- <sup>5</sup> Gather my saints together unto me; \* those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.
- <sup>6</sup> And the heavens shall declare his righteousness; \* for God is Judge himself.
- Hear, O my people, and I will speak; \* I myself will testify against thee, O Israel; for I am God, even thy God.
- 8 I will not reprove thee because of thy sacrifices; \* as for thy burnt-offerings, they are alway before me.
- <sup>9</sup> I will take no bullock out of thine house,\* nor he-goats out of thy folds.
- <sup>10</sup> For all the beasts of the forest are mine, \* and so are the cattle upon a thousand hills.
- <sup>11</sup> I know all the fowls upon the mountains,\* and the wild beasts of the field are in my sight.
- If I be hungry, I will not tell thee; \* for the whole world is mine, and all that is therein.
- <sup>13</sup> Thinkest thou that I will eat bulls' flesh, \* and drink the blood of goats?
- Offer unto God thanksgiving,\* and pay thy vows unto the Most Highest.
- <sup>15</sup> And call upon me in the time of trouble; \* so will I hear thee, and thou shalt praise me.
- But unto the ungodly saith God,\*
  Why dost thou preach my laws,
  and takest my covenant in thy mouth;
- Whereas thou hatest to be reformed, \* and hast cast my words behind thee?
- When thou sawest a thief, thou consentedst unto him; \* and hast been partaker with the adulterers.
- <sup>19</sup> Thou hast let thy mouth speak wickedness,\* and with thy tongue thou hast set forth deceit.

- <sup>20</sup> Thou sattest and spakest against thy brother; \* yea, and hast slandered thine own mother's son.
- These things hast thou done, and I held my tongue, and thou thoughtest wickedly, that I am even such a one as thyself; \* but I will reprove thee, and set before thee the things that thou hast done.

O consider this, ye that forget God,\* lest I pluck you away, and there be none to deliver you.

Whoso offereth me thanks and praise, he honoreth me; \* and to him that ordereth his way aright, will I show the salvation of God.

# 51

#### Miserere mei, Deus

- Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness; \* according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offenses.
- Wash me throughly from my wickedness, \* and cleanse me from my sin.
- <sup>3</sup> For I acknowledge my faults,\* and my sin is ever before me.
- <sup>4</sup> Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight; \* that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou shalt judge.
- <sup>5</sup> Behold, I was shapen in wickedness, \* and in sin hath my mother conceived me.
- <sup>6</sup> But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts, \* and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.
- <sup>7</sup> Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; \* thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

- <sup>8</sup> Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness, \* that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.
- <sup>9</sup> Turn thy face from my sins,\* and put out all my misdeeds.
- Make me a clean heart, O God,\* and renew a right spirit within me.
- <sup>11</sup> Cast me not away from thy presence,\* and take not thy holy Spirit from me.
- O give me the comfort of thy help again, and stablish me with thy free Spirit.
- <sup>13</sup> Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked, \* and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health; \* and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.
- <sup>15</sup> Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord, \* and my mouth shall show thy praise.
- <sup>16</sup> For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee; \* but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.
- <sup>17</sup> The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: \*
  a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.
- <sup>18</sup> O be favorable and gracious unto Zion; \* build thou the walls of Jerusalem.
- <sup>19</sup> Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations; \*

then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

# 52

## Quid gloriaris?

Why boastest thou thyself, thou tyrant, \* that thou canst do mischief;

Whereas the goodness of God \* endureth yet daily?

Thy tongue imagineth wickedness, \* and with lies thou cuttest like a sharp razor.

- <sup>4</sup> Thou hast loved unrighteousness more than goodness, \* and falsehood more than righteousness.
- Thou hast loved to speak all words that may do hurt, \* O thou false tongue.
- <sup>6</sup> Therefore shall God destroy thee for ever; \*
  he shall take thee, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling,
  and root thee out of the land of the living.
- The righteous also shall see this, and fear, and shall laugh him to scorn:
- <sup>8</sup> Lo, this is the man that took not God for his strength;\* but trusted unto the multitude of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.

<sup>9</sup> As for me, I am like a green olive-tree in the house of God; \* my trust is in the tender mercy of God for ever and ever.

<sup>10</sup> I will alway give thanks unto thee for that thou hast done; \* and I will hope in thy Name, for thy saints like it well.

# DAY IO: EVENING PRAYER

# 53

## Dixit insipiens

- The foolish body hath said in his heart, \* There is no God.
- Corrupt are they, and become abominable in their wickedness; \* there is none that doeth good.
- <sup>3</sup> God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, \* to see if there were any that would understand, and seek after God.

- <sup>4</sup> But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable; \* there is also none that doeth good, no not one.
- Are not they without understanding that work wickedness, \* eating up my people as if they would eat bread? They have not called upon God.
- <sup>6</sup> They were afraid where no fear was; \*
  for God hath broken the bones of him that besieged thee;
  thou hast put them to confusion,
  because God hath despised them.
- O that the salvation were given unto Israel out of Zion! \* O that the Lord would deliver his people out of captivity!
- 8 Then should Jacob rejoice, \* and Israel should be right glad.

#### Deus, in Nomine

- Save me, O God, for thy Name's sake, \* and avenge me in thy strength.
- Hear my prayer, O God,\* and hearken unto the words of my mouth.
- For strangers are risen up against me; \* and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.
- <sup>4</sup> Behold, God is my helper; \* the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.
- <sup>5</sup> He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: \* destroy thou them in thy truth.
- <sup>6</sup> An offering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O Lord; \* because it is so comfortable.

<sup>7</sup> For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble; \* and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

# 55

#### Exaudi, Deus

- Hear my prayer, O God,\* and hide not thyself from my petition.
- <sup>2</sup> Take heed unto me, and hear me, \*
  how I mourn in my prayer, and am vexed;
- The enemy crieth so, and the ungodly cometh on so fast; \* for they are minded to do me some mischief, so maliciously are they set against me.
- <sup>4</sup> My heart is disquieted within me, \* and the fear of death is fallen upon me.
- <sup>5</sup> Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, \* and an horrible dread hath overwhelmed me.
- <sup>6</sup> And I said, O that I had wings like a dove! \* for then would I flee away, and be at rest.
- <sup>7</sup> Lo, then would I get me away far off, \* and remain in the wilderness.
- 8 I would make haste to escape, \* because of the stormy wind and tempest.
- Destroy their tongues, O Lord, and divide them; \* for I have spied unrighteousness and strife in the city.
- Day and night they go about within the walls thereof: \* mischief also and sorrow are in the midst of it.
- Wickedness is therein; \* deceit and guile go not out of her streets.
- <sup>12</sup> For it is not an open enemy that hath done me this dishonor; \* for then I could have borne it;

Neither was it mine adversary that did magnify himself against me; \*

for then peradventure I would have hid myself from him;

But it was even thou, my companion, \*

my guide, and mine own familiar friend.

<sup>15</sup> We took sweet counsel together, \*

and walked in the house of God as friends.

Let death come hastily upon them, and let them go down alive into the pit; \* for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them.

<sup>17</sup> As for me, I will call upon God, \* and the LORD shall save me.

 $^{\rm 18}\,$  In the evening, and morning, and at noonday will I pray, and that instantly; \*

and he shall hear my voice.

19 It is he that hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me; \*

for there were many that strove with me.

<sup>20</sup> Yea, even God, that endureth for ever, shall hear me, and bring them down; \*

for they will not turn, nor fear God.

- <sup>21</sup> He laid his hands upon such as be at peace with him, \* and he brake his covenant.
- The words of his mouth were softer than butter, having war in his heart; \*

his words were smoother than oil, and yet they be very swords.

O cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall nourish thee, and shall not suffer the righteous to fall for ever.

<sup>24</sup> And as for them,\*

thou, O God, shalt bring them into the pit of destruction.

The bloodthirsty and deceitful men shall not live out half their days: \*

nevertheless, my trust shall be in thee, O LORD.

#### DAY II: MORNING PRAYER

# 56

#### Miserere mei, Deus

<sup>1</sup> Be merciful unto me, O God, for man goeth about to devour me; \*

he is daily fighting, and troubling me.

- Mine enemies are daily at hand to swallow me up; \* for they be many that fight against me, O thou Most Highest.
- <sup>3</sup> Nevertheless, though I am sometime afraid, \* yet put I my trust in thee.
- <sup>4</sup> I will praise God, because of his word: \*
  I have put my trust in God,
  and will not fear what flesh can do unto me.
- <sup>5</sup> They daily mistake my words; \* all that they imagine is to do me evil.
- They hold all together, and keep themselves close, \* and mark my steps, when they lay wait for my soul.
- Shall they escape for their wickedness? \* thou, O God, in thy displeasure shalt cast them down.
- 8 Thou tellest my wanderings; put my tears into thy bottle: \* are not these things noted in thy book?
- Whensoever I call upon thee, then shall mine enemies be put to flight: \*

this I know; for God is on my side.

<sup>10</sup> In God's word will I rejoice; \*

in the Lord's word will I comfort me.

Yea, in God have I put my trust; \*

I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

<sup>12</sup> Unto thee, O God, will I pay my vows; \* unto thee will I give thanks.

For thou hast delivered my soul from death, and my feet from falling, \* that I may walk before God in the light of the living.

# 57

#### Miserere mei, Deus

Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me; for my soul trusteth in thee; \* and under the shadow of thy wings shall be my refuge, until this tyranny be overpast.

I will call unto the Most High God,\* even unto the God that shall perform the cause which I have in hand.

<sup>3</sup> He shall send from heaven,\* and save me from the reproof of him that would eat me up.

God shall send forth his mercy and truth: \* my soul is among lions;

And I lie even among the children of men, that are set on fire, \*

whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.

Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens; \* and thy glory above all the earth.

They have laid a net for my feet, and pressed down my soul; \* they have digged a pit before me, and are fallen into the midst of it themselves.

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

<sup>9</sup> Awake up, my glory; awake, lute and harp: \* I myself will awake right early.

<sup>10</sup> I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the peoples; \* and I will sing unto thee among the nations.

- <sup>11</sup> For the greatness of thy mercy reacheth unto the heavens, \* and thy truth unto the clouds.
- <sup>12</sup> Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens; \* and thy glory above all the earth.

## Si vere utique

- Are your minds set upon righteousness, O ye congregation? \* and do ye judge the thing that is right, O ye sons of men?
- <sup>2</sup> Yea, ye imagine mischief in your heart upon the earth, \* and your hands deal with wickedness.
- The ungodly are froward, even from their mother's womb; \* as soon as they are born, they go astray, and speak lies.
- They are as venomous as the poison of a serpent,\* even like the deaf adder, that stoppeth her ears;
- Which refuseth to hear the voice of the charmer, \* charm he never so wisely.
- <sup>6</sup> Break their teeth, O God, in their mouths; \* smite the jawbones of the lions, O Lord.
- <sup>7</sup> Let them fall away like water that runneth apace; \* when they shoot their arrows, let them be rooted out.
- Let them consume away like a snail, and be like the untimely fruit of a woman; \* and let them not see the sun.
- Or ever your pots be made hot with thorns,\* he shall take them away with a whirlwind, the green and the burning alike.
- <sup>10</sup> The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance; \* he shall wash his footsteps in the blood of the ungodly.
- So that a man shall say, Verily there is a reward for the righteous; \*
  - doubtless there is a God that judgeth the earth.

#### DAY II: EVENING PRAYER

# 59

## Eripe me de inimicis

- Deliver me from mine enemies, O God; \* defend me from them that rise up against me.
- O deliver me from the wicked doers,\* and save me from the blood-thirsty men.
- For lo, they lie waiting for my soul; \*
  the mighty men are gathered against me,
  without any offense or fault of me, O LORD.
- <sup>4</sup> They run and prepare themselves without my fault; \* arise thou therefore to help me, and behold.
- 5 Stand up, O LORD God of hosts, thou God of Israel, to visit all the heathen,\* and be not merciful unto them that offend of malicious wickedness.
- 6 They go to and fro in the evening,\* they grin like a dog, and run about through the city.
- Behold, they speak with their mouth, and swords are in their lips; \* for who doth hear?
- But thou, O LORD, shalt have them in derision,\* and thou shalt laugh all the heathen to scorn.
- 9 My strength will I ascribe unto thee; \* for thou art the God of my refuge.
- God showeth me his goodness plenteously; \* and God shall let me see my desire upon mine enemies.
- <sup>11</sup> Slay them not, lest my people forget it; \*
  but scatter them abroad among the people, and put them
  down, O Lord our defense.

- <sup>12</sup> For the sin of their mouth, and for the words of their lips, they shall be taken in their pride: \*
  and why? their talk is of cursing and lies.
- Consume them in thy wrath, consume them, that they may perish; \* and know that it is God that ruleth in Jacob, and unto the ends of the world.
- <sup>14</sup> And in the evening they will return,\* grin like a dog, and will go about the city.
- They will run here and there for meat, and grudge if they be not satisfied.
- As for me, I will sing of thy power, and will praise thy mercy betimes in the morning;\* for thou hast been my defense and refuge in the day of my trouble.
- <sup>17</sup> Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing; \* for thou, O God, art my refuge, and my merciful God.

## Deus, repulisti nos

- <sup>1</sup> O God, thou hast cast us out, and scattered us abroad; \* thou hast also been displeased: O turn thee unto us again.
- <sup>2</sup> Thou hast moved the land, and divided it: \* heal the sores thereof, for it shaketh.
- <sup>3</sup> Thou hast showed thy people heavy things; \* thou hast given us a drink of deadly wine.
- <sup>4</sup> Thou hast given a token for such as fear thee,\* that they may triumph because of the truth.
- <sup>5</sup> Therefore were thy beloved delivered: \* help me with thy right hand, and hear me.

- <sup>6</sup> God hath spoken in his holiness, I will rejoice and divide Shechem, \* and mete out the valley of Succoth.
- Gilead is mine, and Manasseh is mine; \* Ephraim also is the strength of my head; Judah is my law-giver;
- Moab is my wash-pot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe; \* Philistia, be thou glad of me.
- Who will lead me into the strong city? \* who will bring me into Edom?
- Hast not thou cast us out, O God? \* wilt not thou, O God, go out with our hosts?
- O be thou our help in trouble; \* for vain is the help of man.
- <sup>12</sup> Through God will we do great acts; \* for it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

## Exaudi, Deus

- Hear my crying, O God,\* give ear unto my prayer.
- <sup>2</sup> From the ends of the earth will I call upon thee, \* when my heart is in heaviness.
- O set me up upon the rock that is higher than I; \* for thou hast been my hope, and a strong tower for me against the enemy.
- <sup>4</sup> I will dwell in thy tabernacle for ever,\* and my trust shall be under the covering of thy wings.
- <sup>5</sup> For thou, O Lord, hast heard my desires, \* and hast given an heritage unto those that fear thy Name.
- Thou shalt grant the King a long life,\*
  that his years may endure throughout all generations.

He shall dwell before God for ever: \*
O prepare thy loving mercy and faithfulness, that they may preserve him.

So will I alway sing praise unto thy Name, \*

that I may daily perform my vows.

#### DAY 12: MORNING PRAYER

# 62

## Nonne Deo?

My soul truly waiteth still upon God; \* for of him cometh my salvation.

He verily is my strength and my salvation; \* he is my defense, so that I shall not greatly fall.

<sup>3</sup> How long will ye imagine mischief against every man? \*
Ye shall be slain all the sort of you;
yea, as a tottering wall shall ye be, and like a broken hedge.

<sup>4</sup> Their device is only how to put him out

whom God will exalt; \*

their delight is in lies; they give good words with their mouth, but curse with their heart.

<sup>5</sup> Nevertheless, my soul, wait thou still upon God: \* for my hope is in him.

<sup>6</sup> He truly is my strength and my salvation; \* he is my defense, so that I shall not fall.

In God is my health and my glory; \* the rock of my might; and in God is my trust.

8 O put your trust in him alway, ye people; \* pour out your hearts before him, for God is our hope.

<sup>9</sup> As for the children of men, they are but vanity; the children of men are deceitful; \* upon the weights they are altogether lighter than vanity itself.

<sup>10</sup> O trust not in wrong and robbery; give not yourselves unto vanity: if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.

11 God spake once, and twice I have also heard the same, \*

that power belongeth unto God;

<sup>12</sup> And that thou, Lord, art merciful; \* for thou rewardest every man according to his work.

# 63

#### Deus, Deus meus

O God, thou art my God; \* early will I seek thee.

My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee,\* in a barren and dry land where no water is.

<sup>3</sup> Thus have I looked for thee in the sanctuary,\* that I might behold thy power and glory.

<sup>4</sup> For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself: \* my lips shall praise thee.

As long as I live will I magnify thee in this manner,\* and lift up my hands in thy Name.

<sup>6</sup> My soul shall be satisfied,

even as it were with marrow and fatness,\* when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips.

Have I not remembered thee in my bed,\* and thought upon thee when I was waking?

<sup>8</sup> Because thou hast been my helper; \* therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

<sup>9</sup> My soul hangeth upon thee; \* thy right hand hath upholden me.

<sup>10</sup> These also that seek the hurt of my soul,\* they shall go under the earth.

11 Let them fall upon the edge of the sword, \* that they may be a portion for foxes.

But the King shall rejoice in God; all they also that swear by him shall be commended; \* for the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.

# 64

#### Exaudi, Deus

- Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer; \* preserve my life from fear of the enemy.
- Hide me from the gathering together of the froward,\* and from the insurrection of wicked doers;
- Who have whet their tongue like a sword,\* and shoot out their arrows, even bitter words;
- <sup>4</sup> That they may privily shoot at him that is perfect: \* suddenly do they hit him, and fear not.
- They encourage themselves in mischief,\*
  and commune among themselves, how they may lay snares;
  and say, that no man shall see them.
- <sup>6</sup> They imagine wickedness, and practice it; \* that they keep secret among themselves, every man in the deep of his heart.
- <sup>7</sup> But God shall suddenly shoot at them with a swift arrow, \* that they shall be wounded.
- <sup>8</sup> Yea, their own tongues shall make them fall; \* insomuch that whoso seeth them shall laugh them to scorn.
- And all men that see it shall say, This hath God done; \* for they shall perceive that it is his work.
- The righteous shall rejoice in the LORD, and put his trust in him, \* and all they that are true of heart shall be glad.

#### DAY 12: EVENING PRAYER

# 65

#### Te decet hymnus

- <sup>1</sup> Thou, O God, art praised in Zion; \* and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.
- <sup>2</sup> Thou that hearest the prayer, \* unto thee shall all flesh come.
- <sup>3</sup> My misdeeds prevail against me: \*

O be thou merciful unto our sins.

<sup>4</sup> Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and receivest unto thee: \*

he shall dwell in thy court, and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

<sup>5</sup> Thou shalt show us wonderful things in thy righteousness,

O God of our salvation; \*

thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea.

- Who in his strength setteth fast the mountains,\* and is girded about with power.
- <sup>7</sup> Who stilleth the raging of the sea,\*

and the noise of his waves, and the madness of the peoples.

They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens, \*

thou that makest the outgoings

of the morning and evening to praise thee.

<sup>9</sup> Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it; \* thou makest it very plenteous.

<sup>10</sup> The river of God is full of water: \*

thou preparest their corn, for so thou providest for the earth.

<sup>11</sup> Thou waterest her furrows;

thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof; \* thou makest it soft with the drops of rain,

and blessest the increase of it.

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

<sup>13</sup> They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness; \* and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.

The folds shall be full of sheep; \* the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn, that they shall laugh and sing.

# 66

## Jubilate Deo

- O be joyful in God, all ye lands; \* sing praises unto the honor of his Name; make his praise to be glorious.
- Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works!\* through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies bow down unto thee.
- <sup>3</sup> For all the world shall worship thee,\* sing of thee, and praise thy Name.
- <sup>4</sup> O come hither, and behold the works of God; \* how wonderful he is in his doing toward the children of men.
- He turned the sea into dry land,\* so that they went through the water on foot; there did we rejoice thereof.
- 6 He ruleth with his power for ever; his eyes behold the nations: \* and such as will not believe shall not be able to exalt themselves.
- O praise our God, ye peoples, \* and make the voice of his praise to be heard;

Who holdeth our soul in life; \* and suffereth not our feet to slip.

<sup>9</sup> For thou, O God, hast proved us; \*
thou also hast tried us, like as silver is tried.

Thou broughtest us into the snare; \* and laidest trouble upon our loins.

Thou sufferedst men to ride over our heads; \* we went through fire and water, and thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.

<sup>12</sup> I will go into thine house with burnt-offerings, and will pay thee my vows,\* which I promised with my lips, and spake with my mouth, when I was in trouble.

<sup>13</sup> I will offer unto thee fat burnt-sacrifices, with the incense of rams; \*
I will offer bullocks and goats.

<sup>14</sup> O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God; \* and I will tell you what he hath done for my soul.

<sup>15</sup> I called unto him with my mouth,\* and gave him praises with my tongue.

If I incline unto wickedness with mine heart, \* the Lord will not hear me.

But God hath heard me; \* and considered the voice of my prayer.

<sup>18</sup> Praised be God, who hath not cast out my prayer, \* nor turned his mercy from me.

# 67

#### Deus misereatur

God be merciful unto us, and bless us,\* and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us;

- <sup>2</sup> That thy way may be known upon earth,\* thy saving health among all nations.
- <sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise thee, O God; \* yea, let all the peoples praise thee.
- <sup>4</sup> O let the nations rejoice and be glad; \* for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.
- <sup>5</sup> Let the peoples praise thee, O God; \* yea, let all the peoples praise thee.
- <sup>6</sup> Then shall the earth bring forth her increase; \* and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.
- <sup>7</sup> God shall bless us; \* and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

# DAY 13: MORNING PRAYER

68

## Exsurgat Deus

- Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; \* let them also that hate him flee before him.
- <sup>2</sup> Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away; \* and like as wax melteth at the fire, so let the ungodly perish at the presence of God.
- <sup>3</sup> But let the righteous be glad, and rejoice before God; \* let them also be merry and joyful.
- <sup>4</sup> O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his Name; magnify him that rideth upon the heavens; \* praise him in his Name JAH, and rejoice before him.
- <sup>5</sup> He is a Father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the widows; \* even God in his holy habitation.

- <sup>6</sup> He is the God that maketh men to be of one mind in an house, and bringeth the prisoners out of captivity; \* but letteth the runagates continue in scarceness.
- <sup>7</sup> O God, when thou wentest forth before the people; \* when thou wentest through the wilderness,
- The earth shook, and the heavens dropped at the presence of God; \* even as Sinai also was moved at the presence of God, who is the God of Israel.
- Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine inheritance, and refreshedst it when it was weary.
- Thy congregation shall dwell therein; \* for thou, O God, hast of thy goodness prepared for the poor.
- 11 The Lord gave the word; \*

great was the company of women that bare the tidings.

- <sup>12</sup> Kings with their armies did flee, and were discomfited,\* and they of the household divided the spoil.
- Though ye have lain among the sheep-folds, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove \*

that is covered with silver wings, and her feathers like gold.

- When the Almighty scattered kings for their sake, then were they as white as snow in Zalmon.
- <sup>15</sup> As the hill of Bashan, so is God's hill; \* even an high hill, as the hill of Bashan.
- Why mock ye so, ye high hills? this is God's hill, in the which it pleaseth him to dwell; \* yea, the LORD will abide in it for ever.
- The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels, \*
  and the Lord is among them as in the holy place of Sinai.

18 Thou art gone up on high, thou hast led captivity captive, and received gifts from men; \*

yea, even from thine enemies, that the LORD God might dwell among them.

<sup>19</sup> Praised be the Lord daily,\* even the God who helpeth us,

and poureth his benefits upon us.

- <sup>20</sup> He is our God, even the God of whom cometh salvation: \* God is the Lord, by whom we escape death.
- <sup>21</sup> God shall wound the head of his enemies,\* and the hairy scalp of such a one as goeth on still in his wickedness.
- <sup>22</sup> The Lord hath said, I will bring my people again, as I did from Bashan; \* mine own will I bring again,

as I did sometime from the deep of the sea.

- <sup>23</sup> That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of thine enemies, \* and that the tongue of thy dogs may be red through the same.
- <sup>24</sup> It is well seen, O God, how thou goest; \* how thou, my God and King, goest in the sanctuary.

<sup>25</sup> The singers go before, the minstrels follow after,\* in the midst of the damsels playing with the timbrels.

<sup>26</sup> Give thanks unto God the Lord in the congregation,\* ve that are of the fountain of Israel.

<sup>27</sup> There is little Benjamin their ruler, and the princes of Judah their council; \*

the princes of Zebulon, and the princes of Naphthali.

<sup>28</sup> Thy God hath sent forth strength for thee; \* stablish the thing, O God, that thou hast wrought in us,

<sup>29</sup> For thy temple's sake at Jerusalem; \* so shall kings bring presents unto thee.

- Rebuke thou the dragon and the bull, with the leaders of the heathen, so that they humbly bring pieces of silver; \* scatter thou the peoples that delight in war;
- Then shall the princes come out of Egypt; \*
  the Morians' land shall soon stretch out her hands unto
  God.
- Sing unto God, O ye kingdoms of the earth; \* O sing praises unto the Lord;
- Who sitteth in the heavens over all, from the beginning: \* lo, he doth send out his voice; yea, and that a mighty voice.
- <sup>34</sup> Ascribe ye the power to God over Israel; \* his worship and strength is in the clouds.
- <sup>35</sup> O God, wonderful art thou in thy holy places: \* even the God of Israel, he will give strength and power unto his people. Blessed be God.

# DAY 13: EVENING PRAYER

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Salvum me fac

<sup>1</sup> Save me, O God, \*

for the waters are come in, even unto my soul.

- <sup>2</sup> I stick fast in the deep mire, where no ground is; \*
  I am come into deep waters, so that the floods run over me.
- I am weary of crying; my throat is dry; \* my sight faileth me for waiting so long upon my God.
- They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of my head; \* they that are mine enemies, and would destroy me guiltless, are mighty.
- <sup>5</sup> I paid them the things that I never took: \* God, thou knowest my simpleness,

and my faults are not hid from thee.

<sup>6</sup> Let not them that trust in thee, O Lord God of hosts, be ashamed for my cause; \*

let not those that seek thee be confounded through me, O Lord God of Israel.

- <sup>7</sup> And why? for thy sake have I suffered reproof; \* shame hath covered my face.
- <sup>8</sup> I am become a stranger unto my brethren,\* even an alien unto my mother's children.
- For the zeal of thine house hath even eaten me; \* and the rebukes of them that rebuked thee are fallen upon me.
- <sup>10</sup> I wept, and chastened myself with fasting,\* and that was turned to my reproof.
- <sup>11</sup> I put on sackcloth also, \* and they jested upon me.
- 12 They that sit in the gate speak against me, \* and the drunkards make songs upon me.
- <sup>13</sup> But, LORD, I make my prayer unto thee \* in an acceptable time.
- <sup>14</sup> Hear me, O God, in the multitude of thy mercy, \* even in the truth of thy salvation.
- <sup>15</sup> Take me out of the mire, that I sink not; \*
  O let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.
- Let not the water-flood drown me, neither let the deep swallow me up;\* and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.
- <sup>17</sup> Hear me, O LORD, for thy loving-kindness is comfortable; \* turn thee unto me according to the multitude of thy mercies.
- And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: \* O haste thee, and hear me.

Draw nigh unto my soul, and save it; \* O deliver me, because of mine enemies.

<sup>20</sup> Thou hast known my reproach, my shame, and my dishonor: \* mine adversaries are all in thy sight.

<sup>21</sup> Reproach hath broken my heart; I am full of heaviness: \* I looked for some to have pity on me, but there was no man, neither found I any to comfort me.

<sup>22</sup> They gave me gall to eat; \*

and when I was thirsty, they gave me vinegar to drink.

- <sup>23</sup> Let their table be made a snare to take themselves withal; \* and let the things that should have been for their wealth be unto them an occasion of falling.
- <sup>24</sup> Let their eyes be blinded, that they see not; \* and ever bow thou down their backs.
- Pour out thine indignation upon them,\* and let thy wrathful displeasure take hold of them.
- Let their habitation be void,\* and no man to dwell in their tents.
- <sup>27</sup> For they persecute him whom thou hast smitten; \* and they talk how they may vex them whom thou hast wounded.
- Let them fall from one wickedness to another,\* and not come into thy righteousness.
- <sup>29</sup> Let them be wiped out of the book of the living, \* and not be written among the righteous.
- As for me, when I am poor and in heaviness, \* thy help, O God, shall lift me up.
- <sup>31</sup> I will praise the Name of God with a song,\* and magnify it with thanksgiving.
- <sup>32</sup> This also shall please the LORD \* better than a bullock that hath horns and hoofs.
- <sup>33</sup> The humble shall consider this, and be glad: \* seek ye after God, and your soul shall live.

<sup>34</sup> For the LORD heareth the poor, \* and despiseth not his prisoners.

35 Let heaven and earth praise him: \* the sea, and all that moveth therein.

<sup>36</sup> For God will save Zion, and build the cities of Judah, \* that men may dwell there, and have it in possession.

<sup>37</sup> The posterity also of his servants shall inherit it; \* and they that love his Name shall dwell therein.

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### Deus, in adjutorium

- Haste thee, O God, to deliver me; \* make haste to help me, O Lord.
- Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul; \* let them be turned backward and put to confusion that wish me evil.
- Let them for their reward be soon brought to shame, \* that cry over me, There! there!
- <sup>4</sup> But let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee: \* and let all such as delight in thy salvation say alway, The Lord be praised.
- As for me, I am poor and in misery: \* haste thee unto me, O God.
- <sup>6</sup> Thou art my helper, and my redeemer: \*
  O LORD, make no long tarrying.

DAY 14: MORNING PRAYER

## In te, Domine, speravi

- In thee, O LORD, have I put my trust; let me never be put to confusion,\* but rid me and deliver me in thy righteousness; incline thine ear unto me, and save me.
- <sup>2</sup> Be thou my stronghold, whereunto I may alway resort: \* thou hast promised to help me, for thou art my house of defense, and my castle.
- Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly, \* out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.
- <sup>4</sup> For thou, O Lord God, art the thing that I long for: \* thou art my hope, even from my youth.
- Through thee have I been holden up ever since I was born: \* thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb: my praise shall be alway of thee.
- <sup>6</sup> I am become as it were a monster unto many, \* but my sure trust is in thee.
- <sup>7</sup> O let my mouth be filled with thy praise,\* that I may sing of thy glory and honor all the day long.
- 8 Cast me not away in the time of age; \* forsake me not when my strength faileth me.
- For mine enemies speak against me; \* and they that lay wait for my soul take their counsel together, saying,
- God hath forsaken him; \* persecute him, and take him, for there is none to deliver him.
- Go not far from me, O God; \* my God, haste thee to help me.

- Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul; \* let them be covered with shame and dishonor that seek to do me evil.
- <sup>13</sup> As for me, I will patiently abide alway, \* and will praise thee more and more.
- My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation; \* for I know no end thereof.
- <sup>15</sup> I will go forth in the strength of the Lord GoD,\* and will make mention of thy righteousness only.
- <sup>16</sup> Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now; \* therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.
- <sup>17</sup> Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed,\*

until I have showed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.

- Thy righteousness, O God, is very high, \* and great things are they that thou hast done: O God, who is like unto thee!
- O what great troubles and adversities hast thou showed me! and yet didst thou turn and refresh me; \*

yea, and broughtest me from the deep of the earth again.

- <sup>20</sup> Thou hast brought me to great honor, \* and comforted me on every side:
- Therefore will I praise thee, and thy faithfulness, O God, playing upon an instrument of music: \* unto thee will I sing upon the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.
- <sup>22</sup> My lips will be glad when I sing unto thee; \* and so will my soul whom thou hast delivered.
- My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long; \*

for they are confounded and brought unto shame that seek to do me evil.

## Deus, judicium

- Give the King thy judgments, O God,\* and thy righteousness unto the King's son.
- <sup>2</sup> Then shall he judge thy people according unto right, \* and defend the poor.
- The mountains also shall bring peace, \* and the little hills righteousness unto the people.
- <sup>4</sup> He shall keep the simple folk by their right, \* defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong doer.
- They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth, from one generation to another.
- <sup>6</sup> He shall come down like the rain upon the mown grass, \* even as the drops that water the earth.
- <sup>7</sup> In his time shall the righteous flourish; \* yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.
- <sup>8</sup> His dominion shall be also from the one sea to the other, \* and from the River unto the world's end.
- They that dwell in the wilderness shall kneel before him; his enemies shall lick the dust.
- The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall give presents; the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.
- <sup>11</sup> All kings shall fall down before him; \* all nations shall do him service.
- <sup>12</sup> For he shall deliver the poor when he crieth; \* the needy also, and him that hath no helper.
- <sup>13</sup> He shall be favorable to the simple and needy, \* and shall preserve the souls of the poor.
- <sup>14</sup> He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong; \* and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

- He shall live, and unto him shall be given of the gold of Arabia; \* prayer shall be made ever unto him, and daily shall he be praised.
- There shall be an heap of corn in the earth, high upon the hills; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon: \*

and they of the city shall flourish like grass upon the earth.

<sup>17</sup> His Name shall endure for ever; his Name shall remain under the sun among the posterities, which shall be blessed in him; \*

and all the nations shall praise him.

- Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel, \* which only doeth wondrous things;
- And blessed be the Name of his majesty for ever: \* and all the earth shall be filled with his majesty. Amen, Amen.

# DAY 14: EVENING PRAYER 72

## Quam bonus Isræl!

- <sup>1</sup> Truly, God is loving unto Israel: \* even unto such as are of a clean heart.
- Nevertheless, my feet were almost gone, \* my treadings had well-nigh slipped.
- And why? I was grieved at the wicked: \* I do also see the ungodly in such prosperity.
- <sup>4</sup> For they are in no peril of death; \* but are lusty and strong.
- <sup>5</sup> They come in no misfortune like other folk; \* neither are they plagued like other men.
- <sup>6</sup> And this is the cause that they are so holden with pride, \* and cruelty covereth them as a garment.

<sup>7</sup> Their eyes swell with fatness,\* and they do even what they lust.

8 They corrupt other, and speak of wicked blasphemy; \* their talking is against the Most High.

For they stretch forth their mouth unto the heaven,\* and their tongue goeth through the world.

<sup>10</sup> Therefore fall the people unto them,\* and thereout suck they no small advantage.

11 Tush, say they, how should God perceive it? \* is there knowledge in the Most High?

<sup>12</sup> Lo, these are the ungodly,\* these prosper in the world, and these have riches in possession:

<sup>13</sup> And I said, Then have I cleansed my heart in vain, \* and washed my hands in innocency.

<sup>14</sup> All the day long have I been punished,\* and chastened every morning.

<sup>15</sup> Yea, and I had almost said even as they; \* but lo, then I should have condemned the generation of thy children.

<sup>16</sup> Then thought I to understand this; \* but it was too hard for me,

<sup>17</sup> Until I went into the sanctuary of God: \* then understood I the end of these men;

<sup>18</sup> Namely, how thou dost set them in slippery places, \* and castest them down, and destroyest them.

<sup>19</sup> O how suddenly do they consume, \* perish, and come to a fearful end!

<sup>20</sup> Yea, even like as a dream when one awaketh; \* so shalt thou make their image to vanish out of the city.

<sup>21</sup> Thus my heart was grieved,\* and it went even through my reins.

- <sup>22</sup> So foolish was I, and ignorant,\* even as it were a beast before thee.
- Nevertheless, I am alway by thee; \* for thou hast holden me by my right hand.
- <sup>24</sup> Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel,\* and after that receive me with glory.
- Whom have I in heaven but thee? \* and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of thee.
- My flesh and my heart faileth; \* but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.
- <sup>27</sup> For lo, they that forsake thee shall perish; \* thou hast destroyed all them that are unfaithful unto thee.
- <sup>28</sup> But it is good for me to hold me fast by God, to put my trust in the Lord God, \* and to speak of all thy works in the gates of the daughter of Zion.

# Ut quid, Deus?

- O God, wherefore art thou absent from us so long? \* why is thy wrath so hot against the sheep of thy pasture?
- O think upon thy congregation, \* whom thou hast purchased, and redeemed of old.
- Think upon the tribe of thine inheritance,\* and Mount Zion, wherein thou hast dwelt.
- <sup>4</sup> Lift up thy feet, that thou mayest utterly destroy every enemy, \* which hath done evil in thy sanctuary.
- <sup>5</sup> Thine adversaries roar in the midst of thy congregations, \* and set up their banners for tokens.

- 6 He that hewed timber afore out of the thick trees,\* was known to bring it to an excellent work.
- <sup>7</sup> But now they break down all the carved work thereof \* with axes and hammers.
- They have set fire upon thy holy places,\* and have defiled the dwelling place of thy Name, even unto the ground.
- Yea, they said in their hearts, Let us make havoc of them altogether: \* thus have they burnt up all the houses of God in the land.
- We see not our tokens; there is not one prophet more; \* no, not one is there among us, that understandeth any more.
- O God, how long shall the adversary do this dishonor?\* shall the enemy blaspheme thy Name for ever?
- Why withdrawest thou thy hand? \*
  why pluckest thou not thy right hand out of thy bosom
  to consume the enemy?
- For God is my King of old; \*

the help that is done upon earth, he doeth it himself.

- <sup>14</sup> Thou didst divide the sea through thy power; \* thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the waters.
- <sup>15</sup> Thou smotest the heads of leviathan in pieces,\* and gavest him to be meat for the people of the wilderness.
- Thou broughtest out fountains and waters out of the hard rocks; \*

thou driedst up mighty waters.

- <sup>17</sup> The day is thine, and the night is thine; \* thou hast prepared the light and the sun.
- <sup>18</sup> Thou hast set all the borders of the earth; \* thou hast made summer and winter.
- <sup>19</sup> Remember this, O LORD, how the enemy hath rebuked; \* and how the foolish people hath blasphemed thy Name.

O deliver not the soul of thy turtledove unto the multitude of the enemies; \* and forget not the congregation of the poor for ever.

<sup>21</sup> Look upon the covenant; \*

for all the earth is full of darkness and cruel habitations.

O let not the simple go away ashamed; \*

but let the poor and needy give praise unto thy Name.

<sup>23</sup> Arise, O God, maintain thine own cause; \*

remember how the foolish man blasphemeth thee daily.

<sup>24</sup> Forget not the voice of thine enemies: \* the presumption of them that hate thee increaseth ever more and more.

## DAY 15: MORNING PRAYER

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## Confitebimur tibi

- <sup>1</sup> Unto thee, O God, do we give thanks; \* yea, unto thee do we give thanks.
- Thy Name also is so nigh; \* and that do thy wondrous works declare.

In the appointed time, saith God, \* I shall judge according unto right.

- <sup>4</sup> The earth is weak, and all the inhabiters thereof: \* I bear up the pillars of it.
- <sup>5</sup> I said unto the fools, Deal not so madly; \* and to the ungodly, Set not up your horn.

<sup>6</sup> Set not up your horn on high, \* and speak not with a stiff neck.

For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, \*

nor yet from the south.

8 And why? God is the Judge; \*
he putteth down one, and setteth up another.

For in the hand of the LORD there is a cup, and the wine is red; \*

it is full mixed, and he poureth out of the same.

<sup>10</sup> As for the dregs thereof, \*
all the ungodly of the earth shall drink them,
and suck them out.

But I will talk of the God of Jacob, \* and praise him for ever.

<sup>12</sup> All the horns of the ungodly also will I break,\* and the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

# 76

## Notus in Judæa

- In Judah is God known; \* his Name is great in Israel.
- <sup>2</sup> At Salem is his tabernacle,\* and his dwelling in Zion.
- There brake he the arrows of the bow, the shield, the sword, and the battle.
- <sup>4</sup> Thou art glorious in might,\* when thou comest from the hills of the robbers.
- <sup>5</sup> The proud are robbed, they have slept their sleep; \* and all the men whose hands were mighty have found nothing.
- <sup>6</sup> At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob,\* both the chariot and horse are fallen.
- <sup>7</sup> Thou, even thou art to be feared; \* and who may stand in thy sight when thou art angry?
- <sup>8</sup> Thou didst cause thy judgment to be heard from heaven; \* the earth trembled, and was still,
- When God arose to judgment,\* and to help all the meek upon earth.

- <sup>10</sup> The fierceness of man shall turn to thy praise; \* and the fierceness of them shalt thou refrain.
- Promise unto the LORD your God, and keep it, all ye that are round about him; \* bring presents unto him that ought to be feared.

<sup>12</sup> He shall refrain the spirit of princes, \* and is wonderful among the kings of the earth.

# 77

#### Voce mea ad Dominum

- <sup>1</sup> I will cry unto God with my voice; \* even unto God will I cry with my voice, and he shall hearken unto me.
- In the time of my trouble I sought the Lord: \* I stretched forth my hands unto him, and ceased not in the night season; my soul refused comfort.

When I am in heaviness, I will think upon God; \* when my heart is vexed, I will complain.

<sup>4</sup> Thou holdest mine eyes waking: \*
I am so feeble that I cannot speak.

5 I have considered the days of old,\*

and the years that are past.

I call to remembrance my song,\*
and in the night I commune with mine own heart,
and search out my spirit.

Will the Lord absent himself for ever? \*
and will he be no more intreated?

8 Is his mercy clean gone for ever? \* and is his promise come utterly to an end for evermore?

9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious? \* and will he shut up his loving-kindness in displeasure? And I said, It is mine own infirmity; \* but I will remember the years of the right hand of the Most Highest.

<sup>11</sup> I will remember the works of the LORD,\* and call to mind thy wonders of old time.

<sup>12</sup> I will think also of all thy works, \* and my talking shall be of thy doings.

<sup>13</sup> Thy way, O God, is holy: \*

who is so great a God as our God?

- Thou art the God that doest wonders,\* and hast declared thy power among the peoples.
- <sup>15</sup> Thou hast mightily delivered thy people, \* even the sons of Jacob and Joseph.
- The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee, and were afraid; \*

the depths also were troubled.

- <sup>17</sup> The clouds poured out water, the air thundered, \* and thine arrows went abroad.
- <sup>18</sup> The voice of thy thunder was heard round about: \* the lightnings shone upon the ground; the earth was moved, and shook withal.
- <sup>19</sup> Thy way is in the sea, and thy paths in the great waters, \* and thy footsteps are not known.
- <sup>20</sup> Thou leddest thy people like sheep,\* by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

## DAY 15: EVENING PRAYER

78

Attendite, popule

- Hear my law, O my people; \* incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.
- <sup>2</sup> I will open my mouth in a parable; \*
  I will declare hard sentences of old;

- Which we have heard and known, \* and such as our fathers have told us;
- <sup>4</sup> That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come; \* but to show the honor of the LORD, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.
- <sup>5</sup> He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law, \* which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children;
- That their posterity might know it,\* and the children which were yet unborn;
- <sup>7</sup> To the intent that when they came up,\* they might show their children the same;
- That they might put their trust in God; \* and not to forget the works of God, but to keep his commandments;
- 9 And not to be as their forefathers, a faithless and stubborn generation; \* a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit clave not stedfastly unto God;
- Like as the children of Ephraim; \* who being harnessed, and carrying bows, turned themselves back in the day of battle.
- 11 They kept not the covenant of God,\* and would not walk in his law;
- <sup>12</sup> But forgat what he had done,\* and the wonderful works that he had showed for them.
- Marvelous things did he in the sight of our forefathers, in the land of Egypt,\* even in the field of Zoan.
- He divided the sea, and let them go through; \* he made the waters to stand on an heap.

- <sup>15</sup> In the daytime also he led them with a cloud, \* and all the night through with a light of fire.
- <sup>16</sup> He clave the hard rocks in the wilderness,\* and gave them drink thereof, as it had been out of the great depth.
- <sup>17</sup> He brought waters out of the stony rock, \* so that it gushed out like the rivers.
- <sup>18</sup> Yet for all this they sinned more against him,\* and provoked the Most Highest in the wilderness.
- <sup>19</sup> They tempted God in their hearts,\* and required meat for their lust.
- They spake against God also, saying, \*
  Shall God prepare a table in the wilderness?
- <sup>21</sup> He smote the stony rock indeed, that the water gushed out, and the streams flowed withal; \*

but can he give bread also, or provide flesh for his people?

- When the LORD heard this, he was wroth; \*
  so the fire was kindled in Jacob,
  and there came up heavy displeasure against Israel;
- Because they believed not in God,\* and put not their trust in his help.
- <sup>24</sup> So he commanded the clouds above, \* and opened the doors of heaven.
- <sup>25</sup> He rained down manna also upon them for to eat, \* and gave them food from heaven.
- So man did eat angels' food; \* for he sent them meat enough.
- <sup>27</sup> He caused the east wind to blow under heaven; \* and through his power he brought in the southwest wind.
- <sup>28</sup> He rained flesh upon them as thick as dust,\* and feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea.
- <sup>29</sup> He let it fall among their tents,\*
  even round about their habitation.

- So they did eat, and were well filled; for he gave them their own desire: \* they were not disappointed of their lust.
- <sup>31</sup> But while the meat was yet in their mouths, the heavy wrath of God came upon them, and slew the wealthiest of them; \*

yea, and smote down the chosen men that were in Israel.

- But for all this they sinned yet more,\* and believed not his wondrous works.
- <sup>33</sup> Therefore their days did he consume in vanity, \* and their years in trouble.
- When he slew them, they sought him, \* and turned them early, and inquired after God.
- <sup>35</sup> And they remembered that God was their strength, \* and that the High God was their redeemer.
- Nevertheless, they did but flatter him with their mouth,\* and dissembled with him in their tongue.
- <sup>37</sup> For their heart was not whole with him,\* neither continued they stedfast in his covenant.
- <sup>38</sup> But he was so merciful, that he forgave their misdeeds, \* and destroyed them not.
- <sup>39</sup> Yea, many a time turned he his wrath away,\* and would not suffer his whole displeasure to arise.
- <sup>40</sup> For he considered that they were but flesh, \* and that they were even a wind that passeth away, and cometh not again.
- <sup>41</sup> Many a time did they provoke him in the wilderness, \* and grieved him in the desert.
- <sup>42</sup> They turned back, and tempted God,\* and provoked the Holy One in Israel.
- <sup>43</sup> They thought not of his hand, \* and of the day when he delivered them from the hand of the enemy;

- <sup>44</sup> How he had wrought his miracles in Egypt, \* and his wonders in the field of Zoan.
- <sup>45</sup> He turned their waters into blood,\* so that they might not drink of the rivers.
- <sup>46</sup> He sent flies among them, and devoured them up; \* and frogs to destroy them.
- <sup>47</sup> He gave their fruit unto the caterpillar,\* and their labour unto the grasshopper.
- <sup>48</sup> He destroyed their vines with hailstones, \* and their mulberry trees with the frost.
- <sup>49</sup> He smote their cattle also with hailstones, \* and their flocks with hot thunderbolts.
- 50 He cast upon them the furiousness of his wrath, anger, displeasure, and trouble: \* and sent evil angels among them.
- He made a way to his indignation, and spared not their soul from death; \* but gave their life over to the pestilence;
- <sup>52</sup> And smote all the firstborn in Egypt,\*
  the most principal and mightiest in the dwellings of Ham.
- <sup>53</sup> But as for his own people, he led them forth like sheep, \* and carried them in the wilderness like a flock.
- <sup>54</sup> He brought them out safely, that they should not fear, \* and overwhelmed their enemies with the sea.
- 55 And brought them within the borders of his sanctuary, \* even to this mountain, which he purchased with his right hand.
- <sup>56</sup> He cast out the heathen also before them, \* caused their land to be divided among them for an heritage, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents.
- <sup>57</sup> Yet they tempted and displeased the Most High God,\* and kept not his testimonies.

- <sup>58</sup> They turned their backs, and fell away like their forefathers; \* starting aside like a broken bow.
- <sup>59</sup> For they grieved him with their hill-altars, \* and provoked him to displeasure with their images.
- When God heard this, he was wroth, and took sore displeasure at Israel;
- 61 So that he forsook the tabernacle in Shiloh,\* even the tent that he had pitched among men.
- 62 He delivered their power into captivity,\* and their beauty into the enemy's hand.
- 63 He gave his people over also unto the sword, \* and was wroth with his inheritance.
- <sup>64</sup> The fire consumed their young men,\* and their maidens were not given in marriage.
- 65 Their priests were slain with the sword,\* and there were no widows to make lamentation.
- 66 So the Lord awaked as one out of sleep, \* and like a giant refreshed with wine.
- <sup>67</sup> He drave his enemies backward,\* and put them to a perpetual shame.
- 68 He refused the tabernacle of Joseph,\* and chose not the tribe of Ephraim;
- <sup>69</sup> But chose the tribe of Judah,\* even the hill of Zion which he loved.
- And there he built his temple on high, \* and laid the foundation of it like the ground which he hath made continually.
- 71 He chose David also his servant,\* and took him away from the sheepfolds:
- <sup>72</sup> As he was following the ewes with their young he took him, \* that he might feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.
- <sup>73</sup> So he fed them with a faithful and true heart, \*

## and ruled them prudently with all his power.

#### DAY 16: MORNING PRAYER

## 79

#### Deus, venerunt

<sup>1</sup> O God, the heathen are come into thine inheritance; \* thy holy temple have they defiled, and made Jerusalem an heap of stones.

<sup>2</sup> The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the air, \* and the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the land.

Their blood have they shed like water on every side of Jerusalem, \*

and there was no man to bury them.

We are become an open shame to our enemies,\*

a very scorn and derision unto them that are round about us.

5 LORD, how long wilt thou be angry? \* shall thy jealousy burn like fire for ever?

Our out thine indignation upon the heathen that have not known thee; \* and upon the kingdoms that have not called

upon thy Name.

For they have devoured Jacob, \*
and laid waste his dwelling-place.

O remember not our old sins, but have mercy upon us, and that soon; \*

for we are come to great misery.

<sup>9</sup> Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy Name: \* O deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins, for thy Name's sake.

Wherefore do the heathen say, \* Where is now their God?

<sup>11</sup> O let the vengeance of thy servants' blood that is shed,\*

be openly showed upon the heathen, in our sight.

O let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come before thee; \*

according to the greatness of thy power, preserve thou those that are appointed to die.

<sup>13</sup> And for the blasphemy wherewith our neighbours have blasphemed thee, \*

reward thou them, O Lord, sevenfold into their bosom.

<sup>14</sup> So we, that are thy people, and sheep of thy pasture, shall give thee thanks for ever, \*
and will alway be showing forth thy praise from generation to generation.

# 80

## Qui regis Isræl

Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock;\* show thyself also, thou that sittest upon the Cherubim.

Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,\* stir up thy strength, and come and help us.

<sup>3</sup> Turn us again, O God; \*

show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

<sup>4</sup> O Lord God of hosts,\*

how long wilt thou be angry with thy people that prayeth?

Thou feedest them with the bread of tears,\*

and givest them plenteousness of tears to drink.

<sup>6</sup> Thou hast made us a very strife unto our neighbours, \* and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

<sup>7</sup> Turn us again, thou God of hosts; \* show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

- <sup>8</sup> Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt; \* thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.
- <sup>9</sup> Thou madest room for it; \*

and when it had taken root, it filled the land.

- <sup>10</sup> The hills were covered with the shadow of it, \* and the boughs thereof were like the goodly cedar-trees.
- <sup>11</sup> She stretched out her branches unto the sea, \* and her boughs unto the River.
- Why hast thou then broken down her hedge,\* that all they that go by pluck off her grapes?
- The wild boar out of the wood doth root it up, and the wild beasts of the field devour it.
- <sup>14</sup> Turn thee again, thou God of hosts, look down from heaven, \* behold, and visit this vine;
- And the place of the vineyard that thy right hand hath planted,\*

and the branch that thou madest so strong for thyself.

- <sup>16</sup> It is burnt with fire, and cut down; \* and they shall perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.
- Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand,\* and upon the son of man, whom thou madest so strong for thine own self.
- <sup>18</sup> And so will not we go back from thee: \*

O let us live, and we shall call upon thy Name.

<sup>19</sup> Turn us again, O LORD God of hosts; \* show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

## 81

#### Exultate Deo

- <sup>1</sup> Sing we merrily unto God our strength; \* make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.
- <sup>2</sup> Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret, \* the merry harp with the lute.

- Blow up the trumpet in the new moon,\* even in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast-day.
- <sup>4</sup> For this was made a statute for Israel, \* and a law of the God of Jacob.
- This he ordained in Joseph for a testimony, when he came out of the land of Egypt, and had heard a strange language.
- <sup>6</sup> I eased his shoulder from the burden,\* and his hands were delivered from making the pots.
- <sup>7</sup> Thou calledst upon me in troubles, and I delivered thee; \* and heard thee what time as the storm fell upon thee.
- 8 I proved thee also \* at the waters of strife.
- Hear, O my people; and I will assure thee, O Israel, \* if thou wilt hearken unto me,
- <sup>10</sup> There shall no strange god be in thee,\* neither shalt thou worship any other god.
- <sup>11</sup> I am the LORD thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt: \* open thy mouth wide, and I shall fill it.
- But my people would not hear my voice; \* and Israel would not obey me;
- <sup>13</sup> So I gave them up unto their own hearts' lusts, \* and let them follow their own imaginations.
- O that my people would have hearkened unto me! \* for if Israel had walked in my ways,
- <sup>15</sup> I should soon have put down their enemies,\* and turned my hand against their adversaries.
- <sup>16</sup> The haters of the LORD should have submitted themselves unto him; \*
  - but their time should have endured for ever.
- <sup>17</sup> I would have fed them also with the finest wheat-flour; \* and with honey out of the stony rock would I have satisfied thee.

### DAY 16: EVENING PRAYER

# 82

#### Deus stetit

- <sup>1</sup> God standeth in the congregation of princes; \* he is a Judge among gods.
- <sup>2</sup> How long will ye give wrong judgment,\* and accept the persons of the ungodly?
- Defend the poor and fatherless; \* see that such as are in need and necessity have right.
- Deliver the outcast and poor; \* save them from the hand of the ungodly.
- They know not, neither do they understand, but walk on still in darkness: \*
  - all the foundations of the earth are out of course.
- I have said, Ye are gods, \* and ye are all the children of the Most Highest.
- <sup>7</sup> But ye shall die like men,\* and fall like one of the princes.
- 8 Arise, O God, and judge thou the earth; \*
  for thou shalt take all nations to thine inheritance.

# 83

## Deus, quis similis?

- <sup>1</sup> Hold not thy tongue, O God, keep not still silence: \* refrain not thyself, O God.
- For lo, thine enemies make a murmuring; \* and they that hate thee have lift up their head.
- <sup>3</sup> They have imagined craftily against thy people, \* and taken counsel against thy secret ones.

- <sup>4</sup> They have said, Come, and let us root them out, that they be no more a people, \* and that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.
- <sup>5</sup> For they have cast their heads together with one consent, \* and are confederate against thee:
- <sup>6</sup> The tabernacles of the Edomites, and the Ishmaelites; \* the Moabites, and Hagarenes;
- Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; \* the Philistines, with them that dwell at Tyre.
- Assyria also is joined with them; \* they have holpen the children of Lot.
- <sup>9</sup> But do thou to them as unto the Midianites; \* unto Sisera, and unto Jabin at the brook of Kishon;
- Who perished at Endor,\* and became as the dung of the earth.
- <sup>11</sup> Make them and their princes like Oreb and Zeëb; \* yea, make all their princes like as Zebah and Zalmunna;
- Who say, Let us take to ourselves \* the houses of God in possession.
- O my God, make them like unto the whirling dust, and as the stubble before the wind;
- Like as the fire that burneth up the forest,\* and as the flame that consumeth the mountains;
- Pursue them even so with thy tempest,\* and make them afraid with thy storm.
- Make their faces ashamed, O LORD, \* that they may seek thy Name.
- <sup>17</sup> Let them be confounded and vexed ever more and more; \* let them be put to shame, and perish.
- <sup>18</sup> And they shall know that thou, whose Name is Jehovah, \* art only the Most Highest over all the earth.

#### Quam dilecta!

- O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts!
- My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord; \* my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- <sup>3</sup> Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young; \*

even thy altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

- Blessed are they that dwell in thy house; \* they will be alway praising thee.
- 5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; \* in whose heart are thy ways.
- Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well; and the pools are filled with water.
- They will go from strength to strength,\* and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Zion.
- <sup>8</sup> O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; \* hearken, O God of Jacob.
- <sup>9</sup> Behold, O God our defender,\* and look upon the face of thine anointed.
- <sup>10</sup> For one day in thy courts \* is better than a thousand.
- <sup>11</sup> I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, \* than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.
- <sup>12</sup> For the LORD God is a light and defense; \* the LORD will give grace and worship; and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.
- O Lord God of hosts,\*
  blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

## 85

### Benedixisti, Domine

- LORD, thou art become gracious unto thy land; \* thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.
- <sup>2</sup> Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people, \* and covered all their sins.
- <sup>3</sup> Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure, \* and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation.
- <sup>4</sup> Turn us then, O God our Savior, \* and let thine anger cease from us.
- Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever? \*
  and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation
  to another?
- Wilt thou not turn again, and quicken us,\* that thy people may rejoice in thee?
- <sup>7</sup> Show us thy mercy, O LORD, \* and grant us thy salvation.
- <sup>8</sup> I will hearken what the LORD God will say; \*
  for he shall speak peace unto his people, and to his saints,
  that they turn not again unto foolishness.
- For his salvation is nigh them that fear him; \* that glory may dwell in our land.
- Mercy and truth are met together: \* righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- <sup>11</sup> Truth shall flourish out of the earth,\* and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.
- <sup>12</sup> Yea, the LORD shall show loving-kindness; \* and our land shall give her increase.
- Righteousness shall go before him,\* and shall direct his going in the way.

# DAY 17: MORNING PRAYER 86

#### Inclina, Domine

<sup>1</sup> Bow down thine ear, O LORD, and hear me; \* for I am poor, and in misery.

Preserve thou my soul, for I am holy: \* my God, save thy servant that putteth his trust in thee.

<sup>3</sup> Be merciful unto me, O Lord; \* for I will call daily upon thee.

<sup>4</sup> Comfort the soul of thy servant; \* for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

For thou, Lord, art good and gracious, \* and of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

<sup>6</sup> Give ear, LORD, unto my prayer,\*
and ponder the voice of my humble desires.

<sup>7</sup> In the time of my trouble I will call upon thee; \* for thou hearest me.

- <sup>8</sup> Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord; \* there is not one that can do as thou doest.
- 9 All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship thee, O Lord; \* and shall glorify thy Name.

<sup>10</sup> For thou art great, and doest wondrous things: \* thou art God alone.

<sup>11</sup> Teach me thy way, O LORD, and I will walk in thy truth: \* O knit my heart unto thee, that I may fear thy Name.

<sup>12</sup> I will thank thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart; \* and will praise thy Name for evermore.

For great is thy mercy toward me; \* and thou hast delivered my soul from the nethermost hell.

- O God, the proud are risen against me; \* and the congregations of violent men have sought after my soul, and have not set thee before their eyes.
- <sup>15</sup> But thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy, \* long-suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.
- <sup>16</sup> O turn thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me; \* give thy strength unto thy servant, and help the son of thine handmaid.
- Show some token upon me for good; that they who hate me may see it, and be ashamed, because thou, LORD, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

# 87

### Fundamenta ejus

- <sup>1</sup> Her foundations are upon the holy hills: \* the Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.
- Very excellent things are spoken of thee,\* thou city of God.
- <sup>3</sup> I will make mention of Egypt and Babylon,\* among them that know me.
- <sup>4</sup> Behold, Philistia also; and Tyre, with Ethiopia; \* lo, in Zion were they born.
- <sup>5</sup> Yea, of Zion it shall be reported, this one and that one were born in her; \* and the Most High shall stablish her.
- <sup>6</sup> The LORD shall record it, when he writeth up the peoples; \* lo, in Zion were they born.
- <sup>7</sup> The singers also and trumpeters shall make answer: \* All my fresh springs are in thee.

#### Domine, Deus

O LORD God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before thee: \* O let my prayer enter into thy presence, incline thine ear unto my calling;

<sup>2</sup> For my soul is full of trouble, \* and my life draweth nigh unto the grave.

<sup>3</sup> I am counted as one of them that go down into the pit, \* and I am even as a man that hath no strength;

<sup>4</sup> Cast off among the dead, like unto them that are slain, and lie in the grave, \*

who are out of remembrance, and are cut away from thy hand.

Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit,\* in a place of darkness, and in the deep.

<sup>6</sup> Thine indignation lieth hard upon me, \* and thou hast vexed me with all thy storms.

- 7 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me, \* and made me to be abhorred of them.
- 8 I am so fast in prison \* that I cannot get forth.
- My sight faileth for very trouble; \* LORD, I have called daily upon thee, I have stretched forth my hands unto thee.

Dost thou show wonders among the dead? \* or shall the dead rise up again, and praise thee?

Shall thy loving-kindness be showed in the grave? \* or thy faithfulness in destruction?

Shall thy wondrous works be known in the dark? \* and thy righteousness in the land where all things are forgotten?

<sup>13</sup> Unto thee have I cried, O LORD; \* and early shall my prayer come before thee.

LORD, why abhorrest thou my soul, \* and hidest thou thy face from me?

<sup>15</sup> I am in misery, and like unto him that is at the point to die; \* even from my youth up, thy terrors have I suffered with a troubled mind.

Thy wrathful displeasure goeth over me,\* and the fear of thee hath undone me.

<sup>17</sup> They came round about me daily like water,\* and compassed me together on every side.

<sup>18</sup> My lovers and friends hast thou put away from me, \* and hid mine acquaintance out of my sight.

# DAY 17: EVENING PRAYER 89

#### Misericordias Domini

- My song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord; \* with my mouth will I ever be showing thy truth from one generation to another.
- <sup>2</sup> For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever; \* thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.
- I have made a covenant with my chosen; \* I have sworn unto David my servant:
- <sup>4</sup> Thy seed will I stablish for ever, \* and set up thy throne from one generation to another.
- <sup>5</sup> O LORD, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works; \* and thy truth in the congregation of the saints.
- <sup>6</sup> For who is he among the clouds,\* that shall be compared unto the LORD?

- <sup>7</sup> And what is he among the gods,\* that shall be like unto the LORD?
- <sup>8</sup> God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints, \* and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about him.
- O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee? \* thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.
- Thou rulest the raging of the sea; \* thou stillest the waves thereof when they arise.
- <sup>11</sup> Thou hast subdued Egypt, and destroyed it; \* thou hast scattered thine enemies abroad with thy mighty arm.
- <sup>12</sup> The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine; \* thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is.
- Thou hast made the north and the south; \* Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy Name.
- Thou hast a mighty arm; \* strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.
- Righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat; \* mercy and truth shall go before thy face.
- <sup>16</sup> Blessed is the people, O LORD, that can rejoice in thee; \* they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.
- <sup>17</sup> Their delight shall be daily in thy Name; \* and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.
- <sup>18</sup> For thou art the glory of their strength, \* and in thy loving-kindness thou shalt lift up our horns.
- <sup>19</sup> For the Lord is our defense; \* the Holy One of Israel is our King.
- Thou spakest sometime in visions unto thy saints, and saidst,\*

I have laid help upon one that is mighty, I have exalted one chosen out of the people.

<sup>21</sup> I have found David my servant; \* with my holy oil have I anointed him.

My hand shall hold him fast,\* and my arm shall strengthen him.

- <sup>23</sup> The enemy shall not be able to do him violence; \* the son of wickedness shall not hurt him.
- <sup>24</sup> I will smite down his foes before his face,\* and plague them that hate him.
- <sup>25</sup> My truth also and my mercy shall be with him; \* and in my Name shall his horn be exalted.
- <sup>26</sup> I will set his dominion also in the sea,\* and his right hand in the floods.
- He shall call me, Thou art my Father, \* my God, and my strong salvation.
- <sup>28</sup> And I will make him my firstborn, \* higher than the kings of the earth.
- My mercy will I keep for him for evermore,\* and my covenant shall stand fast with him.
- <sup>30</sup> His seed also will I make to endure for ever, \* and his throne as the days of heaven.
- But if his children forsake my law,\* and walk not in my judgments;
- 32 If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments; \* I will visit their offences with the rod, and their sin with scourges.
- Nevertheless, my loving-kindness will I not utterly take from him, \* nor suffer my truth to fail.
- My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips: \*

I have sworn once by my holiness, that I will not fail David.

35 His seed shall endure for ever,\* and his throne is like as the sun before me.

- <sup>36</sup> He shall stand fast for evermore as the moon, \* and as the faithful witness in heaven.
- <sup>37</sup> But thou hast abhorred and forsaken thine anointed, \* and art displeased at him.
- Thou hast broken the covenant of thy servant, and cast his crown to the ground.
- Thou hast overthrown all his hedges,\* and broken down his strongholds.
- <sup>40</sup> All they that go by spoil him,\* and he is become a reproach to his neighbours.
- <sup>41</sup> Thou hast set up the right hand of his enemies, \* and made all his adversaries to rejoice.
- <sup>42</sup> Thou hast taken away the edge of his sword, \* and givest him not victory in the battle.
- Thou hast put out his glory,\*
- and cast his throne down to the ground.

  The days of his youth hast thou shortened,\*
- and covered him with dishonour.
- <sup>45</sup> LORD, how long wilt thou hide thyself? for ever? \* and shall thy wrath burn like fire?
- O remember how short my time is; \* wherefore hast thou made all men for nought?
- What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death? \* and shall he deliver his soul from the power of the grave?
- <sup>48</sup> Lord, where are thy old loving-kindnesses, \* which thou swarest unto David in thy truth?
- <sup>49</sup> Remember, Lord, the rebuke that thy servants have, \* and how I do bear in my bosom the rebukes of many people;
- Wherewith thine enemies have blasphemed thee, and slandered the footsteps of thine anointed.
- <sup>51</sup> Praised be the LORD for evermore.\* Amen, and Amen.

# DAY 18: MORNING PRAYER

#### Domine, refugium

Lord, thou hast been our refuge,\* from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made,\* thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.

<sup>3</sup> Thou turnest man to destruction; \*

again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.

<sup>4</sup> For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, \* and as a watch in the night.

As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep; \* and fade away suddenly like the grass.

In the morning it is green, and groweth up; \* but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.

<sup>7</sup> For we consume away in thy displeasure, \* and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.

8 Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee; \* and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

<sup>9</sup> For when thou art angry all our days are gone: \* we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

<sup>10</sup> The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years,\*

yet is their strength then but labor and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

<sup>11</sup> But who regardeth the power of thy wrath? \* or feareth aright thy indignation?

<sup>12</sup> So teach us to number our days,\*

that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

<sup>13</sup> Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last,\* and be gracious unto thy servants.

- <sup>14</sup> O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon: \* so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- Comfort us again now after the time that thou hast plagued us; \* and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.

<sup>16</sup> Show thy servants thy work,\*

and their children thy glory.

And the glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: \* prosper thou the work of our hands upon us; O prosper thou our handiwork.

# 91

### Qui habitat

- <sup>1</sup> Whoso dwelleth under the defense of the Most High, \* shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
- I will say unto the LORD, Thou art my hope, and my stronghold; \* my God, in him will I trust.
- <sup>3</sup> For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter, \* and from the noisome pestilence.
- <sup>4</sup> He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers; \*
  his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night, \*

nor for the arrow that flieth by day;
For the pestilence that walketh in darkness

For the pestilence that walketh in darkness,\* nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noonday.

<sup>7</sup> A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand; \* but it shall not come nigh thee.

Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold,\* and see the reward of the ungodly. For thou, LORD, art my hope; \* thou hast set thine house of defense very high.

<sup>10</sup> There shall no evil happen unto thee, \* neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

<sup>11</sup> For he shall give his angels charge over thee, \* to keep thee in all thy ways.

12 They shall bear thee in their hands,\* that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

13 Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder: \*
the young lion and the dragon
shalt thou tread under thy feet.

Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him; \*

I will set him up, because he hath known my Name.

He shall call upon me, and I will hear him; \* yea, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and bring him to honor.

<sup>16</sup> With long life will I satisfy him, \* and show him my salvation.

# 92

## Bonum est confiteri

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD,\* and to sing praises unto thy Name, O Most Highest;

<sup>2</sup> To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning,\* and of thy truth in the night season;

Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the lute; \* upon a loud instrument, and upon the harp.

<sup>4</sup> For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through thy works; \* and I will rejoice in giving praise for the operations of thy hands.

<sup>5</sup> O Lord, how glorious are thy works! \* thy thoughts are very deep.

6 An unwise man doth not well consider this,\*

and a fool doth not understand it.

When the ungodly are green as the grass,

and when all the workers of wickedness do flourish, \* then shall they be destroyed for ever; but thou, LORD, art the Most Highest for evermore.

For lo, thine enemies, O LORD, lo, thine enemies shall perish; \*

and all the workers of wickedness shall be destroyed.

- <sup>9</sup> But my horn shall be exalted like the horn of an unicorn; \* for I am anointed with fresh oil.
- Mine eye also shall see his lust of mine enemies, \* and mine ear shall hear his desire of the wicked that arise up against me.

<sup>11</sup> The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, \* and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Lebanon.

Such as are planted in the house of the LORD, \* shall flourish in the courts of the house of our God.

They also shall bring forth more fruit in their age, and shall be fat and well-liking;

That they may show how true the LORD my strength is, \* and that there is no unrighteousness in him.

# DAY 18: EVENING PRAYER

# 93

#### Dominus regnavit

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is King, and hath put on glorious apparel; \* the LORD hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.

- <sup>2</sup> He hath made the round world so sure, \* that it cannot be moved.
- Ever since the world began, hath thy seat been prepared: \* thou art from everlasting.
- The floods are risen, O LORD, the floods have lift up their voice; \* the floods lift up their waves.
- The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly; \* but yet the LORD, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.
- <sup>6</sup> Thy testimonies, O LORD, are very sure: \* holiness becometh thine house for ever.

# 94

#### Deus ultionum

- O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth, \* thou God, to whom vengeance belongeth, show thyself.
- <sup>2</sup> Arise, thou Judge of the world,\* and reward the proud after their deserving.
- LORD, how long shall the ungodly, \* how long shall the ungodly triumph?
- 4 How long shall all wicked doers speak so disdainfully, \* and make such proud boasting?
- <sup>5</sup> They smite down thy people, O LORD, \* and trouble thine heritage.
- <sup>6</sup> They murder the widow and the stranger, \* and put the fatherless to death.
- And yet they say, Tush, the LORD shall not see, \* neither shall the God of Jacob regard it.
- Take heed, ye unwise among the people: \*
  O ye fools, when will ye understand?
- <sup>9</sup> He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? \* or he that made the eye, shall he not see?

- Or he that instructeth the heathen, \*
  it is he that teacheth man knowledge; shall not he punish?
- <sup>11</sup> The LORD knoweth the thoughts of man, \* that they are but vain.
- <sup>12</sup> Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O Lord, \* and teachest him in thy law;
- <sup>13</sup> That thou mayest give him patience in time of adversity, \* until the pit be digged up for the ungodly.
- <sup>14</sup> For the LORD will not fail his people; \* neither will he forsake his inheritance;
- <sup>15</sup> Until righteousness turn again unto judgment: \* all such as are true in heart shall follow it.
- Who will rise up with me against the wicked? \* or who will take my part against the evil doers?
- 17 If the LORD had not helped me, \* it had not failed, but my soul had been put to silence.
- <sup>18</sup> But when I said, My foot hath slipt; \* thy mercy, O Lord, held me up.
- <sup>19</sup> In the multitude of the sorrows that I had in my heart, \* thy comforts have refreshed my soul.
- Wilt thou have any thing to do with the throne of wickedness, \* which imagineth mischief as a law?
- <sup>21</sup> They gather them together against the soul of the righteous, \* and condemn the innocent blood.
- But the LORD is my refuge,\* and my God is the strength of my confidence.
- <sup>23</sup> He shall recompense them their wickedness, and destroy them in their own malice; \* yea, the LORD our God shall destroy them.

# day 19: morning prayer 95

#### Venite, exultemus

- O come, let us sing unto the LORD; \*
  let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
- Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving; \* and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.
- For the LORD is a great God; \* and a great King above all gods.
- <sup>4</sup> In his hand are all the corners of the earth; \* and the strength of the hills is his also.
- The sea is his, and he made it; \* and his hands prepared the dry land.
- O come, let us worship and fall down, \* and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- <sup>7</sup> For he is the Lord our God; \* and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
- Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts \* as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;
- When your fathers tempted me,\* proved me, and saw my works.
- Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said, \*
  It is a people that do err in their hearts,
  for they have not known my ways:
- <sup>11</sup> Unto whom I sware in my wrath, \* that they should not enter into my rest.

#### Cantate Domino

- O sing unto the LORD a new song; \* sing unto the LORD, all the whole earth.
- <sup>2</sup> Sing unto the LORD, and praise his Name; \* be telling of his salvation from day to day.
- Declare his honor unto the heathen,\* and his wonders unto all peoples.
- <sup>4</sup> For the LORD is great, and cannot worthily be praised;\* he is more to be feared than all gods.
- As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols; \* but it is the LORD that made the heavens.
- Glory and worship are before him; \* power and honor are in his sanctuary.
- <sup>7</sup> Ascribe unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the peoples, \* ascribe unto the LORD worship and power.
- <sup>8</sup> Ascribe unto the LORD the honor due unto his Name; \* bring presents, and come into his courts.
- <sup>9</sup> O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; \* let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
- <sup>10</sup> Tell it out among the heathen, that the LORD is King, and that it is he who hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved; \*
  - and how that he shall judge the peoples righteously.
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; \* let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.
- Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it; \* then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the LORD.
- <sup>13</sup> For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth; \* and with righteousness to judge the world, and the peoples with his truth.

# 97

#### Dominus regnavit

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is King, the earth may be glad thereof; \* yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.

<sup>2</sup> Clouds and darkness are round about him: \*

righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his seat.

There shall go a fire before him,\* and burn up his enemies on every side.

<sup>4</sup> His lightnings gave shine unto the world: \* the earth saw it, and was afraid.

- The hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD; \* at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- <sup>6</sup> The heavens have declared his righteousness, \* and all the peoples have seen his glory.
- Onfounded be all they that worship carved images, and that delight in vain gods: \* worship him, all ye gods.
- Zion heard of it, and rejoiced; and the daughters of Judah were glad, \* because of thy judgments, O LORD.
- <sup>9</sup> For thou, LORD, art higher than all that are in the earth: \* thou art exalted far above all gods.
- O ye that love the LORD, see that ye hate the thing which is evil: \* the Lord preserveth the souls of his saints; he shall deliver them from the hand of the ungodly.
- <sup>11</sup> There is sprung up a light for the righteous,\* and joyful gladness for such as are true-hearted.
- <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous; \* and give thanks for a remembrance of his holiness.

# DAY 19: EVENING PRAYER

# 98

#### Cantate Domino

- O sing unto the LORD a new song; \* for he hath done marvelous things.
- With his own right hand, and with his holy arm, \* hath he gotten himself the victory.
- The LORD declared his salvation; \*
  his righteousness hath he openly showed
  in the sight of the heathen.
- <sup>4</sup> He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel; \* and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.
- <sup>5</sup> Show yourselves joyful unto the LORD, all ye lands; \* sing, rejoice, and give thanks.
- 6 Praise the LORD upon the harp; \* sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.
- With trumpets also and shawms,\*
  O show yourselves joyful before the LORD, the King.
- Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is; \* the round world, and they that dwell therein.
- Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the LORD; \* for he is come to judge the earth.
- With righteousness shall he judge the world, and the peoples with equity.

#### Dominus regnavit

- <sup>1</sup> The LORD is King, be the people never so impatient; \* he sitteth between the Cherubim, be the earth never so unquiet.
- <sup>2</sup> The LORD is great in Zion \* and high above all people.
- They shall give thanks unto thy Name, \* which is great, wonderful, and holy.
- <sup>4</sup> The King's power loveth judgment; thou hast prepared equity, \* thou hast executed judgment and righteousness in Jacob.
- O magnify the LORD our God, and fall down before his footstool; \* for he is holy.
- Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name: \* these called upon the LORD, and he heard them.
- He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar; \* for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them.
- Thou heardest them, O LORD our God; \* thou forgavest them, O God, though thou didst punish their wicked doings.
- O magnify the LORD our God, and worship him upon his holy hill; \* for the LORD our God is holy.

# 100

#### Jubilate Deo

O be joyful in the LORD, all ye lands; \* serve the LORD with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure 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.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; \*

be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

<sup>4</sup> For the LORD is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; \* and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

## 101

### Misericordiam et judicium

My song shall be of mercy and judgment; \* unto thee, O LORD, will I sing.

<sup>2</sup> O let me have understanding \* in the way of godliness!

When wilt thou come unto me? \*
I will walk in my house with a perfect heart.

<sup>4</sup> I will take no wicked thing in hand; I hate the sins of unfaithfulness; \* there shall no such cleave unto me.

<sup>5</sup> A froward heart shall depart from me; \* I will not know a wicked person.

Whoso privily slandereth his neighbor, \* him will I destroy.

Whoso hath also a haughty look and a proud heart, \* I will not suffer him.