

14 He suffered no man to hurt them: and he reproved kings for their sakes.

15 Touch ye not my anointed: and do no evil to my prophets.

16 And he called a famine upon the land: and he broke in pieces all the support of bread.

17 He sent a man before them: Joseph, who was sold for a slave.

18 They humbled his feet in fetters: the iron pierced his soul,

19 Until his word came. The word of the Lord inflamed him.

20 The king sent, and he released him: the ruler of the people, and he set him at liberty.

21 He made him master of his house, and ruler of all his possession.

22 That he might instruct his princes as himself, and teach his ancients wisdom.

23 And Israel went into Egypt: and Jacob was a sojourner in the land of Cham.

24 And he increased his people exceedingly: and strengthened them over their enemies.

25 He turned their heart to hate his people: and to deal deceitfully with his servants.

26 He sent Moses his servant: Aaron the man whom he had chosen.

27 He gave them power to shew them signs, and his wonders in the land of Cham.

28 He sent darkness, and made it obscure: and grieved not his words.

29 He turned their waters into blood, and destroyed their fish.

30 Their land brought forth frogs, in the inner chambers of their kings.

31 He spoke, and there came divers sorts of flies and sciniphs in all their coasts.

32 He gave them hail for rain, a burning fire in the land.

33 And he destroyed their vineyards and their fig trees: and he broke in pieces the trees of their

coasts.

34 He spoke, and the locust came, and the bruchus, of which there was no number.

35 And they devoured all the grass in their land, and consumed all the fruit of their ground.

36 And he slew all the firstborn in their land: the firstfruits of all their labour.

37 And he brought them out with silver and gold: and there was not among their tribes one that was feeble.

38 Egypt was glad when they departed: for the fear of them lay upon them.

39 He spread a cloud for their protection, and fire to give them light in the night.

40 They asked, and the quail came: and he filled them with the bread of heaven.

41 He opened the rock, and waters flowed: rivers ran down in the dry land.

42 Because he remembered his holy word, which he had spoken to his servant Abraham.

43 And he brought forth his people with joy, and his chosen with gladness.

44 And he gave them the lands of the Gentiles: and they possessed the labours of the people:

45 That they might observe his justifications, and seek after his law.

Chapter 105

Give glory to the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

2 Who shall declare the powers of the Lord? who shall set forth all his praises?

3 Blessed are they that keep judgment, and do justice at all times.

4 Remember us, O Lord, in the favour of thy people: visit us with thy salvation.

5 That we may see the good of thy chosen, that we may rejoice in the joy of thy nation: that

thou mayst be praised with thy inheritance.

6 We have sinned with our fathers: we have acted unjustly, we have wrought iniquity.

7 Our fathers understood not thy wonders in Egypt: they remembered not the multitude of thy mercies: And they provoked to wrath going up to the sea, even the Red Sea.

8 And he saved them for his own name's sake: that he might make his power known.

9 And he rebuked the Red Sea and it was dried up: and he led them through the depths, as in a wilderness.

10 And he saved them from the hand of them that hated them: and he redeemed them from the hand of the enemy.

11 And the water covered them that afflicted them: there was not one of them left.

12 And they believed his words: and they sang his praises.

13 They had quickly done, they forgot his works: and they waited not for his counsel.

14 And they coveted their desire in the desert: and they tempted God in the place without water.

15 And he gave them their request: and sent fulness into their souls.

16 And they provoked Moses in the camp, Aaron the holy one of the Lord.

17 The earth opened and swallowed up Dathan: and covered the congregation of Abiron.

18 And a fire was kindled in their congregation: the flame burned the wicked.

19 They made also a calf in Horeb: and they adored the graven thing.

20 And they changed their glory into the likeness of a calf that eateth grass.

21 They forgot God, who saved them, who had done great things in Egypt,

22 Wondrous works in the land of Cham: terrible things in the Red Sea.

23 And he said that he would destroy them: had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach: To turn away his wrath, lest he should destroy them.

24 And they set at nought the desirable land. They believed not his word,

25 And they murmured in their tents: they hearkened not to the voice of the Lord.

26 And he lifted up his hand over them: to overthrow them in the desert;

27 And to cast down their seed among the nations, and to scatter them in the countries.

28 They also were initiated to Beelphegor: and ate the sacrifices of the dead.

29 And they provoked him with their inventions: and destruction was multiplied among them.

30 Then Phinees stood up, and pacified him: and the slaughter ceased.

31 And it was reputed to him unto justice, to generation and generation for evermore.

32 They provoked him also at the waters of contradiction: and Moses was afflicted for their sakes:

33 Because they exasperated his spirit. And he distinguished with his lips.

34 They did not destroy the nations of which the Lord spoke unto them.

35 And they were mingled among the heathens, and learned their works:

36 And served their idols, and it became a stumblingblock to them.

37 And they sacrificed their sons, and their daughters to devils.

38 And they shed innocent blood: the blood of their sons and of their daughters which they sacrificed to the idols of Chanaan. And the land was polluted with blood,

39 And was defiled with their works: and they went aside after their own inventions.

40 And the Lord was exceedingly angry with his people: and he abhorred his inheritance.

41 And he delivered them into the hands of the nations: and they that hated them had dominion over them.

42 And their enemies afflicted them: and they were humbled under their hands:

43 Many times did he deliver them. But they provoked him with their counsel: and they were brought low by their iniquities.

44 And he saw when they were in tribulation: and he heard their prayer.

45 And he was mindful of his covenant: and repented according to the multitude of his mercies.

46 And he gave them unto mercies, in the sight of all those that had made them captives.

47 Save us, O Lord, our God: and gather us from among the nations: That we may give thanks to thy holy name, and may glory in thy praise.

48 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting: and let all the people say: So be it, so be it.

Chapter 106

Give glory to the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

2 Let them say so that have been redeemed by the Lord, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy: and gathered out of the countries.

3 From the rising and from the setting of the sun, from the north and from the sea.

4 They wandered in a wilderness, in a place without water: they found not the way of a city for their habitation.

5 They were hungry and thirsty: their soul fainted in them.

6 And they cried to the Lord in their tribulation: and he delivered them out of their distresses.

7 And he led them into the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.

8 Let the mercies of the Lord give glory to him: and his wonderful works to the children of men.

9 For he hath satisfied the empty soul, and hath filled the hungry soul with good things.

10 Such as sat in darkness and in the shadow of death: bound in want and in iron.

11 Because they had exasperated the words of God: and provoked the counsel of the most High:

12 And their heart was humbled with labours: they were weakened, and there was none to help them.

13 Then they cried to the Lord in their affliction: and he delivered them out of their distresses.

14 And he brought them out of darkness, and the shadow of death; and broke their bonds in sunder.

15 Let the mercies of the Lord give glory to him, and his wonderful works to the children of men.

16 Because he hath broken gates of brass, and burst iron bars.

17 He took them out of the way of their iniquity: for they were brought low for their injustices.

18 Their soul abhorred all manner of meat: and they drew nigh even to the gates of death.

19 And they cried to the Lord in their affliction: and he delivered them out of their distresses.