

2 Blessed is the man to whom the Lord hath not imputed sin, and in whose spirit there is no guile.

3 Because I was silent my bones grew old; whilst I cried out all the day long.

4 For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: I am turned in my anguish, whilst the thorn is fastened.

5 I have acknowledged my sin to thee, and my injustice I have not concealed. I said I will confess against my self my injustice to the Lord: and thou hast forgiven the wickedness of my sin.

6 For this shall every one that is holy pray to thee in a seasonable time. And yet in a flood of many waters, they shall not come nigh unto him.

7 Thou art my refuge from the trouble which hath encompassed me: my joy, deliver me from them that surround me.

8 I will give thee understanding, and I will instruct thee in this way, in which thou shalt go: I will fix my eyes upon thee.

9 Do not become like the horse and the mule, who have no understanding. With bit and bridle bind fast their jaws, who come not near unto thee.

10 Many are the scourges of the sinner, but mercy shall encompass him that hopeth in the Lord.

11 Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, ye just, and glory, all ye right of heart.

Chapter 32

A psalm for David. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just: praise becometh the upright.

2 Give praise to the Lord on the harp; sing to him with the psaltery, the instrument of ten strings.

3 Sing to him a new canticle, sing well unto him with a loud noise.

4 For the word of the Lord is right, and all his works are done with faithfulness.

5 He loveth mercy and judgment; the earth is full of the mercy of the Lord.

6 By the word of the Lord the heavens were established; and all the power of them by the spirit of his mouth:

7 Gathering together the waters of the sea, as in a vessel; laying up the depths in storehouses.

8 Let all the earth fear the Lord, and let all the inhabitants of the world be in awe of him.

9 For he spoke and they were made: he commanded and they were created.

10 The Lord bringeth to nought the counsels of nations; and he rejecteth the devices of people, and casteth away the counsels of princes.

11 But 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: the people whom he hath chosen for his inheritance.

13 The Lord hath looked from heaven: he hath beheld all the sons of men.

14 From his habitation which he hath prepared, he hath looked upon all that dwell on the earth.

15 He who hath made the hearts of every one of them: who understandeth all their works.

16 The king is not saved by a great army: nor shall the giant be saved by his own great strength.

17 Vain is the horse for safety: neither shall he be saved by the abundance of his strength.

18 Behold the eyes of the Lord are on them that fear him: and on them that hope in his mercy.

19 To deliver their souls from death; and feed them in famine.

20 Our soul waiteth for the Lord: for he is our helper and protector.

21 For in him our heart shall rejoice: and in his holy name we have trusted.

22 Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hooped in thee.

Chapter 33

For David, when he changed his countenance before Achimelech, who dismissed him, and he went his way. [1 Kings 21.]

2 I will belss the Lord at all times, his praise shall be always in my mouth.

3 In the Lord shall my soul be praised: let the meek hear and rejoice.

4 O magnify the Lord with me; and let us extol his name together.

5 I sought the Lord, and he heard me; and he delivered me from all my troubles.

6 Come ye to him and be enlightened: and your faces shall not be confounded.

7 This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him: and saved him out of all his troubles.

8 The angel of the Lord shall encamp round about them that fear him: and shall deliver them.

9 O taste, and see that the Lord is sweet: blessed is the man that hopeth in him.

10 Fear the Lord, all ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him.

11 The rich have wanted, and have suffered hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not be deprived of any good.

12 Come, children, hearken to me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

13 Who is the man that desireth life: who liveth to see good days?

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

15 Turn away from evil and do good: seek after peace and pursue it.

16 The eyes of the Lord are upon the just: and his ears unto their prayers.

17 But the countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil things: to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

18 The just cried, and the Lord heard them: and delivered them out of all their troubles.

19 The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart: and he will save the humble of spirit.

20 Many are the afflictions of the just; but out of them all will the Lord deliver them.

21 The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart: and he will save the humble of spirit.

22 The death of the wicked is very evil: and they that hate the just shall be guilty.

23 The Lord will redeem the souls of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall offend.

Chapter 34

For David himself. Judge thou, O Lord, them that wrong me: overthrow them that fight against me.

2 Take hold of arms and shield: and rise up to help me.

3 Bring out the sword, and shut up the way against them that persecute me: say to my soul: I am thy salvation.

4 Let them be confounded and ashamed that seek after my soul. Let them be turned back and be confounded that devise evil against me.

5 Let them become as dust before the wind: and let the angel of the Lord straiten them.

6 Let their way become dark and slippery; and let the angel of the Lord pursue them.

7 For without cause they have hidden their net for me unto destruction: without cause they have upbraided my soul.

8 Let the snare which he knoweth not come upon him: and let the net which he hath hidden catch him: and into that very snare let them fall.

9 But my soul shall rejoice in the Lord; and shall be delighted in his salvation.

10 All my bones shall say: Lord, who is like to thee? Who deliverest the poor from the hand of them that are stronger than he; the needy and the poor from them that strip him.

11 Unjust witnesses rising up have asked me things I knew not.

12 They repaid me evil for good: to the depriving me of my soul.

13 But as for me, when they were troublesome to me, I was clothed with haircloth. I humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer shall be turned into my bosom.

14 As a neighbour and as an own brother, so did I please: as one mourning and sorrowful so was I humbled.

15 But they rejoiced against me, and came together: scourges were gathered together upon me, and I knew not.

16 They were separated, and repented not: they tempted me, they scoffed at me with scorn: they gnashed upon me with their teeth.

17 Lord, when wilt thou look upon me? rescue thou my soul from their malice: my only one from the lions.

18 I will give thanks to thee in a great church; I will praise thee in a strong people.

19 Let not them that are my enemies wrongfully rejoice over me: who have hated me without

cause, and wink with the eyes.

20 For they spoke indeed peaceably to me; and speaking in the anger of the earth they devised guile.

21 And they opened their mouth wide against me; they said: Well done, well done, our eyes have seen it.

22 Thou hast seen, O Lord, be not thou silent: O Lord, depart not from me.

23 Arise, and be attentive to my judgment: to my cause, my God, and my Lord.

24 Judge me, O Lord my God according to thy justice, and let them not rejoice over me.

25 Let them not say in their hearts: It is well, it is well, to our mind: neither let them say: We have swallowed him up.

26 Let them blush: and be ashamed together, who rejoice at my evils. Let them be clothed with confusion and shame, who speak great things against me.

27 Let them rejoice and be glad, who are well pleased with my justice, and let them say always: The Lord be magnified, who delights in the peace of his servant.

28 And my tongue shall meditate thy justice, thy praise all the day long.

Chapter 35

Unto the end, for the servant of God, David himself.

2 The unjust hath said within himself, that he would sin: there is no fear of God before his eyes.

3 For in his sight he hath done deceitfully, that his iniquity may be found unto hatred.

4 The words of his mouth are iniquity and guile: he would not understand that he might do well.