**PSALM 123**

Nisi quia Dominus.

*The church giveth glory to God for her deliverance from the hands of her enemies.*

A gradual canticle.

**1** If it had not been that the Lord was with us, let Israel now say:

**2** If it had not been that the Lord was with us, When men rose up against us,

**3** perhaps they had swallowed us up alive. When their fury was enkindled against us,

**4** perhaps the waters had swallowed us up.

**5** Our soul hath passed through a torrent: perhaps our soul had passed through a water insupportable.

**6** Blessed be the Lord, who hath not given us to be a prey to their teeth.

**7** Our soul hath been delivered as a sparrow out of the snare of the fowlers. The snare is broken, and we are delivered.

**8** Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.