 Who smote great nations, and slew mighty kings ;

17 Sihon king of the Amorites, and Og king of Bashan, and all the kingdoms of Canaan :

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18 And gave their land for a heritage, a heritage unto Israel his people.

19 Thy name, O LORD, endureth for ever; and thy memorial, O LORD, throughout all generations.

20 For the LORD will judge his people, and he will repent himself concerning his servants.

21 The idols of the heathen are silver and gold, the work of men's hands.

22 They have mouths, but they speak not; eyes have they, but they see not;

23 They have ears but they hear not; neither is there any breath in their mouths.

24 They that make them are like unto them: so is every one that trusteth in them.

25 Bless the LORD, O house of Israel: bless the LORD, O house of Aaron:

26 Bless the LORD, O house of Levi: ye that fear the LORD, bless the LORD.

27 Blessed be the LORD out of Zion, which dwelleth at Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.

Selection 52

PSALM 136: 1-9, 23-26

1 O GIVE thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

2 O give thanks unto the God of gods: for his mercy endureth for ever.

3 O give thanks to the Lord of lords: for his mercy endureth for ever.

4 To him who alone doeth great wonders: for his mercy endureth for ever.

5 To him that by wisdom made the heavens: for his mercy endureth for ever.

Selection 52

6 To him that stretched out the earth above the waters : for his mercy endureth for ever.

7 To him that made great lights : for his mercy endureth for ever :

8 The sun to rule by day : for his mercy endureth for ever :

9 The moon and stars to rule by night : for his mercy endureth for ever.

10 Who remembered us in our low estate : for his mercy endureth for ever :

11 And hath redeemed us from our enemies : for his mercy endureth for ever.

12 Who giveth food to all flesh : for his mercy endureth for ever.

13 O give thanks unto the God of heaven : for his mercy endureth for ever.

PSALM 137 : 1-6

14 BY the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down, yea, we wept, when we remembered Zion.

15 We hanged our harps upon the willows in the midst thereof.

16 For there they that carried us away captive required of us a song ; and they that wasted us required of us mirth, saying, Sing us one of the songs of Zion.

17 How shall we sing the LORD'S song in a strange land ?

18 If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning.

19 If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth ; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy.

PSALM 138

20 I WILL praise thee with my whole heart : before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

Selection 53

21 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy loving-kindness and for thy truth : for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name.

22 In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, and strengthenedst me with strength in my soul.

23 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O LORD, when they hear the words of thy mouth.

24 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the LORD : for great is the glory of the LORD.

25 Though the LORD be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly : but the proud he knoweth afar off.

26 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me : thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

27 The LORD will perfect that which concerneth me : thy mercy, O LORD, endureth for ever : forsake not the works of thine own hands.

Selection 53

PSALM 139 : 1-12, 14-24

1 O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known me.

2 Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising ; thou understandest my thought afar off.

3 Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.

4 For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.

5 Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me.

6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me ; it is high, I cannot attain unto it.

7 Whither shall I go from thy Spirit ? or whither shall I flee from thy presence ?

Selection 53

8 If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there : if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.

9 If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea ;

10 Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.

11 If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me ; even the night shall be light about me.

12 Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee ; but the night shineth as the day : the darkness and the light are both alike to thee.

13 I will praise thee ; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made : marvellous are thy works ; and that my soul knoweth right well.

14 My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

15 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect ; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them.

16 How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God ! how great is the sum of them !

17 If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand : when I awake, I am still with thee.

18 Surely thou wilt slay the wicked, O God : depart from me therefore, ye bloody men.

19 For they speak against thee wickedly, and thine enemies take thy name in vain.

20 Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee ? and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee ?

21 I hate them with perfect hatred : I count them mine enemies.

Selection 54

22 Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:

23 And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Selection 54

PSALM 141 : 1-3

1 LORD, I cry unto thee: make haste unto me; give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.

2 Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

3 Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.

PSALM 142

4 I CRIED unto the LORD with my voice; with my voice unto the LORD did I make my supplication.

5 I poured out my complaint before him; I showed before him my trouble.

6 When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, then thou knewest my path. In the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.

7 I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me: refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul.

8 I cried unto thee, O LORD: I said, Thou art my refuge and my portion in the land of the living.

9 Attend unto my cry; for I am brought very low: deliver me from my persecutors; for they are stronger than I.

10 Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise thy name: the righteous shall compass me about; for thou shalt deal bountifully with me.

Selection 55

PSALM 143 : 1-11

11 HEAR my prayer, O LORD, give ear to my supplications : in thy faithfulness answer me, and in thy righteousness.

12 And enter not into judgment with thy servant : for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

13 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul ; he hath smitten my life down to the ground ; he hath made me to dwell in darkness, as those that have been long dead.

14 Therefore is my spirit overwhelmed within me ; my heart within me is desolate.

15 I remember the days of old ; I meditate on all thy works ; I muse on the work of thy hands

16 I stretch forth my hands unto thee : my soul thirsteth after thee, as a thirsty land.

17 Hear me speedily, O LORD ; my spirit faileth : hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

18 Cause me to hear thy loving-kindness in the morning ; for in thee do I trust : cause me to know the way wherein I should walk ; for I lift up my soul unto thee.

19 Deliver me, O LORD, from mine enemies : I flee unto thee to hide me.

20 Teach me to do thy will ; for thou art my God : thy Spirit is good ; lead me into the land of uprightness.

21 Quicken me, O LORD, for thy name's sake : for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

Selection 55

PSALM 144

1 BLESSED be the LORD my strength, which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight :

Selection 55

2 My goodness, and my fortress ; my high tower, and my deliverer ; my shield, and he in whom I trust ; who subdueth my people under me.

3 LORD, what is man, that thou takest knowledge of him ! or the son of man, that thou makest account of him !

4 Man is like to vanity : his days are as a shadow that passeth away.

5 Bow thy heavens, O LORD, and come down : touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.

6 Cast forth lightning, and scatter them : shoot out thine arrows, and destroy them.

7 Send thine hand from above ; rid me, and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand of strange children ;

8 Whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood.

9 I will sing a new song unto thee, O God : upon a psaltery and an instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee.

10 It is he that giveth salvation unto kings : who delivereth David his servant from the hurtful sword.

11 Rid me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children, whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood :

12 That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth ; that our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace :

13 That our garners may be full, affording all manner of store ; that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets :

14 That our oxen may be strong to labor ; that there be no breaking in, nor going out ; that there be no complaining in our streets.

Selection 56

15 Happy is that people, that is in such a case :
yea, happy is that people, whose God is the LORD.

PSALM 146

16 PRAISE ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my
soul.

17 While I live will I praise the LORD : I will sing
praises unto my God while I have any being.

18 Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son
of man, in whom there is no help.

19 His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his
earth ; in that very day his thoughts perish.

20 Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for
his help, whose hope is in the LORD his God :

21 Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and
all that therein is : which keepeth truth for ever :

22 Which executeth judgment for the oppressed :
which giveth food to the hungry. The LORD looseth
the prisoners :

23 The LORD openeth the eyes of the blind : the
LORD raiseth them that are bowed down : the LORD
loveth the righteous :

24 The LORD preserveth the strangers ; he re-
lieveth the fatherless and widow : but the way of the
wicked he turneth upside down.

25 The LORD shall reign for ever, even thy God,
O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the LORD.

Selection 56

PSALM 145

1 I WILL extol thee, my God, O King ; and I
will bless thy name for ever and ever.

2 Every day will I bless thee ; and I will praise
thy name for ever and ever.

Selection 56

3 Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised ;
and his greatness is unsearchable.

4 One generation shall praise thy works to another,
and shall declare thy mighty acts.

5 I will speak of the glorious honor of thy majesty,
and of thy wondrous works.

6 And men shall speak of the might of thy terrible
acts : and I will declare thy greatness.

7 They shall abundantly utter the memory of thy
great goodness, and shall sing of thy righteousness.

8 The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion ;
slow to anger, and of great mercy.

9 The LORD is good to all : and his tender mercies
are over all his works.

10 All thy works shall praise thee, O LORD ; and
thy saints shall bless thee.

11 They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom,
and talk of thy power ;

12 To make known to the sons of men his mighty
acts, and the glorious majesty of his kingdom.

13 Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and
thy dominion endureth throughout all generations.

14 The LORD upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth
up all those that be bowed down.

15 The eyes of all wait upon thee ; and thou
givest them their meat in due season.

16 Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the
desire of every living thing.

17 The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and
holy in all his works.

18 The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon
him, to all that call upon him in truth.

19 He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him :
he also will hear their cry, and will save them.

Selection 57

20 The LORD preserveth all them that love him :
but all the wicked will he destroy.

21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD :
and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and
ever.

Selection 57

PSALM 147

1 PRAISE ye the LORD : for it is good to sing
praises unto our God ; for it is pleasant ; and praise
is comely.

2 The LORD doth build up Jerusalem : he gathereth
together the outcasts of Israel.

3 He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up
their wounds.

4 He telleth the number of the stars ; he calleth
them all by their names.

5 Great is our Lord, and of great power : his
understanding is infinite.

6 The LORD lifteth up the meek : he casteth the
wicked down to the ground.

7 Sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving ; sing
praise upon the harp unto our God :

8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who
prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to
grow upon the mountains.

9 He giveth to the beast his food, and to the
young ravens which cry.

10 He delighteth not in the strength of the horse :
he taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man.

11 The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear
him, in those that hope in his mercy.

12 Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem ; praise thy God,
O Zion.

Selection 58

13 For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates ;
he hath blessed thy children within thee.

14 He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth
thee with the finest of the wheat.

15 He sendeth forth his commandment upon
earth : his word runneth very swiftly.

16 He giveth snow like wool : he scattereth the
hoar frost like ashes.

17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels : who can
stand before his cold ?

18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them :
he causeth his wind to blow, and the waters flow.

19 He showeth his word unto Jacob, his statutes
and his judgments unto Israel.

20 He hath not dealt so with any nation : and as
for his judgments, they have not known them.
Praise ye the LORD.

Selection 58

PSALM 148

1 PRAISE ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from
the heavens : praise him in the heights.

2 Praise ye him, all his angels : praise ye him, all
his hosts.

3 Praise ye him, sun and moon : praise him, all
ye stars of light.

4 Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye
waters that be above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the name of the LORD : for he
commanded, and they were created.

6 He hath also stablished them for ever and ever :
he hath made a decree which shall not pass.

7 Praise the LORD from the earth, ye dragons, and
all deeps :

Selection 58

8 Fire, and hail ; snow, and vapor ; stormy wind fulfilling his word :

9 Mountains, and all hills ; fruitful trees, and all cedars :

10 Beasts, and all cattle ; creeping things, and flying fowl :

11 Kings of the earth, and all people ; princes, and all judges of the earth :

12 Both young men, and maidens ; old men, and children :

13 Let them praise the name of the LORD : for his name alone is excellent ; his glory is above the earth and heaven.

14 He also exalteth the horn of his people, the praise of all his saints ; even of the children of Israel, a people near unto him. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM 149

15 PRAISE ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints.

16 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him : let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

17 Let them praise his name in the dance : let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp.

18 For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people : he will beautify the meek with salvation.

19 Let the saints be joyful in glory : let them sing aloud upon their beds.

20 Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand ;

21 To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people ;

22 To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron ;

Selection 58

23 To execute upon them the judgment written :
this honor have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM 150

24 PRAISE ye the LORD. Praise God in his
sanctuary : praise him in the firmament of his power.

25 Praise him for his mighty acts : praise him
according to his excellent greatness.

26 Praise him with the sound of the trumpet :
praise him with the psaltery and harp.

27 Praise him with the timbrel and dance : praise
him with stringed instruments and organs.

28 Praise him upon the loud cymbals : praise him
upon the high sounding cymbals.

29 Let everything that hath breath praise the
LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

GLORY be to the *Father* | and · to the | Son ||
and | to the | Holy | Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning * is *now*, and | ever |
shall be || *world* without | end · = | A · = | men.

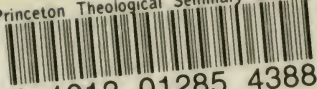
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