Ps 118-1

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| Fr. Lazarus | Edited | Burmester | Burmester-modernized | AI | Psalter according 70 | Psalter for prayer | NETS | Brenton | OSB |
| (Alleluia) | (Alleluia) |  |  |  |  | Alleluia. | Halleloua. | Alleluia. | Alleluia. |
| 1 Blessed are they who are faultless in the way,[[1]](#footnote-1)  who live by the law of the Lord.[[2]](#footnote-2) | 1 Blessed are the blameless in the way,[[3]](#footnote-3)  who walk in the law of the Lord.[[4]](#footnote-4) | Blessed are the blameless in the way, who walk in the Law of the Lord. |  | Blessed (are) the blameless in the way, who walk in the Law of the Lord. |  | ALEPH  BLESSED are the blameless in the way, who walk in the Law of the Lord. | Happy are the blameless in way,  who walk in the Lord’s law. | Blessed are the blameless in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord. | Blessed are the blameless in the way  Who walk in the law of the Lord. |
| 2 Blessed are they who search out His testimonies,[[5]](#footnote-5)  who seek Him with their whole heart.[[6]](#footnote-6) | 2 Blessed are they who search out His testimonies;[[7]](#footnote-7)  They will seek Him with their whole heart.[[8]](#footnote-8) | Blessed are they who examine His testimonies, who seek Him with all their heart. |  | Blessed (are) they who search out His testimonies, who seek Him with all their heart. |  | Blessed are they that search into His testimonies; with their whole heart shall they seek after Him. | Happy are those who search out his testimonies;  wholeheartedly they will seek him. | Blessed are they that search out his testimonies: they will diligently seek him with the whole heart. | Blessed are those who search out His testimonies;  They shall search for Him with their whole heart. |
| 3 For those whose work is sin  do not walk in His ways. | 3 For those who work lawlessness  do not walk in His ways. | For those who work iniquity have not desired to walk in His ways. |  | For those who work iniquity have not desired to walk in His ways. |  | For they who do no wickedness have walked in His ways. | For those who practice lawlessness  did not walk in his ways. | For they that work iniquity have not walked in his ways. | For those who work lawlessness  Do not walk in His ways. |
| 4 You have ordered Your commandments  to be strictly observed. | 4 You commanded Your commandments  to be kept diligently. | Thou, Thou hast commanded us to keep Thy commandments diligently. |  | Thou hast commanded Thine ordinances to be kept diligently. |  | Thou hast charged that we shall diligently keep Thy commandments. | It is you who commanded your commandments  to keep diligently. | Thou hast commanded us diligently to keep thy precepts. | You commanded us regarding Your commandments,  That we should be very diligent to keep them. |
| 5 O that my ways were directed  to the observance of Your rights! | 5 O that my ways may be directed  to keep Your ordinances[[9]](#footnote-9)! | O that my ways were upright to keep Thy statutes! |  | O that my ways were upright to keep Thy truths! |  | O that my ways were so directed, as to keep Thy statutes! | O that my ways may be directed  to keep your statutes! | O that my ways were directed to keep thine ordinances. | Would that my ways were led,  That I might keep Your ordinances. |
| 6 Then I shall not be ashamed,  when I regard all Your commandments. | 6 Then I will not be ashamed,  when I regard all Your commandments. | 6 Then I shall not be ashamed, if I look upon all Thy commandments. |  | Then I shall not be ashamed, when I look upon all Thy commandments. |  | Then should I not be confounded, when I consider all Thy commandments. | Then I shall not be put to shame,  as I regard all your commandments. | Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect to all thy commandments. | Then I would not be ashamed  When I regard all Your commandments. |
| 7 I will praise and thank You with an upright heart,  as I learn the justice of Your judgments. | 7 I will confess[[10]](#footnote-10) You, O Lord, with an upright heart,  when I learn of the judgments of Your righteousness. | I will confess Thee, Lord, with uprightness of my heart, on knowing the judgments of Thy statutes. |  | I will confess Thee, O Lord, with upright­ness of my heart, on knowing the judgements of Thy justice. |  | I will thank Thee with an unfeigned heart, when I shall have learned the judgments of Thy righteousness. | I will acknowledge you [O Lord] with uprightness of heart,  when I have learned the judgments of your righteousness. | I will give thee thanks with uprightness of heart, when I have learnt the judgments of thy righteousness. | I will give thanks to You, O Lord, with an upright heart,  When I learn the judgments of Your righteousness. |
| 8 I will observe Your rights;  O forsake me not utterly. | 8 I will keep Your ordinances;  do not utterly forsake me. | And Thy statutes I will keep: forsake me not utterly. |  | And Thy truths I will keep: forsake me not utterly. |  | I will keep Thy statutes; O forsake me not utterly. | Your statutes I will observe;  do not utterly forsake me. | I will keep thine ordinances: O forsake me not greatly. | I shall keep Your ordinances;  Do not utterly forsake me. |

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5. *Testimonies* are God’s works and creations through which we see and know God (Rom. 1:19-24), the Tabernacle, Ark and Mercy-Seat, the Covenant, His words and commandments, the whole Bible, the Church and Mysteries (Jn. 5:39), especially the Decalogue Laws, abiding testimonies of the Covenant, called the Testimony (Ex. 25:16; 27:21). [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
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9. [JS] or “statutes”. Fr. Athanasius has, “truths”. [↑](#footnote-ref-9)
10. [JS] Fr. Lazarus has “praise and thank”. Could be rendered, “thankfully confess You with praise”. [↑](#footnote-ref-10)