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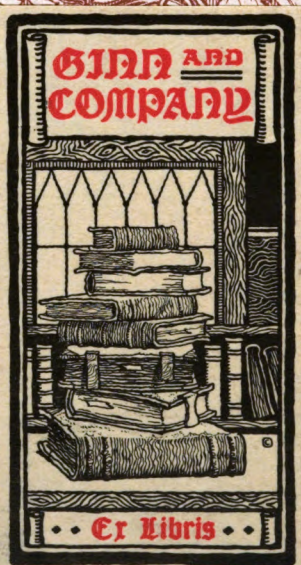


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PREFACE

The aim of this short Psalter is to present the Psalms in such a form that they can be most easily and profitably used for responsive reading in the churches. To this end a few plain rules have been followed.

The imprecatory Psalms, Hebrew titles, and musical terms have been omitted. The best Psalms for public worship have been arranged by subjects, under simple titles, and divided into Fifty-three Portions, one for every possible Lord's day in a year. These portions differ in size, so that the minister may choose a long or a short one according to his discretion or his necessity; or, if he so please, they may be read in order through the year. Psalms LXXXIX and CXIX are given only in part, because of their length. All the others are given entire, without mutilation or mosaic-work; it is pleasanter and easier to read them as they stand in the Bible. The Authorized Version is used; it is the most familiar. The division by verses is followed; it is the best for reading. The print is large and clear, and the verses for the congregation are distinctly marked so that none need err therein.

A simple order of common worship is added to the book; and it is sent out with the hope that it may be useful in helping all the people to praise God with their lips, as well as with their hearts.

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AN ORDER
OF
COMMON WORSHIP

These simple and familiar forms are intended only to supply the materials which may be helpful in common worship. Where several forms are given it is meant that one should be chosen. The singing of hymns by the congregation may be introduced before the Psalter, before and after the Sermon, or at any other fitting time. The whole service may be varied in any way that may help all the people to join in the worship of God.

OPENING SENTENCES

At the beginning of the service one or more of the following sentences of scripture may be read.

OUR help *is* in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

The LORD *is* nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.

He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will save them.

OCOME, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.

For he *is* our God; and we *are* the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

THE hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

God *is* a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.

SE EK ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts:

And let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him:

And to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

IF we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

INVOCATIONS

ALMIGHTY God, who of thy great mercy hast gathered us into thy visible church : grant that we may not swerve from the purity of thy worship ; but so honour thee, both in spirit and in outward forms, that thy name in us may be glorified, and we be, indeed, the members of thine only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hid : cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name: through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD of grace, from whom every good prayer cometh; deliver us, when we draw nigh to thee, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind; that with steadfast thoughts and pure affections, we may worship thee, in spirit and in truth; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY Lord and Everlasting God, whom the heaven of heavens cannot contain, and much less the temples which our hands have builded, but who art ever nigh unto the humble and contrite ; shed down thy Holy Spirit, we beseech thee, on all that are here assembled ; that, being cleansed and illumined by his grace. we may worthily shew forth thy praise, meekly learn thy word, render due thanks for thy mercies, and obtain a gracious answer to our prayers, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD our refuge and our strength, who art the author of all godliness; be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy children ; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

ALMIGHTY God, our Heavenly Father, we confess to Thee, that in many times and ways, by thought, word, and deed, we have exceedingly sinned against Thee; And are no more worthy to be called thy children. But we humbly beseech Thee, O holy and loving Father, of thy great mercy in Christ Jesus our Lord, to forgive us our offences, and henceforth grant us true repentance and newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, most holy and most gracious, we acknowledge before thee our manifold transgressions and our secret sins. Grant unto us that true contrition which leads to a better life, and that perfect pardon which fills the soul with peace through Jesus Christ our Redeemer and Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of mercy, the God of all comfort, who only forgivest sin; Forgive unto us our sins, we humbly beseech thee, that, by the multitude of thy mercies, they may be covered, and not imputed unto us; and that by the operation of thy Holy Ghost, we may have power and strength hereafter to resist sin; through our Saviour and Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS

ALMIGHTY God, our Heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who, with hearty repentance and true faith, turn unto him: Have mercy upon you: Pardon and deliver you from all your sins: Confirm and strengthen you in all goodness: and bring you to everlasting life: through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE PSALTER

A Portion of the Psalms may be sung, or read responsively by the Minister and People, closing with this ascription of praise.

GLORIA PATRI

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. *Amen.*

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

The Minister shall read two lessons, one from the Old Testament and one from the New Testament, and at the end may be sung any Hymn or Anthem that may be appointed.

THE CREED

The Apostles' Creed may be said by the People, standing, with the Minister who may begin with these words :

LORD, increase our faith.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth :

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried, He descended into hell ; The third day he rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty ; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost ; The holy Catholic Church ; The Communion of Saints ; The Forgiveness of sins ; The Resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. *Amen.*

THE GENERAL PRAYER

The Minister shall lead the people in their common prayers, not forgetting : To give thanks for the general and special mercies of God : To pray for all men, particularly the ignorant and sinful : To ask God's blessing for their Rulers : To pray for all pastors and preachers of the Gospel and for the unity, purity and peace of the whole Church of Christ : To make supplication for those who are in trouble or sorrow : To implore the light and guidance of the Holy Spirit for all Christians, and the spread of Christ's Kingdom throughout the world. And the People may join with the Minister, at the end, in

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil : For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

PRAYER AFTER THE SERMON

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words, which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through thy grace be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of thy Name ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking ; We beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities ; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OGOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed ; give unto thy servants that peace, which the world cannot give ; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness ; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OGOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom ; Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies ; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee ; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their request ; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them ; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

MORNING

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

EVENING

LIGHTEN our darkness we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

BENEDICTIONS

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

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First Portion

PSALM XCIII

THE LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed with strength, *wherewith* he hath girded himself: the world also is established, that it cannot be moved.

2 * Thy throne *is* established of old: thou *art* from everlasting.

3 The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves.

4 * The LORD on high *is* mightier than the noise of many waters, *yea, than* the mighty waves of the sea.

5 Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh thine house, O LORD, for ever.

PSALM VIII

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

I

I

2 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.

3 * When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers; the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained;

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

5 * For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.

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

7 * All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field;

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

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

PSALM CXI

1 Praise ye the LORD. I will praise the LORD with *my* whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and *in* the congregation.

2 * The works of the LORD *are* great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

3 His work *is* honourable and glorious: and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 * He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the LORD *is* gracious and full of compassion.

5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he will ever be mindful of his covenant.

6 * He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

7 The works of his hands *are* verity and judgment; all his commandments *are* sure.

8 * They stand fast for ever and ever, *and are* done in truth and uprightness.

9 He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: holy and reverend *is* his name.

10 * 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.

Second Portion

PSALM CIV

1 Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour 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:

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 mountain ; 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.

19 He appointeth 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 to his work and to his labour 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 mayest give *them* their meat in due season.

28 * *That* thou givest them, they gather: thou openest thy 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.

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.

Third Portion

PSALM XCII

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

2 * To shew 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* an unicorn: I shall be anointed with fresh oil.

11 Mine eye also shall see *my desire* on mine 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 shew that the LORD *is* upright: *he is* my rock, and *there is* no unrighteousness in him.

PSALM XCVI

1 * O sing unto the LORD a new song: sing unto the LORD, all the earth.

2 Sing unto the LORD, bless his name ; shew forth his salvation from day to day.

3 * Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people.

4 For the LORD *is* great, and greatly to be praised : he *is* to be feared above all gods.

5 * For all the gods of the nations *are* idols : but the LORD made the heavens.

6 Honour and majesty *are* before him ; strength and beauty *are* in his sanctuary.

7 * Give unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

8 Give unto the LORD the glory *due unto* his name : bring an offering, and come into his courts.

9 * O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness : fear before him, all the earth.

10 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.

11 * Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad ; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof.

12 Let the field be joyful, and all that *is* therein : then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice.

13 * 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.

Fourth Portion

PSALM XCVII

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.

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 CXLVIII

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 established 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 :

8 * Fire, and hail ; snow, and vapour : 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.

Fifth Portion

PSALM XXIX

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.

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 XXIV

1 * The earth *is* the LORD's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

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

3 * Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? and who shall stand in his holy place?

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

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

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

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

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

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

10 Who *is* this King of glory? the LORD of hosts, he *is* the King of glory.

PSALM CL

1 * Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary : praise him in the firmament of his power.

2 Praise him for his mighty acts : praise him according to his excellent greatness.

3 * Praise him with the sound of the trumpet : praise him with the psaltery and harp.

4 Praise him with the timbrel and dance : praise him with stringed instruments and organs.

5 * Praise him upon the loud cymbals : praise him upon the high-sounding cymbals.

6 Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

Sixth Portion

PSALM XIX

1 The heavens declare the glory of God ; and the firmament sheweth his handy-work.

2 * Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.

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

4 * 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,

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

6 * 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.

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

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

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

10 * More to be desired *are they* than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honey-comb.

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

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

13 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous *sins*; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

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

PSALM CXXXIX

1 O LORD; thou has searched me, and known *me*.

2 * Thou knowest my down-sitting and

mine up-rising, 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 thy 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?

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 For thou hast possessed my reins; thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.

14 * I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous *are* thy works; and *that* my soul knoweth right well.

15 My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest part of the earth.

16 * 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.

17 How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!

18 * *If* I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee.

19 Surely thou wilt slay the wicked, O God: depart from me therefore, ye bloody men.

20 * For they speak against thee wickedly, and thine enemies take *thy name* in vain.

21 Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee? and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee?

22 * I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies.

23 Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:

24 * And see if *there be any* wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Seventh Portion

PSALM CVII

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 labour; 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.

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.

23 They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters ;

24 * These see the works of the LORD, and his wonders in the deep.

25 For he commandeth, and raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth up the waves thereof.

26 * They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths ; their soul is melted because of trouble.

27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wit's end.

28 * Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he bringeth them out of their distresses.

29 He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still.

30 * Then are they glad because they be quiet ; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven.

31 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men !

32 * Let them exalt him also in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

33 He turneth rivers into a wilderness, and the water-springs into dry ground ;

34 * A fruitful land into barrenness, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.

35 He turneth the wilderness into a standing water, and dry ground into water-springs.

36 * And there he maketh the hungry to dwell, that they may prepare a city for habitation ;

37 And sow the fields, and plant vineyards, which may yield fruits of increase.

38 * He blesseth them also, so that they are multiplied greatly ; and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

39 Again, they are minished and brought low through oppression, affliction, and sorrow.

40 * He poureth contempt upon princes, and causeth them to wander in the wilderness, *where there is no way.*

41 Yet setteth he the poor on high from affliction, and maketh *him* families like a flock.

42 * The righteous shall see *it*, and rejoice : and all iniquity shall stop her mouth.

43 Whoso *is* wise, and will observe these *things*, even they shall understand the loving-kindness of the LORD.

Eighth Portion

PSALM LXV

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

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

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

4 * Blessed *is the man whom* thou choosest, 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.

5 *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 :

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

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

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

9 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.

10 * Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly : thou settlest the furrows thereof : thou makest it soft with showers : thou blestest the springing thereof.

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

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

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

PSALM CLXV

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.

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 honour 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 thy 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.

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.

Ninth Portion

PSALM CXIII

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?

7 He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, *and* lifteth the needy out of the dunghill ;

8 * That he may set *him* with princes, *even* with the princes of his people.

9 He maketh the barren woman to keep house, *and to be* a joyful mother of children. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM XXXIV

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.

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 light-
ened : 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 hear-eth, 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.

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.

Tenth Portion

PSALM XXXIII

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 store-houses.

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.

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.

PSALM CXLVI

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

2 * While I live will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.

3 Put not your trust in princes, *nor* in the son of man, in whom *there is* no help.

4 * His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.

5 Happy *is he* that *hath* the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope *is* in the LORD his God:

6 * Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein *is*: which keepeth truth for ever:

7 Which executeth judgment for the oppressed; which giveth food to the hungry. The LORD looseth the prisoners:

8 * The LORD openeth *the eyes of* the blind: the LORD raiseth them that are bowed down: the LORD loveth the righteous:

9 The LORD preserveth the strangers; he relieveth the fatherless and widow: but the way of the wicked he turneth upside down.

10 * The LORD shall reign for ever, *even* thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM CXVII

1 O praise the LORD, all ye nations; praise him, all ye people.

2 * For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the LORD *endureth* for ever. Praise ye the LORD.

Eleventh Portion

PSALM LXVI

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

2 * Sing forth the honour 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 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 laidest 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 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.

PSALM CXXXVIII

1 I will praise thee with my whole heart :
before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

2 * 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.

3 In the day when I cried thou answeredst
me, *and* strengthenedst me *with* strength in
my soul.

4 * All the kings of the earth shall praise
thee, O LORD, when they hear the words of
thy mouth.

5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the
LORD : for great *is* the glory of the LORD.

6 * Though the LORD *be* high, yet hath he
respect unto the lowly : but the proud he
knoweth afar off.

7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
thou wilt revive me : thou shalt stretch forth
thy hand against the wrath of mine enemies,
and thy right hand shall save me.

8 * The LORD will perfect *that which* con-
cerneth me : thy mercy, O LORD, *endureth* for
ever : forsake not the works of thine own
hands.

Twelfth Portion

PSALM XCV

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.

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 XXXVI

1 * The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, *that there is* no fear of God before his eyes.

2 For he flattereth himself in his own eyes, until his iniquity be found to be hateful.

3 * The words of his mouth *are* iniquity and deceit: he hath left off to be wise, *and* to do good.

4 He deviseth mischief upon his bed; he setteth himself in a way *that is* not good; he abhorreth not evil.

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

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

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

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

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

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

PSALM XCIX

1 * The LORD reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth *between* the cherubim; let the earth be moved.

2 The LORD *is* great in Zion; and he *is* high above all the people.

3 * Let them praise thy great and terrible name; *for* it *is* holy.

4 The king's strength also loveth judgment ; thou dost establish equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.

5 * Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his footstool ; *for he is holy.*

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among them that call upon his name ; they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

7 * He spake unto them in the cloudy pillar : they kept his testimonies, and the ordinance *that* he gave them.

8 Thou answeredst them, O LORD our God : thou wast a God that forgavest them, though thou tookest vengeance of their inventions.

9 * Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy hill ; for the LORD our God *is* holy.

Thirteenth Portion

PSALM CXXXV

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the name of the LORD : praise *him*, O ye servants of the LORD.

2 * Ye that stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God,

3 Praise the LORD ; for the LORD *is* good ; sing praises unto his name ; for *it is* pleasant.

4 * For the LORD hath chosen Jacob unto himself, *and* Israel for his peculiar treasure.

5 For I know that the LORD *is* great, and *that* our Lord *is* above all gods.

6 * Whatsoever the LORD pleased, *that* did he in heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and all deep places.

7 He causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; he maketh lightnings for the rain; he bringeth the wind out of his treasures:

8 * Who smote the first-born of Egypt, both of man and beast:

9 *Who* sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his servants:

10 * Who smote great nations, and slew mighty kings;

11 Sihon king of the Amorites, and Og king of Bashan, and all the kingdoms of Canaan:

12 * And gave their land *for* a heritage, a heritage unto Israel his people.

13 Thy name, O LORD, *endureth* for ever; *and* thy memorial, O LORD, throughout all generations.

14 * For the LORD will judge his people, and he will repent himself concerning his servants.

15 The idols of the heathen *are* silver and gold, the work of men's hands.

16 * They have mouths, but they speak not; eyes have they, but they see not;

17 They have ears, but they hear not; neither is there *any* breath in their mouths.

18 * They that make them are like unto them: *so is* every one that trusteth in them.

19 Bless the LORD, O house of Israel : bless the LORD, O house of Aaron :

20 * Bless the LORD, O house of Levi : ye that fear the LORD, bless the LORD.

21 Blessed be the LORD out of Zion, which dwelleth at Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM XCVIII

1 * 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.

2 The LORD hath made known his salvation : his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

3 * 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.

4 Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth : make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise.

5 * Sing unto the LORD with the harp ; with the harp, and the voice of a psalm.

6 With trumpets and sound of cornet make a joyful noise before the LORD, the King.

7 * Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof ; the world, and they that dwell therein.

8 Let the floods clap *their* hands : let the hills be joyful together

9 * Before the LORD ; for he cometh to judge the earth : with righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

Fourteenth Portion

PSALM CXVIII

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.

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 shewed us light : 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.

Fifteenth Portion

PSALM CXLIV

1 Blessed *be* the LORD my strength, which teacheth my hands to war, *and* my fingers to fight ;

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 thy 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 labour, *that there be* no breaking in, nor going out ; *that there be* no complaining in our streets.

15 Happy *is that* people, that is in such a case : *yea*, happy *is that* people, whose God *is* the LORD.

PSALM LXVII

1 * God be merciful unto us, and bless us ; *and* cause his face to shine upon us.

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

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

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

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

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

7 * God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

PSALM C

1 Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.

2 * Serve the LORD with gladness : come before his presence with singing.

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.

Sixteenth Portion

PSALM CXLVII

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 understaning *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.

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 sheweth 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.

PSALM XLVII

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 Abra-
ham : for the shields of the earth *belong* unto
God : he is greatly exalted.

Seventeenth Portion

PSALM CXXXVI

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.

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 * To him that smote Egypt in their first-born : for his mercy *endureth* for ever :

11 And brought out Israel from among them : for his mercy *endureth* forever :

12 * With a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm : for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

13 To him which divided the Red sea into parts : for his mercy *endureth* for ever ;

14 * And made Israel to pass through the midst of it: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

15 But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

16 * To him which led his people through the wilderness: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

17 To him which smote great kings: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

18 * And slew famous kings: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

19 Sihon king of the Amorites: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

20 * And Og the king of Bashan: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

21 And gave their land for a heritage: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

22 * *Even* a heritage unto Israel his servant: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

23 Who remembered us in our low estate: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

24 * And hath redeemed us from our enemies: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

25 Who giveth food to all flesh: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

26 * O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

PSALM CXLIX

1 Praise ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, *and* his praise in the congregation of saints.

2 * Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

3 Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp.

4 * For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation.

Eighteenth Portion

PSALM CIII

1 Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, *ble*ss his holy name.

2 * Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

4 * Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies;

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good *things*; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

6 * The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.

7 He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.

8 * The LORD *is* merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

9 He will not always chide: neither will he keep *his anger* for ever.

10 * He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

11 For as the heaven is high above the earth, *so* great is his mercy toward them that fear him.

12 * As far as the east is from the west, *so* far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

13 Like as a father pitieth *his* children, *so* the LORD pitieth them that fear him.

14 * For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we *are* dust.

15 *As for* man, his days *are* as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.

16 * For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17 But the mercy of the LORD *is* from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children;

18 * To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.

19 The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all.

20 * Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.

21 Bless ye the LORD, all *ye* his hosts; *ye* ministers of his, that do his pleasure.

22 * Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion : bless the LORD, O my soul.

Nineteenth Portion

PSALM CX

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 II

1 * Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing ?

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

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

4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the LORD shall have them in derision.

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

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

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

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

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

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

11 * Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

12 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.

Twentieth Portion

PSALM XLV

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 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 honourable 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 favour.

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.

Twenty-first Portion

PSALM LXXII

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.

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.

20 * The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended.

Twenty-second Portion

PSALM LXXXIX

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.

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 favour 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.

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* first-born, 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.

Twenty-third Portion

PSALM LXXXIV

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 an 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*.

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 door-keeper 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 CXXII

1 I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.

2 * Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together :

4 * Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the LORD.

5 For there are set thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.

6 * Pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee.

7 Peace be within thy walls, *and* prosperity within thy palaces.

8 * For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will now say, Peace *be* within thee.

9 Because of the house of the LORD our God I will seek thy good.

PSALM CXXXIII

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 ;

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.

Twenty-fourth Portion

PSALM XLVIII

1 Great *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, *in* the mountain of his holiness.

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

3 God is known in her palaces for a refuge.

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

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

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

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

8 * 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

PSALM XLVI

1 God *is* our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

9 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.

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

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

Twenty-fifth Portion

PSALM LXXX

1 Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest 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 neighbours ; 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 ?

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* burnt 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.

PSALM CXXXII

1 * LORD, remember David, *and* all his afflictions :

2 How he sware unto the LORD, *and* vowed unto the mighty *God* of Jacob ;

3 * Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house, nor go up into my bed ;

4 I will not give sleep to mine eyes, *or* slumber to mine eyelids,

5 * Until I find out a place for the LORD, an habitation for the mighty *God* of Jacob.

6 Lo, we heard of it at Ephratah : we found it in the fields of the wood.

7 * We will go into his tabernacles : we will worship at his footstool.

8 Arise, O LORD, into thy rest ; thou, and the ark of thy strength.

9 * Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness ; and let thy saints shout for joy.

10 For thy servant David's sake turn not away the face of thine anointed.

11 * 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.

12 If thy children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I shall teach them ; their children also shall sit upon thy throne for evermore.

13 * For the LORD hath chosen Zion ; he hath desired *it* for his habitation.

14 This *is* my rest for ever : here will I dwell ; for I have desired it.

15 * I will abundantly bless her provision : I will satisfy her poor with bread.

16 I will also clothe her priests with salvation, and her saints shall shout aloud for joy.

17 * There will I make the horn of David to bud: I have ordained a lamp for mine anointed.

18 His enemies will I clothe with shame: but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

Twenty-sixth Portion

PSALM CXIX

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 my 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.

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.

Twenty-seventh Portion

PSALM CXIX

89 For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.

90 * Thy faithfulness *is* unto all generations: thou hast established the earth, and it abideth.

91 They continue this day according to thine ordinances: for all *are* thy servants.

92 * Unless thy law *had been* my delights, I should then have perished in mine affliction.

93 I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast quickened me.

94 * I *am* thine, save me; for I have sought thy precepts.

95 The wicked have waited for me to destroy me: *but* I will consider thy testimonies.

96 * I have seen an end of all perfection: *but* thy commandment *is* exceeding broad.

97 Oh how love I thy law! it *is* my meditation all the day.

98 * Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they *are* ever with me.

99 I have more understanding than all my teachers: for thy testimonies *are* my meditation.

100 * I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts.

101 I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.

102 * I have not departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught me.

103 How sweet are thy words unto my taste! *yea, sweeter* than honey to my mouth.

104 * Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.

105 Thy word *is* a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

106 * I have sworn, and I will perform *it*, that I will keep thy righteous judgments.

107 I am afflicted very much: quicken me, O LORD, according unto thy word.

108 * Accept, I beseech thee, the free-will-offerings of my mouth, O LORD, and teach me thy judgments.

109 My soul *is* continually in my hand: yet do I not forget thy law.

110 * The wicked have laid a snare for me: yet I erred not from thy precepts.

111 Thy testimonies have I taken as an heritage for ever: for they *are* the rejoicing of my heart.

112 * I have inclined mine heart to perform thy statutes always, *even unto* the end.

Twenty-eighth Portion

PSALM LI

1 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving-kindness: 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 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 blood-guiltiness, 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 shew 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.

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.

PSALM CXXX

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.

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* plentiful redemption.

8 And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Twenty-ninth Portion

PSALM XXXIX

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.

4 * LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it *is*; *that* I may now 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 shew: 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 so-
journer, as all my fathers *were*.

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

PSALM XXXII

1 * Blessed *is he whose* transgression *is* for-
given, *whose sin is* covered.

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

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

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

5 * 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.

6 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.

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

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

9 * Be ye not as the horse, *or* as the mule, *which* have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.

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

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

Thirtieth Portion

PSALM XXV

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 * Shew 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 shew them his covenant.

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.

PSALM LXXXV

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

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

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

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

5 Wilt thou be angry with us for ever ? wilt
thou draw out thine anger to all genera-
tions ?

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

7 Shew us thy mercy, O LORD, and grant
us thy salvation.

8 * 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.

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

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

11 Truth shall spring out of the earth ; and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

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

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

Thirty-first Portion

PSALM CXLIII

1 Hear my prayer, O LORD, give ear to my supplications : in thy faithfulness answer me, *and* in thy righteousness.

2 * And enter not into judgment with thy servant : for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

3 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.

4 * Therefore is my spirit overwhelmed within me ; my heart within me is desolate.

5 I remember the days of old ; I meditate on all thy works ; I muse on the work of thy hands.

6 * I stretch forth my hands unto thee : my soul *thirsteth* after thee, as a thirsty land.

7 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.

8 * 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.

9 Deliver me, O LORD, from mine enemies : I flee unto thee to hide me.

10 * Teach me to do thy will ; for thou *art* my God : thy Spirit *is* good ; lead me into the land of uprightness.

11 Quicken me, O LORD, for thy name's sake : for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

PSALM CXVI

1 * I love the LORD, because he hath heard my voice *and* my supplications.

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.

19 * In the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.

Thirty-second Portion

PSALM CXLII

1 I cried unto the LORD with my voice;
with my voice unto the LORD did I make my
supplication.

2 * I poured out my complaint before him;
I shewed before him my trouble.

3 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.

4 * 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.

5 I cried unto thee, O LORD: I said, Thou
art my refuge *and* my portion in the land of
the living.

6 * Attend unto my cry; for I am brought
very low: deliver me from my persecutors;
for they are stronger than I.

7 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.

PSALM XXXI

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

6 I have hated them that regard lying vanities: but I trust in the LORD.

7 * I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast known my soul in adversities;

8 And hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a large room.

9 * Have mercy upon me, O LORD, for I am in trouble: mine eye is consumed with grief, *yea*, my soul and my belly.

10 For my life is spent with grief, and my years with sighing: my strength faileth because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.

11 * I was a reproach among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours, and a fear to mine acquaintance: they that did see me without fled from me.

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

13 * For I have heard the slander of many: fear *was* on every side: while they took counsel together against me, they devised to take away my life.

14 But I trusted in thee, O LORD: I said, Thou *art* my God.

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

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

17 * Let me not be ashamed, O LORD; for I have called upon thee: let the wicked be ashamed, *and* let them be silent in the grave.

18 Let the lying lips be put to silence; which speak grievous things proudly and contemptuously against the righteous.

19 * *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!

20 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.

21 * Blessed *be* the LORD: for he hath shewed me his marvellous kindness in a strong city.

22 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.

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

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

Thirty-third Portion

PSALM LXXXVI

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 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 way, 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, long-suffering, 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 Shew 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 XL

1 * I waited patiently for the LORD ; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

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

3 * And he hath put a new song in my mouth, *even* praise unto our God: many shall see *it*, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.

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

5 * Many, O LORD my God, *are* thy wonderful works *which* thou hast done, and thy thoughts *which are* to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: *if* I would declare and speak *of them*, they are more than can be numbered.

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

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

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

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

10 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.

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

12 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 my head: therefore my heart faileth me.

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

14 Let them be ashamed and confounded together that seek after my soul to destroy it; let them be driven backward and put to shame that wish me evil.

15 * Let them be desolate for a reward of their shame that say unto me, Aha, aha.

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

17 * 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.

Thirty-fourth Portion

PSALM VI

1 O LORD, rebuke me not in thine anger, neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.

2 * Have mercy upon me, O LORD; for I *am* weak: O LORD, heal me; for my bones are vexed.

3 My soul is also sore vexed: but thou, O LORD, how long?

4 * Return, O LORD, deliver my soul: oh save me for thy mercies' sake!

5 For in death *there is* no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall give thee thanks?

6 * I am weary with my groaning; all the night make I my bed to swim; I water my couch with my tears.

7 Mine eye is consumed because of grief; it waxeth old because of all mine enemies.

8 * Depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity; for the LORD hath heard the voice of my weeping.

9 The LORD hath heard my supplication; the LORD will receive my prayer.

PSALM XIII

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 XX

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.

Thirty-fifth Portion

PSALM LXXVII

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.

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 favourable 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.

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.

PSALM LX

1 O God, thou hast cast us off, thou hast scattered us, thou hast been displeased; O turn thyself to us again.

2 * Thou hast made the earth to tremble; thou hast broken it: heal the breaches thereof; for it shaketh.

3 Thou hast shewed thy people hard things: thou hast made us to drink the wine of astonishment.

4 * Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth.

5 That thy beloved may be delivered; save *with* thy right hand, and hear me.

6 * God hath spoken in his holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

7 Gilead *is* mine, and Manasseh *is* mine ;
Ephraim also *is* the strength of mine head ;
Judah *is* my lawgiver ;

8 * Moab *is* my washpot ; over Edom will
I cast out my shoe : Philistia, triumph thou
because of me.

9 Who will bring me *into* the strong city ?
who will lead me into Edom ?

10 * *Wilt* not thou, O God, *which* hadst
cast us off ? and *thou*, O God, *which* didst not
go out with our armies ?

11 Give us help from trouble : for vain *is*
the help of man.

12 * Through God we shall do valiantly :
for he *it is that* shall tread down our enemies.

Thirty-sixth Portion

PSALM III

1 LORD, how are they increased that trouble
me ? many *are* they that rise up against me.

2 * Many *there be* which say of my soul,
There is no help for him in God.

3 But thou, O LORD, *art* a shield for me ;
my glory, and the lifter up of mine head.

4 * I cried unto the LORD with my voice,
and he heard me out of his holy hill.

5 I laid me down and slept ; I awaked ; for
the LORD sustained me.

6 * I will not be afraid of ten thousands of
people, that have set *themselves* against me
round about.

7 Arise; O LORD; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies *upon* the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.

8 * Salvation *belongeth* unto the LORD: thy blessing *is* upon thy people.

PSALM XXX

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

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

3 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

11 Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing : thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness ;

12 * 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.

Thirty-seventh Portion

PSALM XIV

1 The fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, *there is* none that doeth good.

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

3 They are all gone aside, they are *all* together become filthy : *there is* none that doeth good, no, not one.

4 * Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge ? who eat up my people *as* they eat bread, and call not upon the LORD.

5 There were they in great fear : for God *is* in the generation of the righteous.

6 * Ye have shamed the counsel of the poor, because the LORD *is* his refuge.

7 Oh that the salvation of Israel *were come* out of Zion ! when the LORD bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, *and* Israel shall be glad.

PSALM IV

1 * 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Thirty-eighth Portion

PSALM CXXIII

1 Unto thee lift I up mine eyes, O thou that dwellest in the heavens.

2 * 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.

3 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us : for we are exceedingly filled with contempt.

4 * Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scorning of those that are at ease, *and* with the contempt of the proud.

PSALM CXXIV

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 CXXVI

1 When the LORD turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream.

2 * 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.

3 The LORD hath done great things for us ; *whereof* we are glad.

4 * Turn again our captivity, O LORD, as the streams in the south.

5 They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.

6 * He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves *with him*.

Thirty-ninth Portion

PSALM CII

1 Hear my prayer, O LORD, and let my cry come unto thee.

2 * Hide not thy face from me in the day *when* I am in trouble ; incline thine ear unto me : in the day *when* I call, answer me speedily.

3 For my days are consumed like smoke, and my bones are burned as an hearth.

4 * My heart is smitten, and withered like grass ; so that I forget to eat my bread.

5 By reason of the voice of my groaning my bones cleave to my skin.

6 * I am like a pelican of the wilderness : I am like an owl of the desert.

7 I watch, and am as a sparrow alone upon the house-top.

8 * Mine enemies reproach me all the day ; *and* they that are mad against me are sworn against me.

9 For I have eaten ashes like bread, and mingled my drink with weeping,

10 * Because of thine indignation and thy wrath : for thou hast lifted me up, and cast me down.

11 My days *are* like a shadow that declineth ; and I am withered like grass.

12 * But thou, O LORD, shalt endure for ever ; and thy remembrance unto all generations.

13 Thou shalt arise, *and* have mercy upon Zion : for the time to favour her, yea, the set time, is come.

14 * For thy servants take pleasure in her stones, and favour the dust thereof.

15 So the heathen shall fear the name of the LORD : and all the kings of the earth thy glory.

16 * When the LORD shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory.

17 He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer.

18 * This shall be written for the generation to come : and the people which shall be created shall praise the LORD.

19 For he hath looked down from the height of his sanctuary ; from heaven did the LORD behold the earth ;

20 * To hear the groaning of the prisoner ; to loose those that are appointed to death ;

21 To declare the name of the LORD in Zion, and his praise in Jerusalem ;

22 * When the people are gathered together, and the kingdoms, to serve the LORD.

23 He weakened my strength in the way ; he shortened my days.

24 * I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of my days : thy years *are* throughout all generations.

25 Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth : and the heavens *are* the work of thy hands.

26 * They shall perish, but thou shalt endure : yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment ; as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed :

27 But thou *art* the same, and thy years shall have no end.

28 * The children of thy servants shall continue, and their seed shall be established before thee.

Fortieth Portion

PSALM XC

I 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.

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

Forty-first Portion

PSALM XVII

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 *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 Shew 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 * They are inclosed in their own fat: with their mouth they speak proudly.

11 They have now compassed us in our steps: they have set their eyes bowing down to the earth;

12 * Like as a lion *that* is greedy of his prey, and as it were a young lion lurking in secret places.

13 Arise, O LORD, disappoint him, cast him down: deliver my soul from the wicked, *which* is thy sword:

14 * From men *which* are thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, *which* have their portion in *this* life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid *treasure*: they are full of children, and leave the rest of their *substance* to their babes.

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

PSALM XVI

1 * Preserve me, O God : for in thee do I put my trust.

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

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

4 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Forty-second Portion

PSALM XLIII

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

2 * 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 ?

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

4 * 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.

5 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 CXXXI

1 * 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.

2 Surely I have behaved and quieted myself, as a child that is weaned of his mother : my soul *is* even as a weaned child.

3 * Let Israel hope in the LORD from henceforth and for ever.

PSALM XXVII

1 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 ?

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

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

4 * 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.

5 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.

6 * 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.

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

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

9 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.

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

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

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

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

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

Forty-third Portion

PSALM XLII

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 water-spouts: all thy waves and thy billows are gone over me.

8 * *Yet* the LORD will command his loving-kindness in the day-time, 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 LVII

1 * 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.

2 I will cry unto God Most High; unto God that performeth *all things* for me.

3 * 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.

4 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.

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

6 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*.

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

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

9 * I will praise thee, O LORD, among the people: I will sing unto thee among the nations.

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

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

Forty-fourth Portion

PSALM CXXV

1 They that trust in the LORD *shall be* as mount Zion, *which* cannot be removed, *but* abideth for ever.

2 * *As* the mountains *are* round about Jerusalem, so the LORD *is* round about his people from henceforth even for ever.

3 For the rod of the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous ; lest the righteous put forth their hands unto iniquity.

4 * Do good, O LORD, unto *those that be* good, and to *them that are* upright in their hearts.

5 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.

PSALM XCI

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 noon-day.

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.

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 honour him.

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

Forty-fifth Portion

PSALM LXI

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, has 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 CXV

1 Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, *and* for thy truth's sake.

2 * Wherefore should the heathen say, Where *is* now their God?

3 But our God *is* in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he pleased.

4 * Their idols *are* silver and gold, the work of men's hands.

5 They have mouths, but they speak not; eyes have they, but they see not:

6 * They have ears, but they hear not; noses have they, but they smell not:

7 They have hands, but they handle not; feet have they, but they walk not: neither speak they through their throat.

8 * They that make them are like unto them; *so is* every one that trusteth in them.

9 O Israel, trust thou in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.

10 * O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.

11 Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.

12 * 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.

13 He will bless them that fear the LORD, *both* small and great.

14 * The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

15 Ye *are* blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth.

16 * The heaven, *even* the heavens, *are* the LORD's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.

17 The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence.

18 * But we will bless the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. Praise the LORD.

Forty-sixth Portion

PSALM LXIII

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.

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 LXII

1 * Truly my soul waiteth upon God : from him *cometh* my salvation.

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

3 * How long will ye imagine mischief against a man ? ye shall be slain all of you : as a bowing wall *shall ye be, and as* a tottering fence.

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

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

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

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

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

9 * 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.

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

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

12 Also unto thee, O LORD, *belongeth* mercy: for thou renderest to every man according to his work.

Forty-seventh Portion

PSALM LXXIII

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.

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.

27 For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish : thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee.

28 * But *it is* good for me to draw near to God : I have put my trust in the LORD GOD, that I may declare all thy works.

Forty-eighth Portion

PSALM CXX

1 In my distress I cried unto the LORD, and he heard me.

2 * Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying lips, *and* from a deceitful tongue.

3 What shall be given unto thee ? or what shall be done unto thee, thou false tongue ?

4 * Sharp arrows of the mighty, with coals of juniper.

5 Wo is me, that I sojourn in Mesech, *that* I dwell in the tents of Kedar !

6 * My soul hath long dwelt with him that hateth peace.

7 I *am for* peace : but when I speak, they *are* for war.

PSALM CXXI

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.

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 XXIII

1 * The LORD *is* my shepherd ; I shall not
want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in green past-
ures : he leadeth me beside the still waters.

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

4 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.

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

6 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.

Forty-ninth Portion

PSALM I

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 XXVI

1 Judge me, O LORD; for I have walked in mine integrity: I have trusted also in the LORD; *therefore* I shall not slide.

2 * Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my reins and my heart.

3 For thy loving-kindness *is* before mine eyes: and I have walked in thy truth.

4 * I have not sat with vain persons, neither will I go in with dissemblers.

5 I have hated the congregation of evil doers; and will not sit with the wicked.

6 * I will wash my hands in innocency: so will I compass thine altar, O LORD:

7 That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works.

8 * LORD, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth.

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

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

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

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

Fiftieth Portion

PSALM XXXVII

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 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 noon-day.

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 * For yet a little while, and the wicked *shall* not *be*: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it *shall* not *be*.

11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

12 * The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.

13 The LORD shall laugh at him: for he seeth that his day is coming.

14 * The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, *and* to slay such as be of upright conversation.

15 Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows shall be broken.

16 * A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked.

17 For the arms of the wicked shall be broken : but the LORD upholdeth the righteous.

18 * The LORD knoweth the days of the upright : and their inheritance shall be for ever.

19 They shall not be ashamed in the evil time : and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.

20 * But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the LORD *shall be* as the fat of lambs : they shall consume ; into smoke shall they consume away.

21 The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again : but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth.

22 * For *such as be* blessed of him shall inherit the earth ; and *they that be* cursed of him shall be cut off.

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

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

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

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

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

28 * 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.

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

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

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

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

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

34 * 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*.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Fifty-first Portion

PSALM CI

1 I will sing of mercy and judgment : unto thee, O LORD, will I sing.

2 * I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart.

3 I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; *it* shall not cleave to me.

4 * A froward heart shall depart from me: I will not know a wicked *person*.

5 Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off : him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer.

6 * Mine eyes *shall be* upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me : he that walketh in a perfect way, he shall serve me.

7 He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house : he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.

8 * I will early destroy all the wicked of the land ; that I may cut off all wicked doers from the city of the LORD.

PSALM XLI

1 Blessed *is* he that considereth the poor : the LORD will deliver him in time of trouble.

2 * The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive ; *and* he shall be blessed upon the earth : and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies.

3 The LORD will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing : thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness.

4 * I said, LORD, be merciful unto me : heal my soul ; for I have sinned against thee.

5 Mine enemies speak evil of me, When shall he die, and his name perish ?

6 * And if he come to see *me*, he speaketh vanity : his heart gathereth iniquity to itself ; *when* he goeth abroad, he telleth *it*.

7 All that hate me whisper together against me : against me do they devise my hurt.

8 * An evil disease, *say they*, cleaveth fast unto him : and *now* that he lieth he shall rise up no more.

9 Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up *his* heel against me.

10 * But thou, O LORD, be merciful unto me, and raise me up, that I may requite them.

11 By this I know that thou favorest me, because mine enemy doth not triumph over me.

12 * And as for me, thou upholdest me in mine integrity, and settest me before thy face for ever.

13 Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel from everlasting, and to everlasting. Amen, and Amen.

Fifty-second Portion

PSALM LXXXI

1 Sing aloud unto God our strength : make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob.

2 * Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery.

3 Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day.

4 * For this *was* a statute for Israel, *and* a law of the God of Jacob.

5 This he ordained in Joseph *for* a testimony, when he went out through the land of Egypt · *where* I heard a language *that* I understood not.

6 * I removed his shoulder from the burden : his hands were delivered from the pots.

7 Thou calledst in trouble, and I delivered thee ; I answered thee in the secret place of thunder : I proved thee at the waters of Meribah.

8 * Hear, O my people, and I will testify unto thee : O Israel, if thou wilt hearken unto me ;

9 There shall no strange god be in thee ; neither shalt thou worship any strange god.

10 * I *am* the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt : open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.

11 But my people would not hearken to my voice ; and Israel would none of me.

12 * So I gave them up unto their own hearts' lust: *and* they walked in their own counsels.

13 Oh that my people had hearkened unto me, *and* Israel had walked in my ways!

14 * I should soon have subdued their enemies, and turned my hand against their adversaries.

15 The haters of the LORD should have submitted themselves unto him: but their time should have endured for ever.

16 * He should have fed them also with the finest of the wheat: and with honey out of the rock should I have satisfied thee.

PSALM L

1 The mighty God, *even* the LORD, hath spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.

2 * Out of Zion. the perfection of beauty, God hath shined.

3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him.

4 * He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people.

5 Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice.

6 * And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God *is* judge himself.

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak ; O Israel, and I will testify against thee : I *am* God, *even* thy God.

8 * I will not reprove thee for thy sacrifices or thy burnt offerings, *to have been* continually before me.

9 I will take no bullock out of thy house, *nor* he goats out of thy folds :

10 * For every beast of the forest *is* mine, *and* the cattle upon a thousand hills.

11 I know all the fowls of the mountains : and the wild beasts of the field *are* mine.

12 * If I were hungry, I would not tell thee : for the world *is* mine, and the fulness thereof.

13 Will I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats ?

14 * Offer unto God thanksgiving ; and pay thy vows unto the Most High :

15 And call upon me in the day of trouble : I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

16 * But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare my statutes, or *that* thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth ?

17 Seeing thou hatest instruction, and castest my words behind thee.

18 * When thou sawest a thief, then thou consentedst with him, and hast been partaker with adulterers.

19 Thou givest thy mouth to evil, and thy tongue frameth deceit.

20 * Thou sittest *and* speakest against thy brother; thou slanderest thine own mother's son.

21 These *things* hast thou done, and I kept silence; thou thoughtest that I was altogether *such a one* as thyself: *but* I will reprove thee, and set *them* in order before thine eyes.

22 * Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear *you* in pieces, and *there be* none to deliver.

23 Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him that ordereth *his* conversation *aright* will I shew the salvation of God.

Fifty-third Portion

PSALM CXII

1 Praise ye the LORD. Blessed *is* the man *that* feareth the LORD, *that* delighteth greatly in his commandments.

2 * His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches *shall be* in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 * Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: *he is* gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

5 A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion.

6 * Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.

7 He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD.

8 † His heart *is* established, he shall not be afraid, until he see *his desire* upon his enemies.

9 He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness endureth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.

10 † The wicked shall see *it*, and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.

PSALM XV

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

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

3 *He that* backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.

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

5 *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 CXXVIII

1 † Blessed *is* every one that feareth the LORD; that walketh in his ways.

2 For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy *shalt* thou *be*, and *it shall be* well with thee.

3 * Thy wife *shall be* as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive-plants round about thy table.

4 Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the LORD.

5 * The LORD shall bless thee out of Zion: and thou shalt see the good of Jerusalem all the days of thy life.

6 Yea, thou shalt see thy children's children, *and* peace upon Israel.

PSALM CXXXIV

1 * Behold, bless ye the LORD, all *ye* servants of the LORD, which by night stand in the house of the LORD.

2 Lift up your hands *in* the sanctuary, and bless the LORD.

3 * The LORD that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.

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