

**7** That I may hear the voice of thy praise: and tell of all thy wondrous works.

**8** I have loved, O Lord, the beauty of thy house; and the place where thy glory dwelleth.

**9** Take not away my soul, O God, with the wicked: nor my life with bloody men:

**10** In whose hands are iniquities: their right hand is filled with gifts.

**11** But as for me, I have walked in my innocence: redeem me, and have mercy on me.

**12** My foot hath stood in the direct way: in the churches I will bless thee, O Lord.

## Chapter 26

The psalm of David before he was anointed. The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear? The Lord is the protector of my life: of whom shall I be afraid?

**2** Whilst the wicked draw near against me, to eat my flesh. My enemies that trouble me, have themselves been weakened, and have fallen.

**3** If armies in camp should stand to gether against me, my heart shall not fear. If a battle should rise up against me, in this will I be confident.

**4** One thing I have asked of the Lord, this will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. That I may see the delight of the Lord, and may visit his temple.

**5** For he hath hidden me in his tabernacle; in the day of evils, he hath protected me in the secret place of his tabernacle.

**6** He hath exalted me upon a rock: and now he hath lifted up my head above my enemies. I have gone round, and have offered up in his tabernacle a sacrifice of jubilation: I will sing, and recite a psalm to the Lord.

**7** Hear, O Lord, my voice, with which I have cried to thee: have mercy on me and hear me.

**8** My heart hath said to thee: My face hath sought thee: thy face, O Lord, will I still seek.

**9** Turn not away thy face from me; decline not in thy wrath from thy servant. Be thou my helper, forsake me not; do not thou despise me, O God my Saviour.

**10** For my father and my mother have left me: but the Lord hath taken me up.

**11** Set me, O Lord, a law in thy way, and guide me in the right path, because of my enemies.

**12** Deliver me not over to the will of them that trouble me; for unjust witnesses have risen up against me; and iniquity hath lied to itself.

**13** I believe to see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

**14** Expect the Lord, do manfully, and let thy heart take courage, and wait thou for the Lord.

## Chapter 27

A psalm for David himself. Unto thee will I cry, O Lord: O my God, be not thou silent to me: lest if thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit.

**2** Hear, O Lord, the voice of my supplication, when I pray to thee; when I lift up my hands to thy holy temple.

**3** Draw me not away together with the wicked; and with the workers of iniquity destroy me not: Who speak peace with their neighbour, but evils are in their hearts.

**4** Give them according to their works, and according to the wickedness of their inventions. According to the works of their hands give thou to them: render to them their reward.

**5** Because they have not understood the works of the Lord, and the operations of his hands:

thou shalt destroy them, and shalt not build them up.

**6** Blessed be the Lord, for he hath heard the voice of my supplication.

**7** The Lord is my helper and my protector: in him hath my heart confided, and I have been helped. And my flesh hath flourished again, and with my will I will give praise to him.

**8** The Lord is the strength of his people, and the protector of the salvation of his anointed.

**9** Save, O Lord, thy people, and bless thy inheritance: and rule them and exalt them for ever.

## Chapter 28

A psalm for David, at the finishing of the tabernacle. Bring to the Lord, O ye children of God: bring to the Lord the offspring of rams.

**2** Bring to the Lord glory and honour: bring to the Lord glory to his name: adore ye the Lord in his holy court.

**3** The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of majesty hath thundered, The Lord is upon many waters.

**4** The voice of the Lord is in power; the voice of the Lord in magnificence.

**5** The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedars: yea, the Lord shall break the cedars of Libanus.

**6** And shall reduce them to pieces, as a calf of Libanus, and as the beloved son of unicorns.

**7** The voice of the Lord divideth the flame of fire:

**8** The voice of the Lord shaketh the desert: and the Lord shall shake the desert of Cades.

**9** The voice of the Lord prepareth the stags: and he will discover the thick woods: and in his temple all shall speak his glory.

**10** The Lord maketh the flood to dwell: and the Lord shall sit king for ever. The Lord will

give strength to his people: the Lord will bless his people with peace.

## Chapter 29

A psalm of a canticle, at the dedication of David's house.

**2** I will extol thee, O Lord, for thou hast upheld me: and hast not made my enemies to rejoice over me.

**3** O Lord my God, I have cried to thee, and thou hast healed me.

**4** Thou hast brought forth, O Lord, my soul from hell: thou hast saved me from them that go down into the pit.

**5** Sing to the Lord, O ye his saints: and give praise to the memory of his holiness.

**6** For wrath is in his indignation; and life in his good will. In the evening weeping shall have place, and in the morning gladness.

**7** And in my abundance I said: I shall never be moved.

**8** O Lord, in thy favour, thou gavest strength to my beauty. Thou turnedst away thy face from me, and I became troubled.

**9** To thee, O Lord, will I cry: and I will make supplication to my God.

**10** What profit is there in my blood, whilst I go down to corruption? Shall dust confess to thee, or declare thy truth?

**11** The Lord hath heard, and hath had mercy on me: the Lord became my helper.

**12** Thou hast turned for me my mourning into joy: thou hast cut my sackcloth, and hast compassed me with gladness:

**13** To the end that my glory may sing to thee, and I may not regret: O Lord my God, I will give praise to thee for ever.

## Chapter 30

Unto the end, a psalm for David, in an ecstasy.

**2** In thee, O Lord, have I hoped, let me never be confounded: deliver me in thy justice.

**3** Bow down thy ear to me: make haste to deliver me. Be thou unto me a God, a protector, and a house of refuge, to save me.

**4** For thou art my strength and my refuge; and for thy name's sake thou wilt lead me, and nourish me.

**5** Thou wilt bring me out of this snare, which they have hidden for me: for thou art my protector.

**6** Into thy hands I commend my spirit: thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, the God of truth.

**7** Thou hast hated them that regard vanities, to no purpose. But I have hoped in the Lord:

**8** I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy. For thou hast regarded my humility, thou hast saved my soul out of distresses.

**9** And thou hast not shut me up in the hands of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a spacious place.

**10** Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am afflicted: my eye is troubled with wrath, my soul, and my belly:

**11** For my life is wasted with grief: and my years in sighs. My strength is weakened through poverty and my bones are disturbed.

**12** I am become a reproach among all my enemies, and very much to my neighbours; and a fear to my acquaintance. They that saw me without fled from me.

**13** I am forgotten as one dead from the heart. I am become as a vessel that is destroyed.

**14** For I have heard the blame of many that dwell round about. While they assembled together against me, they consulted to take away my life.

**15** But I have put my trust in thee, O Lord: I said: Thou art my God.

**16** My lots are in thy hands. Deliver me out of the hands of my enemies; and from them that persecute me.

**17** Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; save me in thy mercy.

**18** Let me not be confounded, O Lord, for I have called upon thee. Let the wicked be ashamed, and be brought down to hell.

**19** Let deceitful lips be made dumb. Which speak iniquity against the just, with pride and abuse.

**20** O how great is the multitude of thy sweetness, O Lord, which thou hast hidden for them that fear thee! Which thou hast wrought for them that hope in thee, in the sight of the sons of men.

**21** Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy face, from the disturbance of men. Thou shalt protect them in thy tabernacle from the contradiction of tongues.

**22** Blessed be the Lord, for he hath shewn his wonderful mercy to me in a fortified city.

**23** But I said in the excess of my mind: I am cast away from before thy eyes. Therefore thou hast heard the voice of my prayer, when I cried to thee.

**24** O love the Lord, all ye his saints: for the Lord will require truth, and will repay them abundantly that act proudly.

**25** Do ye manfully, and let your heart be strengthened, all ye that hope in the Lord.

## Chapter 31

To David himself, understanding. Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.