**PSALM 13**

Dixit insipiens. 1.

*The general corruption of man before our redemption by Christ.*

**1** Unto the end, a psalm for David.

THE fool hath said in his heart: There is no God. They are corrupt, and are become abominable in their ways: there is none that doth good, no not one.

**2** The Lord hath looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there be any that understand and seek God.

**3** They are all gone aside, they are become unprofitable together: there is none that doth good, no not one. Their throat is an open sepulchre: with their tongues they acted deceitfully; the poison of asps is under their lips. Their mouth is full of cursing and bitterness; their feet are swift to shed blood. Destruction and unhappiness in their ways: and the way of peace they have not known: there is no fear of God before their eyes.

**4** Shall not all they know that work iniquity, who devour my people as they eat bread?

**5** They have not called upon the Lord: there have they trembled for fear, where there was no fear.

**6** For the Lord is in the just generation: you have confounded the counsel of the poor man, but the Lord is his hope.

**7** Who shall give out of Sion the salvation of Israel? when the Lord shall have turned away the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice and Israel shall be glad.