

11 The children of Pahath-Boab, of the children of Ieshua, and Joab, two thousand, and eight hundred, and eighteene.

12 The children of Elam, a thousand, two hundred, fiftie and foure.

13 The children of Zattu, eight hundred fourtie and five.

14 The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.

15 The children of Binnui, six hundred, fourty and eight.

16 The children of Bebai, six hundred, twentie and eight.

17 The children of Azgad, two thousand, three hundred, twentie and two.

18 The children of Adonikam, six hundred, threescore and seven.

19 The children of Biguai, two thousand, threescore and seven.

20 The children of Adin, six hundred, fiftie and five.

21 The children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninetie and eight.

22 The children of Hashum, three hundred, twentie and eight.

23 The children of Bezai, three hundred twentie and foure.

24 The children of Hariph, an hundred and twelue.

25 The children of Gibeon, ninetie and five.

26 The men of Bethlehem, and Netophah, an hundred, fourescore and eight.

27 The men of Anathoth, an hundred, twentie and eight.

28 The men of Bethazmaueth, fourtie and two.

29 The men of Kiriath-earim, Chephirah and Beeroth, seven hundred fourtie and three.

30 The men of Ramah and Geba, six hundred, twentie and one.

31 The men of Michmash, an hundred and twenty and two.

32 The men of Bethel and Ai, an hundred, twentie and three.

33 The men of the other Nebo, fiftie and two.

34 The children of the other Elam, a thousand, two hundred, fiftie & foure.

35 The children of Harim, three hundred and twentie.

36 The children of Jericho, three hundred, fourtie and five.

37 The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred, twentie and one.

38 The children of Senaa, three

thousand, nine hundred, and thirty.

39 The Priests. The children of *Jedaia, of the house of Ieshua, nine hundred, seuentie and three.

40 The children of Immer, a thousand, fiftie and two.

41 The children of Pashur, a thousand, two hundred, fourtie and seven.

42 The children of Harim, a thousand, and seuentie.

43 The Levites. The children of Ieshua, of Kadmiel, and of the children of Hodeuah, seuentie and foure.

44 The singers. The children of Alaph, an hundred, fourtie and eight.

45 The porters. The children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, an hundred, thirtie and eight.

46 The Rethinims. The children of Ziha, the children of Hashupha, the children of Tabaoth,

47 The children of Keros, the children of Sia, the children of Padon,

48 The children of Lebana, the children of Hagaba, the children of Shalmi,

49 The children of Hanan, the children of Giddel, the children of Sahar,

50 The children of Beaiah, the children of Bezin, the children of Bekoda,

51 The children of Gazzam, the children of Uzza, the children of Phaseah,

52 The children of Besai, the children of Meunim, the children of Mephithesim,

53 The children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur,

54 The children of Baslith, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha,

55 The children of Barkos, the children of Sisera, the children of Tamah,

56 The children of Reziab, the children of Hatipha.

57 The children of Solomons seruants: The children of Sotai, the children of Sophereth, the children of Perida,

58 The children of Jaala, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel,

59 The children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Doche-reth Zebaim, the children of Amon,

60 All the Rethinims, and the children of Solomons seruants, were three hundred ninetie and two.

61 *And these were they which went

*1. Chro. 24.7.

|| Or, Hodaiah, Ezra 2.4. Or, Iudab, Ezra. 3.9

|| Or, Jora.

|| Or, Gibbar.

|| Or, Azma-uth.

|| Or, Kiriath-arim.

*See ver. 12.

|| Or, Ami.

*Ezra. 2. 43.

CHAP. VIII.

1 The religious maner of reading and hearing the Law. 9 They comfort the people. 13 The forwardnesse of them to heare and be instructed. 16 They keepe the feast of Tabernacles.

AND all the people gathered themselves together, as one man, into the street that was before the water gate,* and they spake vnto Ezra the scribe, to bring the booke of the Law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded to Israel.

* Ezra 3.1. and 7.6.

2 And Ezra the priest brought the Law before the Congregation, both of men and women, and all † that could heare with vnderstanding, vpon the first day of the seventh moneth.

† Heb. that vnderstood in hearing.

3 And hee read therein before the street that was before the water gate, † from the morning vntill midday, before the men and the women, and those that could vnderstand: And the eares of all the people were attentiu vnto the booke of the law.

† Heb. from the light.

4 And Ezra the scribe, stood vpon a pulpit of wood, which they had made for the purpose, and beside him stood Mattithiah, and Shema, and Anaiah, and Urijah, and Hilkiah, and Maaseiah, on his right hand: and on his left hand, Pedaiah, and Mischael, and Malchiah, and Hashum, and Hashbadana, Zechariah, and Meshullam.

† Heb. source of wood.

5 And Ezra opened the booke in the † sight of all the people (for hee was aboue al the people) and when he opened it, all the people stood by:

† Hebr. eye.

6 And Ezra blessed the LORD the great God: and al the people answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting by their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped the LORD, with their faces to the ground.

7 Also Ieshua and Bani, and She-rebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodijah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Leuites, caused the people to vnderstand the law: and the people stood in their place.

8 So they read in the booke, in the Law of God distinctly, and gaue the sense, and caused them to vnderstand the reading.

9 And Nehemiah, which is the Tirshatha, and Ezra the Priest the Scribe, and the Leuites that taught the

† Or, the g- uernour,

by also from Tel-Melah, Tel-Harsa, Cherub, Addon, and Immer: but they could not shewe their fathers house, nor their † seede, whether they were of Israel.

† Or, ped- gree.

62 The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six hundred fourtie and two.

63 And of the priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of Kos, the children of Barzillai, which tooke one of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite to wife, and was called after their name.

64 These sought their register, among those that were reckoned by genealogie, but it was not found: therfore were they, as polluted, put from the priesthood.

† Or, the go- uernour.

65 And † the Tirshatha said vnto them, that they should not eate of the most holy things, till there stood vp a priest with Urin and Thummin.

66 The whole congregation together, was fourtie and two thousand, three hundred and threescore:

67 Beside their man seruants, and their maid seruants, of whome there were seven thousand, three hundred, thirtie and seven: and they had two hundred fourtie and five singing men and singing women.

68 Their horses, seven hundred, thirtie and six: their mules, two hundred fourtie and five:

69 Their camels, foure hundred thirtie and five: six thousand, seven hundred and twentie asses.

† Hebr. part.

70 And † some of the chiefe of the fathers, gaue vnto the worke: The Tirshatha gaue to the treasure, a thousand drammes of gold, fiftie basons, five hundred and thirtie priests garments.

71 And some of the chiefe of the fathers gaue to the treasure of the worke twenty thousand drammes of golde, and two thousand and two hundred pound of siluer.

72 And that which the rest of the people gaue, was twenty thousand drammes of gold, and two thousand pound of siluer, and threescore and seven priests garments.

73 So the priests, and the Leuites, and the porters, and the singers, and some of the people, and the Bethinims, and all Israel, dwelt in their cities: And when the seventh moneth came, the children of Israel were in their cities.

C H A P. IX.

the people, said vnto all the people, This day is holy vnto the LORD your God, mourne not, nor weepe: for all the people wept, when they heard the wordes of the Law.

10 Then hee sayd vnto them, Goe your way, eat the fat, & drinke the sweet, and send portions vnto them, for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy vnto our LORD: neither be ye sorry, for the ioy of the LORD is your strength.

11 So the Leuites stilled all the people, saying, holde your peace, for the day is holy, neither be ye grieued.

12 And all the people went their way to eate, and to drinke, and to send portions, and to make great mirth, because they had vnderstood the wordes that were declared vnto them.

13 And on the second day were gathered together the chiefe of the fathers of all the people, the Priestes and the Leuites, vnto Ezra the Scribe, euen to vnderstand the wordes of the Law.

14 And they found written in the Law which the LORD had commanded by Moses, that the children of Israel should dwell in * boothes, in the feast of the seuenth moneth:

15 And that they should publish and proclaime in all their cities, and in Ierusalem, saying, Goe forth vnto the mount, and fetch Oliue branches, and Pine branches, and Myrtle branches, and Palme branches, and branches of thicke trees, to make boothes, as it is written.

16 So the people went forth, and brought them, and made themselves boothes, euery one vpon the roofe of his house, and in their courts, and in the courts of the house of God, and in the streete of the water-gate, and in the streete of the gate of Ephraim.

17 And all the congregation of them that were come againe out of the captiuitie, made boothes, and sate vnder the boothes: for since the dayes of Ieshua the sonne of Nun, vnto that day, had not the children of Israel done so: and there was very great gladnesse.

18 Also day by day from the first day vnto the last day, he read in the booke of the Law of God: and they kept the feast seuen dayes, and on the eighth day was † a solemne assembly according vnto the maner.

1 A solemne Fast, and repentance of the people. 4 The Leuites make a religious confession of Gods goodnes, and their wickednes.

Now in the * twentie and fourth day of this moneth, the children of Israel were assembled with fasting, & with sackclothes, and earth vpon them.

2 And the seede of Israel separated themselves from all † strangers, and stood and confessed their sinnes, and the iniquities of their fathers.

3 And they stood vp in their place, and read in the booke of the Law of the LORD their God, one fourth part of the day, and another fourth part they confessed and worshipped the LORD their God.

4 Then stood vp, vpon the || staires of the Leuites, Ieshua and Bani, Kadmiel, Shebaniah, Bunni, Sherebiah, Bani, and Chenani, and cryed with a loude voice vnto the LORD their God.

5 Then the Leuites, Ieshua and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hoduiah, Shebaniah, and Pethahiah, sayde, Stand vp, and blesse the LORD your God for euer and euer, and blessed bee thy glorious Name, which is exalted aboue all blessing and praise.

6 Thou, euen thou art LORD alone, * thou hast made heauen, the heauen of heauens, with all their hoste, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preferuest them all, and the hoste of heauen worshippeth thee.

7 Thou art the LORD the God, who diddest choole * Abram, and broughtest him forth out of Ur of the Caldees, and gauest him the name of Abraham:

8 And foundest his heart * faithfull before thee, & madest a * couenant with him, to giue the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Jebusites, and the Girgashites, to giue it, I say, to his seed, and hast performed thy wordes, for thou art righteous,

9 * And didst see the affliction of our fathers in Egypt, and heardest their cry by the red Sea,

10 And shewedst signes * and wonders

* Chap. 8. 2

† Heb. strange children.

|| Or, scaffold.

* Gen. 1. 1.

* Gen. 11. 31. and 12. 1. & 17. 5.

* Gen. 15. 6.

* Gen. 12. 17. and 15. 18. & 17. 9.

* Exod. 3. 7. and 14. 10.

* Exod. 7. 8, 9, 10, 12, & 14. chapters

|| Or, that they might instruct in the words of the Law. † Heb. by the hand of. * Leuit. 23. 34. deut. 16. 13.

† Heb. are-strant.

ders vpon Pharaoh, and on all his ser-
uants, and on all the people of his land:
for thou knewest that they dealt proud-
lie against them: so didst thou get thee a
name, as it is this day.

* Exod. 14.
22.

11 * And thou didst diuide the sea be-
fore them, so that they went through
the midst of the sea on the drie land, and
their persecutors thou threwest into
the deepes, as a stone into the mightie
* Waters.

* Exod. 15.
10.
* Exod. 13.
21.

12 Moreover thou * leddest them in
the day by a cloudy pillar, and in the
night, by a pillar of fire, to giue them
light in the way wherein they should go.

* Exod. 20. 1
and 19. 20.

13 Thou * camest downe also vpon
mount Sinai, and spakest with them
from heauen, and gauest them right
iudgements, and † true lawes, good sta-
tutes and commandements:

† Heb. lawes
of truth.

14 And madest knowen vnto them
thy holy Sabbath, and commandedst
them precepts, statutes, and lawes, by
the hand of Moses thy seruant:

* Exod. 16.
15. & 17. 6.
num. 20. 9.

15 And * gauest them bread from hea-
uen for their hunger, and broughtest
forth water for them out of the rocke,
for their thirst, and promisedst them
that they should * goe in to possesse the
land, † which thou hadst swozne to giue
them.

* Deut. 1. 8
† Heb. which
thou hadst
lift up thine
hand to giue
them.

16 But they and our fathers dealt
proudly, and hardened their necks, and
hearkned not to thy commandements:

* Num. 14.
4.

17 And refused to obey, neither were
mindful of the wonders that thou didst
among them: but hardened their necks,
and in their rebellion appointed * a cap-
taine to returne to their bondage: but
thou art † a God ready to pardon, graci-
ous and mercifull, slow to anger, and
of great kindnes, & forsookest them not.

† Heb. a god
of pardons.

* Exo. 32. 4

18 *Pea* * When they had made them a
molten calfe, and said, This is thy God,
that brought thee by out of Egypt, and
had wrought great prouocations:

* Exod. 13.
22. num. 14
14. 1. cor.
10. 1.

19 Yet thou, in thy manifold mercies,
forsookest them not in the wilderness:
the * pillar of the cloude departed not
from them by day, to leade them in the
way, neither the pillar of fire by night,
to shew them light, and the way wher-
in they should goe.

* Num. 11.
17.

20 Thou gauest also thy * good spi-
rit, to instruct them, and withheldst
not thy * Manna from their mouth, and
gauest them water for their thirst.

* Exod. 16.
15. & 17. 6
10. 5. 12.

21 *Pea* fourtie yeeres diddest thou
sustaine them in the wilderness, so that

they lacked nothing: their * clothes wax-
ed not old, and their feet swelled not.

* Deut. 8. 4

22 Moreover, thou gauest them
kingdomes and nations, and didst di-
uide them into corners: so they possessed
the land of * Sihon, and the land of the
king of Heshbon, and the land of Og
king of Bashan.

* Num. 21.
21. & c.

23 Their children also multipliedst
thou as the starres of heauen, and
broughtest them into the land, concer-
ning which thou hadst promised to
their fathers, that they should goe in to
possesse it.

24 So the children went in, and pos-
sessed the land, and thou subduedst be-
fore them the inhabitants of the lande,
the Canaanites, and gauest them into
their hands, with their kings, and the
people of the land, that they might doe
with them, † as they would.

† Heb. accor-
ding to their
will.

25 And they tooke strong cities, and
a fat land, and possessed houses ful of all
goods, || Welles digged, vineyards, and
Oliue yards, and † fruit trees in abun-
dance: So they did eat and were filled,
and became fat, and delighted them-
selues in thy great goodnesse.

|| Or, cisternes
† Heb. tree
of food.

26 Neuerthelesse, they were disobe-
dient, and rebelled against thee, and cast
thy law behind their backes, and slewe
thy * prophets, which testified against
them to turne them to thee, and they
wrought great prouocations.

* 1. King 19
20.

27 Therefore thou deliueredst them
into the hande of their enemies, who
bered them, & in the time of their trou-
ble, when they cried vnto thee, thou
heardest them from heauen: and accor-
ding to thy manifold mercies, thou ga-
uest them sauiours, who saued them out
of the hand of their enemies.

28 But after they had rest, † they did
euill againe before thee: therefore ledest
thou them in the hand of their enemies,
so that they had the dominion ouer
them: yet when they returned and cri-
ed vnto thee, thou heardest them from
heauen, and many times didst thou de-
liuer them, according to thy mercies:

† Heb. they
returned to
doe euill.

29 And testifiedst against them, that
thou mightest bring them againe vnto
thy lawe: yet they dealt proudly, and
hearkened not vnto thy commaunde-
ments, but sinned against thy iudge-
ments, (which if a man doe, he shall liue
in them) † and withdrew the shoulder,
and hardened their necke, and would
not heare.

† Heb. they
gaue a with-
drawing
shoulder.

† Heb. protract ouer them.
* 2. King. 17. 13. 2.
chr. 36. 15.
† Heb. in the hand of thy Prophets.

30 Yet many yeres diddest thou † for-
beare them, and testifiedst * against them
by thy Spirit † in thy Prophets : yet
would they not giue eare : therefore ga-
uest thou them into the hand of the peo-
ple of the lands.

31 Neuerthelesse, for thy great mer-
cies sake, thou diddest not vtterly con-
sume them, nor forsake them : for thou
art a gracious and mercifull God.

* Exo. 34. 6.

† Heb. wea-
rinesse.
† Heb. that
hath found
vs.

32 Now therefore, our God, the
great, the * mightie, and the terrible
God, who keepest couenant and mer-
cie: let not all the † trouble seeme little
before thee, † that hath come vpon vs,
on our Kings, on our Princes, & on our
Priests, and on our Prophets, & on our
fathers, & on al thy people, since the time
of the Kings of Assyria, vnto this day.

33 Howbeit, thou art iust in all that is
brought vpon vs, for thou hast done
right, but we haue done wickedly :

34 Neither haue our kings, our
Princes, our Priests, nor our fathers
kept thy Law, nor hearkened vnto thy
Commandements, and thy Testimo-
nies, wherewith thou didst testifie a-
gainst them.

35 For they haue not serued thee in
their kingdome, and in thy great good-
nesse that thou gauest them, and in the
large and fat land which thou gauest
before them, neither turned they from
their wicked workes.

36 Behold, we are seruaunts this day;
and for the land that thou gauest vnto
our fathers, to eat the fruit thereof, and
the good thereof, behold, wee are ser-
uaunts in it.

37 And it yeeldeth much increase vn-
to the kings, whom thou hast set ouer
vs, because of our sinnes : also they haue
dominion ouer our bodie, and ouer
our cattell, at their pleasure; and wee
are in great distresse.

38 And because of all this, wee make
a sure couenant, and write it, and our
Princes, Leuites, and Priestes, † seale
vnto it.

CHAP. X.

- 1 The names of them that sealed the couenant.
- 29 The points of the couenant.

† Heb. are
at the sea-
ling, or sea-
led.

† Heb. at the
sealing.
|| Or, the go-
uernour.



Now those † that sealed
were, Nehemiah the Tir-
shatha the sonne of Ha-
chaliah, and Zidkiah,
2 Seraiah, Azariah,
Jeremiah,

3 Pashur, Amariah, Malchiah,
4 Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch,
5 Harim, Meremoth, Obadiah,
6 Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch,
7 Meshullam, Abiah, Miamin,
8 Maaziah, Bilgai, Shemaiah :
these were the Priests.

9 And the Leuites : both Ieshua
the sonne of Azariah, Binnui, of the
sonnes of Henadad, Kadmiel :

10 And their brethren, Shebaniah,
Hodiah, Kelita, Pelaiiah, Hanan,
11 Micah, Rehob, Hashabiah,
12 Zaccur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah,
13 Hodiah, Bani, Beninu,
14 The chiefe of the people. Parosh,
Pahath Moab, Elam, Zattu, Bani,
15 Bunni, Azgad, Bebai,
16 Adoniah, Biguai, Adin,
17 Ater, Hizkiah, Azzur,
18 Hodiah, Hashum, Bezai,
19 Hariph, Anathoth, Nebai,
20 Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir,
21 Meshazabeel, Zadok, Jaddua,
22 Delatiah, Hanan, Anaiah,
23 Hoshea, Hananiah, Hashub,
24 Halloheh, Pileha, Shobek,
25 Rehum, Hashabnah, Maaseiah,
26 And Ahiah, Hanan, Anan,
27 Malluch, Harim, Baanah.

28 * And the rest of the people, the
Priests, the Leuites, the Porters, the
singers, the Methunims, and all they
that had separated themselves from
the people of the lands, vnto the Law
of God, their wives, their sonnes, and
their daughters, euery one hauing
knowledge, and hauing vnderstan-
ding.

* Ezz. 2. 4 3

29 They claue to their brethren their
nobles, and entred into a curse, and into
an oath to walke in Gods law, which
was giuen † by Moses the seruant of
God, and to obserue and doe all the
commandements of the LORD our
Lord, and his Judgements, and his
statutes :

† Heb. by the
hand of.

30 And that we would not giue * our
daughters vnto the people of the land,
nor take their daughters for our
sonnes.

* Exo. 34. 16
deut. 7. 3.

31 * And if the people of the land bring
Ware or any victuals on the Sabbath
day, to sell, that we would not buy it of
them on the Sabbath, or on the holy-
day, and that wee would leaue the
seventh yeere, and the * exaction of † eue-
rie debt.

* Exod. 20.
10. leui. 23.
3. deut. 5.
12. nehem.
13. 23.

32 Also we made ordinances for vs,
to

* Deut. 15. 2
leuit. 25. 4.
† Heb. euery
hand.

to charge our selues peereley, with the third part of a shekel, for the seruice of the house of our God,

33 For the shew-bread, and for the continuall meate-offering, and for the continuall burnt offering, of the Sabbaths, of the new moones, for the set-feastes, and for the holy things, and for the sin-offerings, to make an atonement for Israel, and for all the worke of the house of our God.

34 And we cast the lots among the priests, the Levites, and the people, for the wood offering, to bring it into the house of our God, after the houses of our fathers, at times appointed, yeere by yeere, to burne vpon the altar of the LORD our God, as it is written in the law:

35 And to bring the first fruits of our ground, and the first fruites of all fruit of all trees, yeere by yeere, vnto the house of the LORD.

36 Also the first borne of our sonnes, and of our cattell (as it is written in the lawe) and the firstlings of our heards, and of our flockes, to bring to the house of our God, vnto the priests that minister in the house of our God:

37 And that we should bring the first fruits of our dough, and our offerings, and the fruit of all maner of trees, of wine and of oyle, vnto the priests, to the chambers of the house of our God, and the tithes of our ground vnto the Levites, that the same Levites might haue the tithes, in all the cities of our tillage.

38 And the priest the sonne of Aaron, shall be with the Levites, *when the Levites take tithes, and the Levites shall bring by the tithe of the tithes vnto the house of our God, to the chambers into the treasure house.

39 For the children of Israel, and the children of Levi, shall bring the offering of the corne, of the new wine, and the oyle, vnto the chambers, where are the vessels of the sanctuarie, and the priests that minister, and the porters, and the singers, and we will not forsake the house of our God.

CHAP. XI.

1 The rulers, voluntary men, and the tenth man chosen by Lot, dwell at Ierusalem. 3 A catalogue of their names. 20 The residue dwell in other cities.

And the rulers of the people dwell at Ierusalem: the rest of the people also cast lots, to bring one of tenne, to dwell in Ierusalem, the holy citie, and nine parts to dwell in other cities.

2 And the people blessed all the men, that willingly offered themselues, to dwell at Ierusalem.

3 Now these are the chiefe of the prouince that dwell in Ierusalem: but in the cities of Iudah dwell euerie one in his possession in their cities, to wit, Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the Methinims, and the children of Solomons seruants.

4 And at Ierusalem dwell certaine of the children of Iudah, and of the children of Benjamin. Of the children of Iudah: Athaiah the sonne of Uzziah, the sonne of Zechariah, the sonne of Amariah, the sonne of Shephatiah, the sonne of Bahalaleel, of the children of Perez.

5 And Maaseiah the sonne of Baruch the sonne of Col-Hozeh, the sonne of Hazaiiah the sonne of Adaiiah, the sonne of Joiarib, the sonne of Zechariah, the sonne of Shiloni.

6 All the sonnes of Perez that dwell at Ierusalem, were foure hundred threescore and eight valiant men.

7 And these are the sonnes of Benjamin: Sallu the sonne of Meshullam, the sonne of Joed, the sonne of Pedaiiah, the sonne of Kolaiiah, the sonne of Maaseiah, the sonne of Ichiel, the sonne of Iesaiiah.

8 And after him Gabai, Sallai, nine hundred twentie and eight.

9 And Joel the sonne of Zichri was their ouerleer: and Judah the sonne of Senuah, was second ouer the city.

10 Of the Priests: Jedaiah the sonne of Joiarib, Jachin;

11 Seraiah the sonne of Hilkiah, the sonne of Meshullam, the sonne of Zadok, the sonne of Meraioth, the sonne of Ahitub, was the ruler of the house of God.

12 And their brethren that did the worke of the house, were eight hundred twentie and two: and Adaiiah the sonne of Jeroham, the sonne of Pelaliah, the sonne of Amzi, the sonne of Zechariah, the sonne of Pashur, the sonne of Malchiah,

13 And

* See num. 28. & 29. chap. and Exod. 23. 19. and Leuit. 19. 23.

* Exod. 13. 2. Leuit. 23. 17. num. 15. 19. and 18. 12. &c.

* Num. 18. 26.

13 And his brethren, chiefe of the fathers, two hundred fourty and two: and Amasai the sonne of Azareel, the sonne of Ahalai, the sonne of Bethilemoth, the sonne of Immer.

14 And their brethren mighty men of valour, an hundred twenty and eight: and their ouerseer was Zabdiel, the sonne of one of the great men.

15 Also of the Leuites: Shemaiah the sonne of Hashub, the sonne of Azrikam, the sonne of Hashabiah, the sonne of Bunni.

16 And Shabbethai, and Jozabad, of the chiefe of the Leuits, had the ouersight of the outward businesse of the house of God.

17 And Mattaniah the sonne of Micha, the sonne of Zabdi, the sonne of Asaph, was the principall to beginne the thanksgiving in prayer: and Bakbukiah the second among his brethren, and Abda the sonne of Shammua, the sonne of Galal, the sonne of Jeduthun.

18 All the Leuites in the holy City, were two hundred, fourescore and foure.

19 Moreover, the porters, Akkub, Talmon, and their brethren that kept the gates, were an hundred seuenty and two.

20 And the residue of Israel, of the Priests and the Leuites, were in all the cities of Iudah, every one in his inheritance.

21 * But the Pethinims dwelt in Ophel: and Ziha, and Gспа were ouer the Pethinims.

22 The ouerseer also of the Leuites at Ierusalem, was Uzzi the sonne of Bani, the son of Hashabiah, the sonne of Mattaniah, the sonne of Micha: Of the sonnes of Asaph, the singers were ouer the businesse of the house of God.

23 For it was the kings commandement concerning them, that a certaine portion should be for the singers, due for euery day.

24 And Bethahiah the sonne of Meshazel, of the children of Zerah the sonne of Iudah, was at the kings hand in all matters concerning the people.

25 And for the villages, with their fields, some of the children of Iudah dwelt at Kiriat-arba, and in the villages thereof; and at Dibon, and in the villages thereof, and at Jekabzeel, and in the villages thereof:

26 And at Ieshua, and at Moladah, and at Beth-phelet,

27 And at Hazer-Shual, and at Beer-sheba and in the villages thereof:

28 And at Ziglag, and at Bethonah, and in the villages thereof:

29 And at En-Rimmon, and at Zareah, and at Jarmuth,

30 Zanoah, Adullam, and in their villages, at Lachish, and the fieldes thereof: at Azekah, and in the villages thereof. And they dwelt from Beer-sheba, vnto the valley of Hinnom.

31 The children also of Benjamin, from Geba, dwelt at Michmash, and Aiia, and Beth-el, and in their villages:

32 And at Anathoth, Nob, Ananiah,

33 Hazor, Ramah, Gittaim,

34 Hadid, Zeboim, Neballat,

35 Lod, and Ono, the valley of craft-men.

36 And of the Leuites, were diuisions in Iudah, and in Benjamin.

CHAP. XII.

- 1 The Priests, 8 and the Leuites which came vp with Zerubbabel. 10 The succession of hie Priests. 22 Certaine chiefe Leuites. 27 The solemnitie of the dedication of the walls. 44 The offices of Priests and Leuites appointed in the Temple.

NOW these are the *Priests and the Leuits that went vp with Zerubbabel the sonne of Shealtiel, and Ieshua: Seraiah, Jeremiah, Ezra,

2 Amariah, || Malluch, Hattush,

3 || Shecaniah, || Behum, || Peremoth,

4 Jodo, || Ginneho, Abiah,

5 || Miamin, || Madiah, Bigah,

6 Shemaiah, & Joiarib, Jedaiah,

7 || Sallu, Amok, Hilkiah, Jedaiah:

these were the chiefe of the Priests, and of their brethren in the dayes of Ieshua.

8 Moreover the Leuites: Ieshua, Binnui, Kadmiel, Sherebiah, Judah, and Mattaniah, which was ouer the thanksgiving, he and his brethren.

9 Also Bakbukiah, and Anni, their brethren, were ouer against them in the watches.

10 And Ieshua begate Joiakim, Joiakim also begate Eliashib, and Eliashib begate Joiada.

11 And Joiada begate Jonathan, and Jonathan begate Jaddua.

12 And in the dayes of Joiakim, were Priests the chiefe of the fathers:

of

|| Or, the sonne of Haggadadim.

† Hebr. were ouer.

† Hebr. at the gates.

* See Chap. 2. 26.

|| Or, the tower.

|| Or, a sure ordinance.

|| Or, of Geba.

|| Or, to Michmash.

* Ezra 2. 1.

|| Or, Melichu, ver. 14.

|| Or, Sebaniah, ver. 14.

|| Or, Harim, ver. 15.

|| Or, Merathoth, ver. 15.

|| Or, Ginnehon, ver. 16.

|| Or, Miniamin, ver. 17.

|| Or, Moadiah, ver. 17.

|| Or, Sallai, ver. 20.

|| That is, the Psalmes of thanksgiving.

of Seraiah, Heraiah: of Jeremiah, Hananiah:

13 Of Ezra, Meshullam: of Amariah, Jehohanan:

14 Of Melicu, Jonathan: of Shebaniah, Joseph:

15 Of Harim, Adna: of Heraioth, Helkai:

16 Of Jodo, Zechariah: of Ginethon, Meshullam:

17 Of Abijah, Zichri: of Benjamin, of Hoadiab, Piltai:

18 Of Bilgah, Shammua: of She-maiah, Jehonathan:

19 And of Joiarib, Mattenai: of Jedaiah, Uzzi:

20 Of Sallai, Ballai: of Amok, Eber:

21 Of Hilkiah, Hashabiah: of Jedaiab, Bethanael.

22 **C** The Levites in the dayes of Eliashib, Joiada, and Johanan, and Jaddua, were recorded chiefe of the fathers: also the Priests, to the reigne of Darius the Persian.

* 1. Chro. 9.

23 The sonnes of Levi, the chiefe of the fathers, were written in the booke of the **C**hronicles, euen vntill the dayes of Johanan the sonne of Eliashib.

24 And the chiefe of the Levites: Hashabiah, Sherebiah, and Jeshua the sonne of Kadmiel, with their brethren ouer against them, to praise and to giue thankes, according to the commandement of Dauid the man of God, ward ouer against ward.

25 Mattaniah, and Bakbukiah, Obadiab, Meshullam, Talmon, Akkub, were porters keeping the ward, at the thresholds of the gates.

|| Or, treasuries, or assemblies.

26 These were in the dayes of Joiakim, the sonne of Jeshua, the sonne of Jozadak, and in the dayes of Nehemiah the gouernour, and of Ezra the Priest, the Scribe.

27 **C** And at the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem, they sought the Levites out of all their places, to bring them to Jerusalem, to keepe the dedication with gladnesse, both with thanksgiuings and with singing, with cymbals, psalteries, and with harpes.

28 And the sonnes of the Singers gathered themselues together, both out of the plaine countrey round about Jerusalem, and from the villages of Bethophathi.

29 Also from the house of Gilgal, and out of the fields of Geba, and Az-

maueth: for the Singers had builded them villages round about Jerusalem.

30 And the Priests and the Levites purified themselues, and purified the people, and the gates, and the wall.

31 Then I brought by the princes of Judah vpon the wall, and appointed two great companies of them that gaue thankes, whereof one went on the right hand vpon the wall toward the dung-gate:

32 And after them went Hothaiab, and halfe of the Princes of Judah,

33 And Azariah, Ezra, and Meshullam,

34 Judah, and Benjamin, and She-maiah, and Jeremiah,

35 And certaine of the Priests sonnes with trumpets: namely, Zechariah the sonne of Jonathan, the sonne of She-maiah, the sonne of Mattaniah, the sonne of Michaiab, the sonne of Zac-cur, the sonne of Alaph:

36 And his brethren, Shemaiah, and Alarael, Bilalai, Gilalai, Maai, Meshanael, and Judah, Hanani, with the muscicall instruments of Dauid the man of God; and Ezra the Scribe before them.

37 And at the fountaine-gate, which was ouer against them, they went by the staires of the citie of Dauid, at the going by of the wall, aboue the house of Dauid, euen vnto the water-gate, Eastward.

38 And the other company of them that gaue thankes, went ouer against them, and I after them, and the halfe of the people vpon the wall, from beyond the towre of the fornaces, euen vnto the broad wall,

39 And from aboue the gate of Ephraim, and aboue the olde gate, and aboue the fish-gate, and the towre of Hananeel, and the towre of Meah, euen vnto the sheepegate; and they stood still in the prison gate.

40 So stood the two companies of them that gaue thankes in the house of God, and I, and the halfe of the rulers with me:

41 And the Priests: Eliakim, Maaseiah, Benjamin, Michaiab, Elioenai, Zachariah, and Hananiah with trumpets:

42 And Maaseiah, and Shemaiah, and Eleazar, and Uzzi, and Jehohanan, and Malchiah, and Elam, and Ezer. And the Singers † sang loud, with

Jezra-

† Heb. made their voice to be heard.

Jezrahiah their ouerleer.

43 Also that day they offered great sacrifices, and reioyced; for God had made them reioyce with great ioy: the wiues also and the children reioyced: so that the ioy of Jerusalem was heard euen afarre off.

44 And at that time were some appointed ouer the chambers for the treasures, for the offerings, for the first fruits, and for the tithes, to gather into them out of the fields of the cities the portions of the law for the priests and Levites: for Judah reioyced for the Priests, & for the Levites that waited.

45 And both the singers and the porters kept the ward of their God, and the ward of the purification, according to the commandement of David, and of Solomon his sonne.

46 For in the dayes of David and Asaph of old, there were chiefe of the singers, and songs of praise and thanksgiving vnto God.

47 And all Israel in the dayes of Zerubbabel, and in the dayes of Nehemiah, gaue the portions of the singers, and the porters, euery day his portion, and they sanctified holy things vnto the Levites, and the Levites sanctified them vnto the children of Aaron.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Vpon the reading of the Law, separation is made from the mixed multitude. 4 Nehemiah at his returne, causeth the chambers to bee cleansed. 10 He reformeth the offices in the house of God. 15 The violation of the Sabbath, 23 & the mariages with strange wiues.

That day they read in the booke of Moyses in the audience of the people, and therein was found written, that the Ammonite and the Moabite should not come into the Congregation of God for ever,

2 Because they met not the children of Israel with bread, and with water, but hired Balaam against them, that he should curse them: howbeit our God turned the curse into a blessing.

3 Now it came to passe when they had heard the law, that they separated from Israel all the mixed multitude.

4 And before this Eliashib the priest having the ouersight of the chamber of the house of our God, was allied vnto Tobiah:

5 And hee had prepared for him a great chamber, where afozetime they laid the meat offerings, the frankincense and the vessels, and the tithes of the corne, the new wine, and the oyle, which was commanded to be giuen to the Levites, and the singers, and the porters, and the offerings of the priests.

6 But in all this time was not I at Jerusalem: for in the two and thirtieth yeere of Artaxerxes king of Babylon, came I vnto the king, and after certaine dayes, obtained I leaue of the King:

7 And I came to Jerusalem, and vnderstood of the euil that Eliashib did for Tobiah, in preparing him a chamber in the courts of the house of God.

8 And it grieued me sore, therefore I cast forth all the household stuffe of Tobiah out of the chamber:

9 Then I commanded, and they cleansed the chambers, and thither brought I againe the vessels of the house of God, with the meate offering, and the frankincense.

10 And I perceiued that the portions of the Levites had not beene giuen them: for the Levites and the singers that did the worke, were fled euery one to his field.

11 Then contended I with the rulers, and said, why is the house of God forsaken: And I gathered them together, and set them in their place.

12 Then brought all Judah the tithe of the corne, and the new wine, and the oyle, vnto the treasures.

13 And I made treasurers ouer the treasures, Shelemiah the priest, and Zadok the scribe, and of the Levites, Pedaiah: and next to them was Hanan the sonne of Zaccur, the sonne of Matthanah: for they were counted faithfull, and their office was to distribute vnto their brethren.

14 Remember me, O my God, concerning this, and wipe not out my good deeds, that I haue done for the house of my God, and for the offices thereof.

15 In those dayes sawe I in Judah, some treading wine presses on the Sabbath, and bringing in sheaves, and lading asses, as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all maner of burdens, which they brought into Jerusalem on the Sabbath day: and I testified against them in the day wherein they solde vituals.

† Hebr. the commandement of the Levites.

† Hebr. at the end of daies. || Or, I earnestly requested.

† Hebr. standing.

|| Or, stores houses.

† Hebr. at their hand.

† Hebr. it was upon them.

* Verse 22.

† Hebr. kindnesses. || Or, obseruations.

|| That is, appointed by the law. † Hebr. for the ioy of Iudah. † Hebr. that stood. 1. Chron. 24. and 25. chap. * 1. Chron. 25. 1. &c.

|| That is, set apart. * Num. 18. 26.

† Hebr. there was read. * Num. 22. 5. deut. 23. 3 † Hebr. cares

* Num. 22. 5. ioh. 24. 9

† Hebr. being set ouer.

16 There dwelt men of Tyre also therein, which brought fish and all manner of ware, and solde on the Sabbath vnto the children of Judah, and in Jerusalem.

17 Then I contended with the Nobles of Judah, and sayd vnto them, what euill thing is this that ye doe, and profane the Sabbath day?

18 Did not your fathers thus, and did not our God bring all this euill vpon vs, and vpon this citie: yet ye bring more wrath vpon Israel, by profaning the Sabbath.

19 And it came to passe, that when the gates of Jerusalem beganne to be darke before the Sabbath, I commanded that the gates should be shut, and charged that they should not be opened till after the Sabbath: and some of my seruants set I at the gates, that there should no burden be brought in on the Sabbath day.

20 So the merchants, and sellers of all kinde of ware, lodged without Jerusalem once or twice.

21 Then I testified against them, and said vnto them, why lodge yee [†] about the wall: If ye doe so againe, I will lay hands on you. From that time forth came they no more on the Sabbath.

22 And I commanded the Levites, that they should cleanse themselves, and that they should come and keepe the gates, to sanctifie the Sabbath day: Remember me, O my God, concerning this also, and spare me, according to the ^{||} greatnesse of thy mercie.

23 ¶ In those dayes also sawe I

Jewes that [†] had married wiues of Athodod, of Ammon, and of Moab:

24 And their children spake halfe in the speech of Athodod, and [†] could not speake in the Jewes language, but according to the language [†] of ech people.

25 And I contended with them, and ^{||} cursed them, and smote certeine of them, and pluckt off their haire, and made them swear by God, saying, Wee shall not giue your daughters vnto their sonnes, nor take their daughters vnto your sonnes, or for your selues.

26 Did not Solomon king of Israel sinne by these things: yet among many nations was there no king like him, who was beloued of his God, and God made him king ouer all Israel: ^{*} neuerthelesse, euen him did outlandish women cause to sinne.

27 Shall wee then hearken vnto you, to doe all this great euill, to transgresse against our God, in marrying strange wiues?

28 And one of the sonnes of Joiada, the sonne of Eliashib the high Priest, was sonne in law to Sanballat the Horonite: therfore I chased him from me.

29 Remember them, O my God, [†] because they haue defiled the Priesthood, and the couenant of the Priesthood, and of the Levites.

30 Thus cleansed I them from all strangers, and appointed the wards of the Priests and the Levites, every one in his businesse:

31 And for the wood-offering, at times appointed, and for the first fruits. Remember me, O my God, for good.

[†] Heb. before the wall.

^{||} Or, multitude.

[†] Heb. had made to dwell with them.
[†] Heb. they discerned not to speake.
[†] Heb. of people and people.
^{||} Or, reuelled them.

^{*} 1. King. 11
1, & c.

[†] Heb. for the defiling.

THE



THE BOOKE OF Esther.

CHAP. I.

1 Ahasuerus maketh royall feasts. 10 Vasthi,
sent for, refuseth to come. 13 Ahasuerus,
by the counsell of Memucan, maketh the
decree of mens soueraignie.

NOW it came to
passe in the dayes
of Ahasuerus,
(this is Ahasue-
rus which reig-
ned from India,
euen vnto Ethio-
pia, ouer an hun-
dred, and seuen
and twentie prouinces.)

2 That in those dayes, when the
King Ahasuerus sate on the throne of
his kingdome, which was in Shushan
the palace:

3 In the third yeere of his reigne,
he made a feast vnto all his Princes, and
his seruants, the power of Persia and
Media, the Nobles and Princes of the
prouinces being before him.

4 When he shewed the riches of his
glorious kingdome, and the honour of
his excellent maiestie, many dayes, euen
an hundred and fourescore dayes.

5 And when these dayes were ex-
pired, the king made a feast vnto all the
people that were † present in Shushan
the palace, both vnto great and small,
seuen dayes, in the court of the garden
of the kings palace,

6 Where were white, greene and † blew
hangings, fastened with cords of fine lin-
nen, and purple, to siluer rings, and pil-
lers of marble: the beds were of gold
and siluer, vpon a pauement of † red,
and blewe, and white, and blacke
marble.

7 And they gaue them drinke in ves-
sels of gold, (the vessels being diuers
one from another) and † royall wine in

abundance, according to the † state of
the king.

8 And the drinkeing was according to
the law, none did compell: for the king
had appointed to all the officers of his
house, that they should doe according to
euery mans pleasure.

9 Also Vasthi the Queene made a
feast for the women, in the royall house
which belonged to king Ahasuerus.

10 **C**ON the seuenth day, when the
heart of the King was merry with
wine, he commanded Behuman, Biz-
tha, Harbona, Bigtha, and Abagtha,
Zethar, and Carcas, the seuen † cham-
berlens that serued in the presence of A-
hasuerus the king,

11 To bring Vasthi the Queene be-
fore the king, with the Crowne royall,
to shew the people, and the Princes her
beautie: for she was † faire to looke on.

12 But the Queene Vasthi refused
to come at the Kings commandement
† by his chamberlens: therefore was
the King very wroth, and his anger
burned in him.

13 **T**HEN the king saide to the wise
men, which knew the times (for so was
the Kings maner towards all that
knew law, and iudgement:

14 And the next vnto him, was Car-
shena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarsis,
Meris, Barsena, and Memucan, the
seuen * Princes of Persia, and Media,
which saw the Kings face, and which
sate the first in the kingdome.)

15 † what shall wee doe vnto the
Queene Vasthi, according to law, be-
cause she hath not performed the com-
mandement of the king Ahasuerus, by
the chamberlens?

16 And Memucan answered before
the king and the Princes: Vasthi the
Queene hath not done wrong to the
king onely, but also to all the Princes,
and to all the people that are in all the

† Hebr. accor-
ding to the
hand of the
king.

|| Or, Eu-
nuches.

† Hebr. good
of counse-
nance.

† Hebr.
which was
by the hand
of his Eu-
nuches.

* Ezra. 7. 14.

† Hebr. what
to doe?

† Hebr.
found.

|| Or, violet.

|| Or, of por-
phyre, and
marble, and
alabaster,
and stone of
blew colour.
† Hebr. wine
of the king-
dome.

provinces of the king Ahasuerus.

17 For this deed of the queene shall come abroad vnto all women, so that they shall despise their husbands in their eyes, when it shall be reported; The king Ahasuerus commanded Valthi the queene to be brought in before him, but she came not.

18 Likewise shall the Ladies of Persia and Media say this day vnto all the kings princes, which haue heard of the deed of the Queene. Thus shall there arise too much contempt and wrath.

† Heb. if it be good with the king.
† Heb. from before him.
† Heb. that it passe not a way.
† Hebr. vnto her companions.

19 † If it please the king, let there go a royall commandement † from him, and let it be written among the lawes of the Persians, and the Medes, † that it be not altered, that Valthi come no more before king Ahasuerus, and let the king giue her royall estate † vnto another that is better then she.

20 And when the kings decree, which he shall make, shall be published throughout all his empire, (for it is great:) all the wives shall giue to their husbands honour, both to great and small.

† Heb. was good in the eyes of the king.

21 And the saying † pleased the king and the princes, and the king did according to the word of Memucan:

22 For he sent letters into all the kings provinces, into euery province, according to the writing thereof, and to euery people after their language, that euery man should beare rule in his owne house, and † that it should be published according to the language of euery people.

† Hebr. that one should publish it according to the language of his people.

C H A P. II.

1 Out of the choise of virgines, a Queene is to be chosen. 5 Mordecai the nursing father of Esther. 8 Esther is preferred by Hegai before the rest. 12 The maner of purification, & going in to the king. 15 Esther best pleasing the king, is made Queene. 21 Mordecai discovering a treason, is recorded in the Chronicles.

After these things, when the wrath of king Ahasuerus was appeased, hee remembered Valthi, and what shee had done, and what was decreed against her.

2 Then saide the kings seruants, that ministred vnto him, Let there be faire yong virgins sought for the king:

3 And let the king appoint officers in all the provinces of his kingdome, that they may gather together all the

faire yong virgins vnto Shushan the palace, to the house of the women vnto the custodie of † Hegai the kings chamberlaine, keeper of the women, and let their things for purification be giuen them:

† Heb. vnto the hand.
† Or, Hegai, ver. 8.

4 And let the maiden which pleaseth the king, be Queene in stead of Valthi. And the thing pleased the king, and he did so.

5 **N**ow in Shushan the palace, there was a certaine Jew, whose name was Mordecai, the sonne of Jair, the sonne of Shimei, the sonne of Kish, a Beniamite,

6 * who had bene caried away from Jerusalem, with the captiuitie which had bene caried away with Jeconiah king of Iudah, whom Nebuchadnezzar the King of Babylon had caried away.

* 2. King. 24. 15. ier. 24. 1 and 2. chro. 36. 10.

7 And hee † brought by Hadassah (that is Esther) his vncles daughter, for she had neither father nor mother, and the maid was † faire and beautiful, whom Mordecai (when her father and mother were dead) tooke for his owne daughter.

† Heb. was raised.

† Heb. faire of forme, and good of countenance.

8 **S**o it came to passe, when the kings commandement and his decree was heard, and when many maidens were gathered together vnto Shushan the palace, to the custodie of Hegai, that Esther was brought also vnto the kings house, to the custodie of Hegai, keeper of the women.

9 And the maiden pleased him, and she obtained kindnesse of him, and hee speedily gaue her her things for purification, with † such things as belonged to her, and seuen maidens, which were meet to be giuen her, out of the kings house, and † hee preferred her and her maids, vnto the best place of the house of the women.

† Heb. her portions.

† Hebr. hee changed her.

10 Esther had not shewed her people, nor her kindred: for Mordecai had charged her, that she should not shew it.

11 And Mordecai walked euery day before the court of the womens house, † to know how Esther did, and what should become of her.

† Heb. to know the peace.

12 **N**ow when euery maids turne was come, to goe in to King Ahasuerus, after that shee had bene twelue moneths, according to the maner of the women (for so were the dayes of their purifications accomplished, to wit, sixe moneths with oile of myrthe, and sixe moneths

Or kindnesse.
† Heb. be-fore him.

† Heb. ref.

Or, Big-
mana, comp.
6.2.
† Heb. she
storehold.

moneths with sweet odours, and with other things for the purifying of the women.)

13 Then thus came every maiden vnto the king, whatsoever she desired, was given her, to goe with her out of the house of the women, vnto the kings house.

14 In the evening she went, and on the morrow she returned into the second house of the women, to the custodie of Shaashgaz the kings chamberlen, which kept the concubines: shee came in vnto the king no more, except the king delighted in her, and that shee were called by name.

15 Now when the turne of Esther, the daughter of Abihail, the vncle of Mordecai (who had taken her for his daughter) was come, to goe in vnto the king: she required nothing, but what Hegai the kings chamberlen the keeper of the women, appointed: And Esther obtained fauour in the sight of all them that looked vpon her.

16 So Esther was taken vnto king Ahasuerus, into his house royall, in the tenth moneth (which is the moneth Tebeth) in the seventh yeere of his reigne.

17 And the king loued Esther aboue all the women, and she obtained grace and fauour † in his sight, more then all the virgins; so that hee set the royall crowne vpon her head, and made her queene, in stead of Vasthi.

18 Then the king made a great feast vnto all his princes and his seruants, euen Esthers feast, and hee made a † release to the prouinces, and gaue gifts, according to the state of the king.

19 And when the virgins were gathered together the second time, then Mordecai sate in the kings gate.

20 Esther had not yet shewed her kindred, nor her people, as Mordecai had charged her: For Esther did the commandement of Mordecai, like as when she was brought by with him.

21 In those dayes, (while Mordecai sate in the kings gate) two of the kings chamberlens, Bigthan and Teresh, of those which kept † the doore, were wroth, and sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus:

22 And the thing was knowen to Mordecai, who told it vnto Esther the Queene, and Esther certified the king thereof, in Mordecais name.

23 And when inquisition was made

of the matter, it was found out; therefore they were both hanged on a tree: and it was written in the booke of the chronicles before the king.

CHAP. III.

1 Haman aduanced by the king, and despised by Mordecai, seeketh reuenge vpon all the Iewes. 7 Hee casteth Lots. 8 Hee obtaineth by calumniation, a Decree of the king, to put the Iewes to death.

After these things did king Ahasuerus promote Haman, the sonne of Amadatha the Agagite, and aduanced him, and set his seate aboue all the princes that were with him.

2 And all the kings seruants, that were in the kings gate, bowed, and reuerenced Haman, for the king had so commanded concerning him: but Mordecai bowed not, nor did him reuerence.

3 Then the kings seruants, which were in the kings gate, sayd vnto Mordecai, why transgresses thou the kings commandement?

4 Now it came to passe, when they spake daily vnto him, and he hearkened not vnto them; that they told Haman, to see whether Mordecai his matters would stand, for he had told them that he was a Iewe.

5 And when Haman saw that Mordecai bowed not, nor did him reuerence, then was Haman full of wrath.

6 And hee thought scorne to lay hands on Mordecai alone, for they had shewed him the people of Mordecai: wherefore Haman sought to destroy all the Iewes, that were throughout the whole kingdome of Ahasuerus, euen the people of Mordecai.

7 In the first moneth (that is, the moneth Nisan) in the twelfth yeere of king Ahasuerus, they cast Pur, that is, the lot, before Haman, from day to day, and from moneth to moneth, to the twelfth moneth, that is the moneth Adar.

8 And Haman saide vnto king Ahasuerus: There is a certaine people scattered abroad, and dispersed among the people, in all the prouinces of thy kingdome, and their lawes are diuerse from all people, neither keepe they the kings lawes; therefore it is not † for the kings profit to suffer them.

† Heb. meete or, equall.

|| Or, kinde-
ness.
† Heb. be-
fore him.

† Heb. ref.

|| Or, Big-
thana, chap.
6.2.
† Heb. the
threshold.

9 If it please the king, let it be written, ^{† Heb. to destroy them.} that they may be destroyed: and I will ^{† Heb. weigh.} pay ten thousand talents of silver to the handes of those that haue the charge of the businesse, to bring it into the kings treasuries.

10 And the king tooke his ring from his hand, and gaue it vnto Haman the sonne of Ammedatha the Agagite, the Jewes || enemye.

11 And the king saide vnto Haman, The silver is giuen to thee, the people also, to doe with them, as it seemeth good to thee.

12 Then were the kings || scribes called on the thirteenth day of the first moneth, and there was written, according to all that Haman had commanded, vnto the kings Lieutenants, and to the gouernours, that were ouer euery prouince, and to the rulers of euery people of euery prouince, according to the writing thereof, and to euery people, after their language, in the name of king Ahasuerus was it written, and sealed with the kings ring.

13 And the letters were sent by posts into all the kings prouinces, to destroy, to kill, and to cause to perish all Jewes, both yong and olde, litle children and women, in one day, euen vpon the thirteenth day of the twelfth moneth (which is the moneth Adar) and to take the spoile of them for a pray.

14 The copie of the writing for a commandement to bee giuen in euery prouince, was published vnto all people, that they should bee ready against that day.

15 The postes went out, being hastened by the kings commandement, and the decree was giuen in Shushan the palace: and the king and Haman late downe to drinke, but the citie Shushan was perplexed.

CHAP. III.

1 The great mourning of Mordecai and the Jewes. 4 Esther vnderstanding it, sendeth to Mordecai, who sheweth the cause, and aduiseh her to vndertake the suit. 10 Shee excusing her selfe is threatned by Mordecai. 15 She appointing a fast, vndertaketh the suit.

When Mordecai perceiued all that was done, Mordecai rent his clothes, and put on sackcloth with ashes, and went out into

the midst of the citie, and cried with a loud and a bitter crie:

2 And came euen before the kings gate: for none might enter into the kings gate clothed with sackcloth.

3 And in euery prouince, whither soeuer the kings commaundement, and his decree came, there was great mourning among the Jewes, and fasting, and weeping, and wailing, and many lay in sackcloth and ashes.

4 **C** So Esthers maides and her chamberlaines came, and told it her: then was the Queene exceedingly grieued, and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take away the sackcloth from him: but he receiued it not.

5 Then called Esther for Hatach, one of the kings chamberlaines, ^{† Heb. whom he had set before her.} whom he had appointed to attend vpon her, and gaue him a commaundement to Mordecai, to know what it was, and why it was.

6 So Hatach went forth to Mordecai, vnto the street of the citie, which was before the kings gate:

7 And Mordecai tolde him of all that had happened vnto him, and of the summe of the money that Haman had promised to pay to the kings treasuries for the Jewes, to destroy them.

8 Also he gaue him the copie of the writing of the decree, that was giuen at Shushan to destroy them, to shewe it vnto Esther, and to declare it vnto her, and to charge her that she should goe in vnto the king, to make supplication vnto him, and to make request before him, for her people.

9 And Hatach came and told Esther the words of Mordecai.

10 **C** Againe Esther spake vnto Hatach, and gaue him commaundement vnto Mordecai;

11 All the kings seruants, and the people of the kings prouinces do know, that whosoever, whether man or woman, shall come vnto the king into the inner court, who is not called, there is one lawe of his to put him to death, except such to whom the king shall hold out the golden scepter, that he may liue: but I haue not beene called to come in vnto the king, these thirtie dayes.

12 And they tolde to Mordecai Esthers words.

13 Then Mordecai commanded to answere Esther; Thinke not with thy selfe

† Heb. to destroy them.
† Heb. weigh.

|| Or, opprefour.

|| Or, secretaries.

† Heb. sackcloth and ashes were laid vnder many.
† Heb. Eunuiches.

† Heb. whom he had set before her.

selfe that thou shalt escape in the kings house, more then all the Jewes.

14 For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, then shall there † enlargement and deliuerance arise to the Jewes from another place, but thou and thy fathers house shall be destroyed: And who knoweth, whether thou art come to the kingdome for such a time as this:

15 Then Esther bade them returne Mordecai this answere:

16 Goe, gather together all the Jewes that are † present in Shushan, and fast yee for me, and neither eate nor drinke three dayes, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise, and so will I goe in vnto the king, which is not according to the Law, and if I perish, I perish.

17 So Mordecai † went his way, and did according to all that Esther had commanded him.

CHAP. V.

1 Esther aduenturing on the kings fauour, obtaineth the grace of the golden scepter, and inuiteth the king and Haman to a banquet.

6 She being encouraged by the king in her suit, inuiteth them to another banquet the next day. 9 Haman proud of his aduancement, repineth at the contempt of Mordecai.

14 By the counsell of Zeresh, he buildeth for him a paire of gallous.

NOW it came to passe on the third day, that Esther put on her royall apparell, and stood in the inner court of the kings house, ouer against the kings house: and the King sate vpon his royall throne in the royall house, ouer against the gate of the house.

2 And it was so, when the king saw Esther the Queene standing in the court, that shee obtained fauour in his sight: and the king helde out to Esther the golden scepter that was in his hand: So Esther drew neere, and touched the top of the scepter.

3 Then sayd the King vnto her, what wilt thou, Queene Esther: and what is thy request: it shall bee euen giuen thee to the halfe of the kingdome.

4 And Esther answered, If it seeme good vnto the King, let the King and Haman come this day vnto the banquet that I haue prepared for him.

5 Then the King sayd, Cause Haman to make haste, that he may doe as Esther hath said: So the king and Haman came to the banquet that Esther had prepared.

6 And the king said vnto Esther at the banquet of wine, what is thy petition, and it shall be granted thee: and what is thy request: euen to the halfe of the kingdome it shall be performed.

7 Then answered Esther, and said, My petition, and my request is,

8 If I haue found fauour in the sight of the king, and if it please the king to grant my petition, and † to performe my request, let the king, and Haman, come to the banquet that I shall prepare for them, and I wil do to morrow, as the king hath said.

9 Then went Haman forth that day, ioyfull, and with a glad heart: but when Haman saw Mordecai in the kings gate, that hee stood not vp, nor moued for him, hee was full of indignation against Mordecai.

10 Neuerthelesse Haman refrained himselfe, and when he came home, hee sent and † called for his friends, and Zeresh his wife.

11 And Haman told them of the glory of his riches, and the multitude of his children, and all the things wherein the king had promoted him, and how he had aduanced him aboue the Princes, and seruants of the king.

12 Haman said moreouer, Hea Esther the Queene did let no man come in with the king vnto the banquet that she had prepared, but my selfe; and to morrow am I inuited vnto her also with the king.

13 Yet all this availeth me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the kings gate.

14 Then saide Zeresh his wife, and all his friends vnto him, Let a † gallous be made of fifty cubits hie, and to morrow speake thou vnto the king, that Mordecai may be hanged thereon: then goe thou in merrily with the king vnto the banquet. And the thing pleased Haman, and hee caused the gallous to be made.

CHAP. VI.

1 Ahasuerus reading in the Chronicles of the good seruice done by Mordecai, taketh care for his reward. 4 Haman comming to sue that Mordecai might bee hanged, vnawares giueth

† Heb. re-
piration.

† Heb. found

† Heb. passed

† Heb. to doe.

Heb. caused
to come.

† Heb. tree.

giueth counsell that hee might doe him honour, 12 complayning of his misfortune, his friends tell him of his finall destinie.

† Hebr. the kings sleepe fled away.

In that night † could not the King sleepe, and hee commaunded to bring the booke of Records of the chronicles; and they were read before the king.

|| Or, Bigthan, chap. 2.21.
† Hebr. threhold.

2 And it was found written, that Mordecai had told of || Bigthana, and Teresh, two of the kings chamberleins, the keepers of the doore, who sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus.

3 And the king said, what honour and dignitie hath bene done to Mordecai for this? Then said the kings seruants that ministred vnto him, There is nothing done for him.

4 And the king said, who is in the court: (now Haman was come into the outward court of the kings house, to speake vnto the king, to hang Mordecai on the gallous that hee had prepared for him.)

5 And the kings seruants said vnto him, Behold, Haman standeth in the court. And the King saide, Let him come in.

† Hebr. in whose honour the King delighteth.

6 So Haman came in, and the king said vnto him, what shall be done vnto the man † whom the king delighteth to honour: (now Haman thought in his heart, To whom would the king delight to doe honour, more then to my selfe?)

† Hebr. in whose honour the king delighteth.

7 And Haman answered the king, For the man † whom the king delighteth to honour,

† Hebr. let them bring the royall apparell.

8 † Let the royall apparell be brought, † which the King vseth to weare, and the horse that the King rideth vpon, and the crowne royal which is set vpon his head:

† Hebr. wherewith the king clotheth himselfe.

9 And let this apparell and horse bee deliuered to the hand of one of the kings most noble Princes, that they may aray the man withall, whom the king delighteth to honour, and † bring him on horsebacke through the streete of the city, and proclaime before him, Thus shal it be done to the man whom the king delighteth to honour.

† Hebr. cause him to ride.

10 Then the king saide to Haman, Make haste, and take the apparell, and the horse, as thou hast said, and doe euen so to Mordecai the Jew, that sitteth at the Kings gate: † let nothing faile of all that thou hast spoken.

† Hebr. suffer not a whit to fall.

11 Then tooke Haman the apparell, and the horse, & arayed Mordecai, and brought him on horsebacke through the streete of the city, and proclaimed before him: Thus shall it be done vnto the man whom the King delighteth to honour.

12 And Mordecai came againe to the kings gate: but Haman hasted to his house, mourning, and hauing his head couered.

13 And Haman told Zeresh his wife, and all his friends, euery thing that had befallen him. Then saide his wife men, and Zeresh his wife vnto him, If Mordecai be of the seed of the Jewes, before whom thou hast begun to fall, thou shalt not preuaile against him, but shalt surely fall before him.

14 And while they were yet talking with him, came the kings chamberlens, and hasted to bring Haman vnto the banquet that Esther had prepared.

CHAP. VII.

1 Esther intertaining the King and Haman, maketh suit for her owne life, and her peoples.
5 She accuseth Haman. 7 The King in his anger vnderstanding of the gallous, which Haman had made for Mordecai, causeth him to be hanged thereon.

SO the King and Haman came † to banquet with Esther the Queene.

† Hebr. so drinke.

2 And the king said againe vnto Esther, on the second day at the banquet of wine, what is thy petition, Queene Esther, and it shalbe granted thee: and what is thy request: and it shall be performed, euen to the halfe of the kingdome.

3 Then Esther the Queene answered, and said; If I haue found fauour in thy sight, O King, and if it please the King, let my life be giuen me at my petition, and my people at my request.

4 For we are sold, I, and my people, † to be destroyed, to be slaine, and to perish: but if we had bene sold for bondmen, and bondwomen, I had held my tongue, although the enemy could not counteruaile the kings dammage.

† Hebr. that they should destroy and kill, and cause to perish.

5 Then the king Ahasuerus answered, & said vnto Esther the Queene: who is he: and where is he, † that durst presume in his heart to do so:

† Hebr. whose heart hath filled him.

6 And Esther said, † The aduersary and enemy, is this wicked Haman. Then

† Hebr. the mans aduersary.

|| Or, at the presence of.

Then Haman was afraid || before the King and the Queene.

7 And the king arising from the banquet of wine in his wrath, went into the palace garden: and Haman stood by to make request for his life to Esther the Queene: for he saw that there was euill determined against him by the King.

8 Then the king returned out of the palace garden, into the place of the banquet of wine, and Haman was fallen vpon the bed whereon Esther was. Then said the King, Will hee force the Queene also † before me in the house: As the word went out of the Kings mouth, they couered Hamans face.

9 And Harbonah one of the chamberlaines, said before the king; Behold also the † gallows, fittie cubites high, which Haman had made for Mordecai, who had spoken good for the king, standeth in the house of Haman. Then the king said, Hang him thereon.

10 So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then was the Kings wrath pacified.

CHAP. VIII.

1 Mordecai is aduanced. 3 Esther maketh suite to reuerse Hamans letters. 7 Ahasuerus granteth to the Iewes to defend themselves. 15 Mordecais honour, and the Iewes ioy.

In that day did the King Ahasuerus giue the house of Haman, the Iewes enemy, vnto Esther the Queene; and Mordecai came before the King; for Esther hade told what he was vnto her.

2 And the king tooke off his Ring which he had taken from Haman, and gaue it vnto Mordecai. And Esther set Mordecai ouer the house of Haman.

3 And Esther spake yet againe before the king, and fell downe at his feet, † and besought him with teares, to put away the mischiefe of Haman the Agagite, and his deuice, that he had deuised against the Iewes.

4 Then the king helde out the golden scepter toward Esther. So Esther arose, and stood before the king,

5 And said, If it please the king, and if I haue found fauour in his sight, and the thing seeme right before the king, and I bee pleasing in his eyes, let it be written to reuerse † the letters deuised

by Haman the sonne of Hammedatha the Agagite, || which hee wrote to destroy the Iewes, which are in all the kings prouinces.

6 For how can I † endure to see the euill that shall come vnto my people: or how can I endure to see the destruction of my kindred:

7 Then the king Ahasuerus said vnto Esther the Queene, and to Mordecai the Iewe, Behold, I haue giuen Esther the house of Haman, and him they haue hanged vpon the gallows, because hee layde his hand vpon the Iewes.

8 Write ye also for the Iewes, as it liketh you, in the Kings name, and seale it with the Kings ring: for the writing which is written in the Kings name, and sealed with the Kings ring, * may no man reuerse.

9 Then were the kings scribes called at that time, in the third moneth, (that is, the month Siuan) on the three and twentieth day thereof, and it was written (according to all that Mordecai commanded) vnto the Iewes, and to the Lieutenants, and the deputies and rulers of the prouinces, which are from India vnto Ethiopia, an hundred, twentie and seven prouinces, vnto euery prouince according to the writing thereof, and vnto euery people after their language, and to the Iewes, according to their writing, and according to their language.

10 And he wrote in the king Ahasuerus name, and sealed it with the kings Ring, and sent letters by Postes, on horsebacke, and riders on mules, camels, and yong dromedaries:

11 wherein the King granted the Iewes, which were in euery citie, to gather themselves together, and to stand for their life, to destroy, to slay, and to cause to perish all the power of the people and prouince that would assault them, both little ones, and women, and to take the spoile of them for a pray:

12 Upon one day, in all the prouinces of king Ahasuerus, namely vpon the thirteenth day of the twelfth moneth, which is the moneth Adar.

13 The copy of the writing, for a commandement to bee giuen in euery prouince, was † published vnto all people, and that the Iewes should be readie against that day, to auenge themselves on their enemies.

|| Or, who wrote.

† Heb. be able that I may see.

† Heb. with me.

† Heb. tree.

* See Chap. I. 19.

† Heb. and she wept and besought him.

† Heb. the deuice.

† Heb. reuealed.

14 So the posts that rode vpon mules and camels went out, being hastened, and pressed on by the kings commandement, and the decree was giuen at Shushan the palace.

15 **C** And Mordecai went out from the presence of the king, in royall apparel, of *||* blew and white, and with a great crowne of gold, and with a garment of fine linnen, and purple, and the citie of Shushan reioyced, and was glad:

16 The Iewes had light and gladnesse, and ioy and honour.

17 And in euery prouince, and in euery city, whithersoever the kings commandement, and his decree came, the Iewes had ioy and gladnes, a feast and a good day: And many of the people of the land became Iewes; for the feare of the Iewes fell vpon them.

CHAP. IX.

1 The Iewes, (the rulers, for feare of Mordecai helping them) slay their enemies, with the ten sonnes of Haman. 12 Ahasuerus at the request of Esther, granteth another day of slaughter, and Hamans sonnes to be hanged. 20 The two daies of Purim are made festiuall.

NOW in the twelfth month (that is the moneth Adar) on the thirteenth day of the same, when the Kings commaundement and his decree drew neere to bee put in execution, in the day that the enemies of the Iewes hoped to haue power ouer them: (though it was turned to the contrary, that the Iewes had rule ouer them that hated them.)

2 The Iewes gathered themselues together in their cities, throughout all the prouinces of the king Ahasuerus, to lay hand on such as sought their hurt, and no man could withstand them: for the feare of them fell vpon all people.

3 And all the rulers of the prouinces, and the Lieutenants, and the deputies, and officers of the king, helped the Iewes: because the feare of Mordecai fell vpon them.

4 For Mordecai was great in the kings house, and his fame went out, throughout all the prouinces: for this man Mordecai waxed greater and greater.

5 Thus the Iewes smote all their enemies with the stroke of the sword,

and slaughter, and destruction, and did what they would vnto those that hated them.

6 And in Shushan the palace the Iewes slew and destroyed five hundred men:

7 And Parshandatha, and Dalphon, and Aspatha,

8 And Poratha, and Adalia, and Aridatha,

9 And Parmashta, and Arisai, and Aridai, and Vaiezatha,

10 The ten sonnes of Haman the sonne of Hammedatha, the enemy of the Iewes, slew they, but on the spoile laid they not their hand.

11 On that day, the number of those that were slaine in Shushan the palace, was brought before the king.

12 **C** And the king said vnto Esther the Queene: The Iewes haue slaine and destroyed five hundred men in Shushan the palace, & the ten sonnes of Haman: what haue they done in the rest of the kings prouinces: now what is thy petition: and it shall be granted thee: or what is thy request further: and it shall be done.

13 Then said Esther, If it please the king, Let it bee granted to the Iewes which are in Shushan, to doe to morrow also, according vnto this dayes decree, and let Hamans ten sonnes be hanged vpon the gallous.

14 And the king commanded it so to be done: and the decree was giuen at Shushan, and they hanged Hamans ten sonnes.

15 For the Iewes that were in Shushan, gathered themselues together on the fourteenth day also of the moneth Adar, and slew three hundred men at Shushan: but on the pray they laid not their hand.

16 But the other Iewes that were in the kings prouinces, gathered themselues together, & stood for their liues, and had rest from their enemies, and slew of their foes seuentie and five thousand, but they laid not their handes on the pray.

17 On the thirteenth day of the moneth Adar, and on the fourteenth day of the same, rested they, and made it a day of feasting and gladnes.

18 But the Iewes that were at Shushan, assembled together on the thirteenth day thereof, and on the fourteenth thereof; and on the fifteenth day of the same,

† Heb. according to their will.

† Heb. com.

† Hebr. let men hang.

† Heb. mit.

|| Or, violet.

† Heb. those which did the busines that belonged to the King.

† Heb. cruell.

† Heb. when the came.

|| That is, let.

† Heb. passe.

same, they rested, and made it a day of feasting and gladnesse.

19 Therefore the Jewes of the villages, that dwelt in the unwalled towne, made the foureteenth day of the moneth Adar, a day of gladnesse and feasting, and a good day, and of sending portions one to another.

20 And Mordecai wrote these things, and sent letters vnto all the Jewes, that were in all the prouinces of the king Ahasuerus, both nigh & farre,

21 To stablish this among them, that they should keepe the fourteenth day of the moneth Adar, and the fifteenth day of the same, yeerely:

22 As the dayes wherein the Jewes rested from their enemies, & the moneth which was turned vnto them, from sorrow to ioy, and from mourning into a good day: that they should make them daies of feasting and ioy, and of sending portions one to another, and gifts to the poore.

23 And the Jewes vnderooke to doe, as they had begun, and as Mordecai had written vnto them:

24 Because Haman the sonne of Hammedatha the Agagite, theemie of all the Jewes, had deuised against the Jewes to destroy them, and had cast Pur (that is, the lot) to consume them, and to destroy them.

25 But when Esther came before the king, he commanded by letters, that his wicked device which he deuised against the Jewes, should returne vpon his owne head, and that he and his sonnes, should be hanged on the gallous.

26 Wherefore they called these dayes Purim, after the name of Pur: therefore for all the words of this letter, and of that which they had seene concerning this matter, and which had come vnto them,

27 The Jewes ordeined, and tooke vpon them, and vpon their seed, and vpon all such as ioynded themselues vnto them, so as it should not faile, that they would keepe these two dayes, ac-

ording to their writing, and according to their appointed time, euery yeere:

28 And that these dayes should be remembred, and kept throughout euery generation, euery family, euery prouince, and euery citie, and that these dayes of Purim should not faile from among the Jewes, nor the memoriall of them perish from their seed.

29 Then Esther the Queene, the daughter of Abihail, and Mordecai the Jew, wrote with all authoritie, to confirme this second letter of Purim.

30 And hee sent the letters vnto all the Jewes, to the hundred, twentie and seuen prouinces of the kingdome of Ahasuerus, with wordes of peace and trueth:

31 To confirme these dayes of Purim, in their times appointed, according as Mordecai the Jew, and Esther the Queene had enioyned them, and as they had decreed for themselues and for their seed, the matters of the fastings and their cry.

32 And the decree of Esther confirmed these matters of Purim, and it was written in the booke.

CHAP. X.

1 Ahasuerus his greatnesse. 3 Mordecais aduancement.

And the king Ahasuerus layde a tribute vpon the land, and vpon the Isles of the sea.

2 And all the actes of his power, and of his might, and the declaration of the greatnesse of Mordecai, whereunto the king advanced him, are they not written in the booke of the Chronicles of the kings of Media and Persia:

3 For Mordecai the Jew was next vnto King Ahasuerus, and great among the Jewes, and accepted of the multitude of his brethren, seeking the wealth of his people, and speaking peace to all his seed.

† Heb. passe.

† Hebr. be ended.

† Hebr. all strength.

† Hebr. for their soules.

† Heb. crush.

† Heb. when she came.

|| That is, Lot.

† Hebr. passe.

† Heb. made him great.

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THE BOOKE OF Iob.

CHAP. I.

1 The holinesse, riches, and religious care of Iob for his children. 6 Satan appearing before God, by calumniation obtaineth leaue to tempt Iob. 13 Vnderstanding of the losse of his goods and children, in his mourning hee blefseth G O D.



Here was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Iob, and that man was *perfect and vpright, and one that feared God, and eschewed euill.

2 And there were borne vnto him seven sonnes, and three daughters.

3 His || substance also was seven thousand sheepe, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred shee asses, and a very great || household; so that this man was the greatest of all the † men of the East.

4 And his sonnes went and feasted in their houses, euery one his day, and sent and called for their three sisters, to eate and to drinke with them.

5 And it was so, when the dayes of their feasting were gone about, that Iob sent and sanctified them, and rose vp early in the morning, and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all: For Iob said, It may be that my sonnes haue sinned, and *curled God in their hearts: Thus did Iob † continually.

6 ¶ Now there was a day, when the sons of God came to present themselves before the L O R D, and † Satan came also † among them.

7 And the L O R D said vnto Satan, whence comest thou: Then Satan answered the L O R D, and

sayde, From going to and fro in the * earth, and from walking vp and downe in it.

8 And the L O R D sayd vnto Satan, † hast thou considered my seruant Iob, that there is none like him in the earth: a perfect and an vpright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth euill:

9 Then Satan answered † L O R D, and sayd, Doeth Iob feare God for nought:

10 Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on euery side: thou hast blessed the worke of his hands, and his || substance is increased in the land.

11 But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, † and he will curse thee to thy face.

12 And the L O R D said vnto Satan, Behold, all that hee hath is in thy † power, onely vpon himselfe put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the L O R D.

13 ¶ And there was a day, when his sonnes and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brothers house:

14 And there came a messenger vnto Iob, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them,

15 And the Sabeans fell vpon them, and tooke them away: yea they haue slaine the seruants with the edge of the sword, and I onely am escaped alone, to tell thee.

16 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, || The fire of God is fallen from heauen, and hath burnt vp the sheepe, and the seruants, and consumed them, and I onely am escaped alone, to tell thee.

17 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Caldeans

* Chap. 2. 3.

|| Or, castell.

|| Or, husbandrie.
† Heb. sonnes of the East.

* 1. King. 21. 10, 13.
† Heb. all the dayes.

† Heb. the aduersarie.
† Heb. in the midst of them.

* 1. Pet. 5. 8.

† Heb. hast thou set thy heart on?

* Eccel. 5. 14. I. Tim. 6. 7.

|| Or, castell.

† Heb. if he curse thee not to thy face.

† Heb. hand.

|| Or, a great fire.

† Heb. from a side, &c.

† Heb. from a side, &c.

|| Or, yob.

* Eccel. 5. 14. I. Tim. 6. 7.

|| Or, attributed folly to God.

* Chap. 1. 7.

* Chap. 1. v. 1. & 8.

† Heb. so swallow him up.

Jobs patience. His Chap. ij. iij. wife tempteth him.

† Hebr. rushed.

deans made out three bands, and † fell vpon the camels, and haue caried them away, yea, and slaine the seruants with the edge of the sword, and I onely am escaped alone, to tell thee.

18 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, & said, Thy sonnes, and thy daughters, were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brothers house.

† Heb. from a side, &c.

19 And beholde, there came a great winde † from the wilderness, and smote the foure corners of the house, and it fell vpon the yong men, and they are dead, and I onely am escaped alone to tell thee.

|| Or. yose.

20 Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaued his head, and fell downe vpon the ground and worshipped,

* Eccles. 5. 14. 1. tim. 6. 7.

21 And said, * Naked came I out of my mothers wombe, and naked shall I returne thither: the LORD gaue, and the LORD hath taken away, blessed be the Name of the LORD.

|| Or. attributed folly to God.

22 In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.

CHAP. II.

1 Satan appearing againe before God, obtaineth further leaue to tempt Job. 7 He smiteth him with sore boiles. 9 Job reprobeth his wife, mouing him to curse God. 11 His three friends condole with him in silence.

A Gaine there was a day when the sonnes of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himselfe before the LORD.

* Chap. 1. 7.

2 And the LORD said vnto Satan, From whence comest thou? And * Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to & fro in the earth, and from walking by and downe in it.

* Chap. 1. ver. 1. & 8.

3 * And the LORD said vnto Satan, Hast thou considered my seruant Job, that there is none like him in the earth; a perfect and an vpright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth euill: and still hee holdeth fast his integritie, although thou mouedst mee against him, † to destroy him without cause.

† Hebr. to swallow him vp.

4 And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skinne for skinne, yea all that a man hath, wil he giue for his life.

5 But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

6 And the LORD said vnto Satan, Behold, hee is in thine hand, || but saue his life. || Or. onely.

7 So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore bites, from the sole of his foote vnto his crowne.

8 And hee tooke him a potsherd to scrape himselfe withall; and hee sate downe among the ashes.

9 Then saide his wife vnto him, Doest thou still retaine thine integritie? Curse God, and die.

10 But he said vnto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh; what shall wee receiue good at the hand of God, and shall wee not receiue euill? In all this did not Job sinne with his lippes.

11 Now when Jobs three friends heard of all this euill, that was come vpon him, they came euery one from his owne place: Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite; for they had made an appointment together to come to mourne with him, and to comfort him.

12 And when they lift vp their eyes afarre off, and knew him not, they lifted vp their voice, and wept; and they rent euery one his mantle, and sprinkled dust vpon their heades toward heauen.

13 So they sate downe with him vpon the ground seuen dayes, and seuen nights, and none spake a word vnto him; for they saw that his griefe was very great.

CHAP. III.

1 Job curseth the day, and seruices of his birth. 13 The ease of death. 20 He complaineth of life, because of his anguish.

After this, opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day.

2 And Job † spake, and said, † Hebr. answered.

3 * Let the day perish, wherein I was borne, and the night in which it was said, There is a man-childe conceived. * Chap. 10. 18, 19. iere. 20. 14.

4 Let that day bee darkenesse, let not God regard it from aboue, neither let the light shine vpon it.

|| Or, chal-
lenge it.
|| Or, let
them terrifie
it, as those
who haue
a bitter day.
|| Or, let it
not reioyce
among the
dayes.

|| Or, Lewis-
chan.

† Heb. the
eye lids of
the morning.

† Heb. wear-
ied in
strength.

† Heb. wait.

* Chap. 19. 8

† Heb. before
my meat.

† Heb. Ifea-
red a feare,
and it came
vpon me.

5 Let darkenes and the shadowe of death || staine it, let a cloud dwell vpon it, || let the blacknes of the day terrifie it.

6 As for that night, let darkenesse seaze vpon it, || let it not be ioyned vnto the dayes of the yeere, let it not come in- to the number of the moneths.

7 Loe, let that night be solitarie, let no ioyfull voice come therein.

8 Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise vp || their mourning.

9 Let the starres of the twilight thereof be darke, let it looke for light, but haue none, neither let it see † the daw- ning of the day :

10 Because it shut not vp the doores of my mothers wombe, nor hid sorrowe from mine eyes.

11 Why died I not from the wombe: why did I not giue vp the ghost when I came out of the bellie :

12 Why did the knees preuent mee: or why the breasts, that I should sucke:

13 For now should I haue lien still and beene quiet, I should haue slept; then had I bene at rest,

14 With Kings and counsellors of the earth, which built desolate places for themselues,

15 Or with Princes that had golde, who filled their houses with siluer :

16 Or as an hidden vntimely birth, I had not bene; as infants which neuer saw light.

17 There the wicked cease from trou- bling: and there the † wearie be at rest.

18 There the prisoners rest together, they heare not the voice of the oppres- sour.

19 The small and great are there, and the seruant is free from his master.

20 Wherefore is light giuen to him that is in misery, and life vnto the bitter in soule:

21 Which † long for death, but it com- meth not, and dig for it more then for hid treasures :

22 Which reioice exceedingly, and are glad when they can finde the graue :

23 Why is light giuen to a man, whose way is hid, * and whom God hath hed- ged in :

24 For my sighing commeth † before I eate, and my roarings are powdered out like the waters.

25 For † the thing which I greatly feared is come vpon me, and that which I was afraid of, is come vnto me.

26 I was not in safetie, neither had I rest, neither was I quiet: yet trou- ble came.

C H A P. III.

1. Eliphaz reprooueth Job for want of religion. 7 He teacheth Gods iudgements to bee not for the righteous, but for the wicked. 12 His fearefull vision, to humble the excellencie of Creatures before God.

Then Eliphaz the Tema- nite answered, and said,

2 If we assay † to com- mune with thee, wilt thou be grieued: But † who can withhold himselfe from spea- king:

3 Beholde, Thou hast instructed many, and thou hast strengthened the weake hands.

4 Thy words haue vpholden him that was falling, and thou hast streng- thened † the feeble knees.

5 But now it is come vpon thee, and thou faintest, it toucheth thee, and thou art troubled.

6 Is not this thy feare, thy confidence; the vprightnesse of thy wayes and thy hope:

7 Remember, I pray thee, who euer perished, being innocent: or where were the righteous cut off:

8 * Euen as I haue seene, they that plow iniquity, and sow wickednesse, reape the same.

9 By the blast of God they perish, and by the breath of his * nostrils are they consumed.

10 The roaring of the Lyon, and the voice of the fierce Lyon, and the teeth of the yong Lyons are broken.

11 The old Lyon perisheth for lacke of pray, and the stout Lyons whelpes are scattered abroad.

12 Nowe a thing was † secretly brought to me, and mine eare receiued a litle thereof.

13 In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deepe sleepe falleth on men:

14 Feare † came vpon me, and trem- bling, which made † all my bones to shake.

15 Then a spirit passed before my face: the haire of my flesh stood vp.

16 It stood still, but I could not dis- cerne the forme thereof: an image was before mine eyes, || there was silence, and I heard a voyce, saying,

17 Shall

† Heb. a word.

† Heb. who can refrain from words?

† Heb. the bowing knees.

* Prou. 22. 8 ofc 10. 13.

* That is by his anger, as Esa. 30. 33.

† Heb. by stealth.

† Heb. met mee. † Heb. the multitude of my bones.

|| Or, I heard a still voyce.

* Chap. 15. 2. p. 2. 4. || Or, you in his Angels, in whom he put light. 2. Cor. 5. 1.

† Heb. bea- ten in pieces.

|| Or, looke.

|| Or, indig- nation.

|| Or, iniquity. || Or, labour. † Heb. the fumes of the burning coals, lift up his face.

* Cha. 9. 10. psal. 72. 18. rom. 11. 33. † Heb. and there is no search.

† Heb. till there be no number. † Heb. out- places.

* Psa. 113. 6. 1 Sam. 2. 7. Neh. 4. 15. psal. 33. 10. isa. 8. 10.

|| Or, cannot performe a- ny thing. 1. Cor. 3. 19.

The diuers ends of Chap.v.vj. godly and wicked.

17 Shall mortall man be more iust then God: shall a man bee more pure then his maker:

18 Behold, hee *put no trust in his seruants; || and his Angels hee charged with folly:

19 Howe much lesse on them that dwell in *houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust, which are crushed before the moth.

20 They are † destroyed from morning to euening: they perish for euer, without any regarding it.

21 Doeth not their excellencie which is in them, goe away: they die, euen without wiledome.

CHAP. V.

1 The harme of inconsideration. 3 The ende of the wicked is misery. 6 God is to be regarded in affliction. 17 The happy ende of Gods correction.

All now, if there be any that wil answer thee, and to which of the Saints wilt thou || turne:

2 For Wrath killeth the foolish man, and || enuy slayeth the silly one.

3 I haue seene the foolish taking roote: but suddenly I cursed his habitation.

4 His children are farre from safetie, and they are crushed in the gate, neither is there any to deliuer them.

5 whose haruest the hungry eateth vp, and taketh it euen out of the thorns, and the robber swalloweth vp their substance.

6 Although || affliction commeth not forth of the dust, neither doeth trouble spring out of the ground:

7 Yet man is borne vnto || trouble, as † the sparkes flie vpward.

8 I would seeke vnto God, and vnto God would I commit my cause:

9 * which doth great things † & vnsearchable: marueilous things † without number.

10 Who giueth raine vpon the earth, and sendeth waters vpon the † fields:

11 * To set vp on high those that be low; that those which mourne, may be exalted to safetie.

12 * Hee disappointeth the deuices of the craftie, so that their hands || cannot performe their enterprize.

13 * He taketh the wise in their owne

craftinesse: and the counsell of the forward is caried headlong.

14 * They || meete With darkenesse in the day time, and grope in the noone day as in the night.

15 But he saueh the pooze from the sword, from their mouth, and from the hand of the mightie.

16 * So the pooze hath hope, and iniquitie stoppeth her mouth.

17 * Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty.

18 * For he maketh sore, and bindeth vp: he woundeth, and his hands make whole.

19 * Hee shall deliuer thee in sixe troubles, yea in seuen there shall no euill touch thee.

20 In famine he shall redeeme thee from death: and in warre from the † powder of the sword.

21 Thou shalt be hidde || from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction, when it commeth.

22 At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh: neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth.

23 * For thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field: and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee.

24 And thou shalt know that thy || tabernacle shall bee in peace; and thou shalt visite thy habitation, and shalt not || sinne.

25 Thou shalt know also that thy seede shall be || great, and thine offspring as the grasse of the earth.

26 Thou shalt come to thy graue in a full age, like as a shooke of corne † commeth in, in his season.

27 Loe this, wee haue searched it, so it is; heare it, and know thou it † for thy good.

CHAP. VI.

1 Job sheweth that his complaints are not causelesse. 8 Hee wisheth for death, wherein he is assured of comfort. 14 He reprooueth his friends of vnkindnesse.

At Job answered, and sayd,

2 Oh that my griefe were thoroughly weighed, and my calamitie † layd in the balances together.

3 For now it would be heauier then

* Deut. 28. 29. || Or, runne into.

* Psal. 107. 42.

* Pro. 3. 12. iames 1. 12. heb. 12. 5. apoc. 3. 9.

* Deut. 32. 39. 1. sam. 2. 6. isa. 30. 26. hof. 6. 1. * Psal. 91. 3.

† Heb. from the hands. || Or, when the tongue scourgeth.

* Hof. 2. 18.

|| Or, that peace is thy tabernacle. || Or, erre.

|| Or, much.

† Heb. ascended.

† Heb. for thy selfe.

† Heb. lifted vp.

* Chap. 15. 15. 2. pct. 2. 4. || Or, nor in his Angels, in whom hee put light. * 2. Cor. 5. 1.

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* Psal. 113. 6.

1. sam. 2. 7.

* Neh. 4. 15. psal. 33. 10.

isa. 8. 10.

|| Or, cannot performe anything.

* 1. Cor. 3. 19.

|| That is, I want words to expresse my griefe. * Psal. 38. 2.

the sand of the sea, therefore my words are swallowed vp.

4 * For the arrowes of the Almighty are within me, the poyson whereof drinketh by my spirit: the terrors of God doe set themselves in aray against mee.

† Hebr. at grasse.

5 Doeth the wilde asse bray † when he hath grasse: or loweth the oxe ouer his fodder:

6 Can that which is vnsauery, bee eaten without salt: or is there any taste in the white of an egge:

7 The things that my soule refused to touch, are as my sorrowfull meat.

† Hebr. my expectation.

8 O that I might haue my request! and that God would graunt mee † the thing that I long for!

9 Euen that it would please God to destroy mee, that he would let loose his hand, and cut me off.

10 Then should I yet haue comfort, yea I would harden my selfe in sorrow: let him not spare, for I haue not concealed the words of the holy One.

11 What is my strength, that I should hope: and what is mine ende, that I should prolong my life:

† He. brafen.

12 Is my strength the strength of stones: or is my flesh † of brasse:

13 Is not my helpe in me: and is wisdom driven quite from me:

† Hebr. to him that melteth.

14 † To him that is afflicted, pitie should be shewed from his friend: But he forsaketh the feare of the Almighty.

15 My brethren haue delt deceitfully as a brooke, & as the streame of brookes they passe away,

16 which are blackish by reason of the yce, and wherein the snow is hid:

† Hebr. they are cut off. † Hebr. in the heat thereof. † Hebr. extinguished.

17 What time they were warme, † they vanish: † when it is hot, they are † consumed out of their place.

18 The pathes of their way are turned aside: they goe to nothing, and perish.

19 The troupes of Tema looked, the companies of Sheba waited for them.

20 They were confounded because they had hoped: they came thither, and were ashamed.

|| Or, for now ye are like to them. Hebr. to it. † Hebr. Not.

21 || For now ye are † nothing; ye see my casting downe, and are afraid.

22 Did I say, Bring vnto mee: or give a reward for me of your substance:

23 Or deliuer me from the enemies hand, or redeeme me from the hand of the mighty:

24 Teach me, and I will hold my

tongue: and cause mee to vnderstand wherein I haue erred.

25 How forcible are right wordes: but what doeth your arguing reprove:

26 Do ye imagine to reprove wordes, and the speeches of one that is desperate, which are as winde:

27 Yea, † ye ouerwhelme the fatherlesse, and you digge a pit for your friend.

† Hebr. ye cause of fall vpon.

28 Now therefore be content, looke vpon mee, for it is † euident vnto you, if I lie.

† Hebr. before your face.

29 Returne, I pray you, let it not be iniquitie: yea returne againe: my righteousness is in it.

|| That is, in this matter.

30 Is there iniquitie in my tongue: cannot † my taste discerne peruerse things:

† Hebr. my palate.

CHAP. VII.

1 Job excuseth his desire of death. 12 He complaineth of his owne restlesnesse, 17 and Gods watchfulnesse.

NS there not || an appointed time to man vpon earth: are not his dayes also like the dayes of an hireling:

|| Or, a warfare.

2 As a seruant † earnestly desireth the shadow, and as an hireling looketh for the reward of his worke:

† Hebr. earnestly desireth after.

3 So am I made to possesse monthes of vanitie, and wearisome nightes are appointed to me.

4 When I lie downe, I say, when shall I arise, and the † night be gone: and I am full of tossings to and fro, vnto the dawning of the day.

† Hebr. the evening be measured.

5 My flesh is cloathed with wormes and clods of dust, my skinne is broken, and become loathsome.

6 * My dayes are swifter then a weauers shuttle, and are spent without hope.

* Job 16. 22. psal. 90. 6. and 102. 11. and 103. 15. and 144. 4. isa. 40. 6. iam. 4. 14.

7 Remember that my life is winde: mine eye † shall no more || see good.

† Hebr. shall not returne. || To see, that is, to enjoy.

8 The eye of him that hath seene me, shall see mee no more: thine eyes are vpon me, and I || am not.

|| That is, I can live no longer.

9 As the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: so he that goeth downe to the graue, shall come by no more.

10 Hee shall returne no more to his house: neither shall his place know him any more.

11 Therefore I will not refraine my mouth, I wil speake in the anguish of

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† Hebr. then my bones.

* Psal. 8. 4. and 144. 3. heb. 2. 6.

* Deu. 32. 4. 1. chro. 19. 7. dan. 9. 14.

† Hebr. in the hand of their transgression Chap. 22. 23.

of my spirit, I will complaine in the bitternesse of my soule.

12 Am I a sea, or a whale, that thou settest a watch ouer me?

13 When I say, My bed shall comfort me, my couch shall ease my complaint:

14 Then thou skarest mee with dreames, and terrifiest me through visions.

15 So that my soule chooseth strangling: and death rather than my life.

16 I loath it, I would not liue alway: let me alone, for my dayes are vannie.

17 What is man, that thou shouldest magnifie him: and that thou shouldest set thine heart vpon him?

18 And that thou shouldest visite him euery morning, and trie him euery moment:

19 How long wilt thou not depart from me: nor let me alone till I swallow downe my spittle:

20 I haue sinned, what shall I doe vnto thee, O thou preseruer of men: why hast thou set me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to my selfe:

21 And why doest thou not pardon my transgression, and take away mine iniquitie: for now shall I sleepe in the dust, and thou shalt seeke me in the morning, but I shall not be.

CHAP. VIII.

1 Bildad sheweth Gods iustice, in dealing with men according to their workes. 8 He alledgeth antiquitie to proue the certaine destruction of the Hypocrite. 20 Hee applieth Gods iust dealing to Iob.

When answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said, 2 How long wilt thou speake these things: and how long shall the wordes of thy mouth be like a strong wind?

3 Doth God peruert iudgement: or doth the Almighty peruert iustice:

4 If thy children haue sinned against him, and he haue cast them away for their transgression:

5 If thou wouldest seeke vnto God betimes, and make thy supplication to the Almighty:

6 If thou wert pure and vpright, surely now he would awake for thee, and make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.

7 Though thy beginning was

small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase.

8 For enquire, I pray thee, of the former age, and prepare thy selfe to the search of their fathers.

9 (For we are but of yesterday, and know nothing, because our dayes vpon earth are a shadow.)

10 Shall not they teach thee, and tell thee, & vtter words out of their heart:

11 Can the rush growe vpon without myre: can the flag growe without water:

12 Whilest it is yet in his greennesse, and not cut downe, it withereth before any other herbe.

13 So are the paths of all that forget God, and the hypocrites hope shall perish:

14 whose hope shall be cut off, and whose trust shall be a spiders web.

15 He shall leane vpon his house, but it shall not stand: he shall hold it fast, but it shall not endure.

16 He is greene before the sunne, and his branch shooteth forth in his garden.

17 His roots are wrapped about the heape, and seeth the place of stones.

18 If he destroy him from his place, then it shall denie him, saying, I haue not seene thee.

19 Beholde, this is the ioy of his way, and out of the earth shall others grow.

20 Behold, God will not cast away a perfect man, neither will hee helpe the euill doers:

21 Till he fill thy mouth with laughing, and thy lips with reioycing.

22 They that hate thee shall be clothed with shame, and the dwelling place of the wicked shall come to nought.

CHAP. IX.

1 Iob acknowledging Gods iustice, sheweth there is no contending with him. 22 Mans innocencie is not to be condemned by afflictions.

When Iob answered, and said,

2 I know it is so of a trueth: but howe should man be iust with God.

3 If he will contend with him, he cannot answere him one of a thousand.

4 He is wise in heart, and mightie in strength: who hath hardened himselfe against him, and hath prospered:

* Deut. 4. 32.

* See chap. 7.6. gen. 47. 9. 1. chron. 29. 15. psal. 144. 4. psal. 39. 14. † Heb. not.

* Psal. 129. 6. ier. 17. 6.

* Iob. 11. 20 and 18. 14. psal. 112. 10. prou. 10. 28 † Heb. spiders house.

† Heb. take the vngodly by the hand.

† Heb. shouting for ioy.

† Heb. shall not be.

* Psal. 143.

2. || Or, before God.

† Heb. then my bones.

* Psal. 8. 4. and 144. 3. heb. 3. 6.

* Deu. 32. 4. 1. chro. 19. 7. dan. 9. 14.

† Heb. in the hand of their transgression. * Chap. 22. 23.

5 Which remoueth the mountains, and they know not: Which ouerturneth them in his anger:

6 Which shaketh the earth out of her place, & the pillars thereof tremble:

7 Which commandeth the Sunne, and it riseth not: and sealeth by the starres.

* Gen. 1. 6.
† Hebr. heights.

8 * Which alone spreadeth out the heauens, and treadeth vpon the waues of the Sea.

* Amos 5. 8.
iob. 38. 31, &c.
† Hebr. Ash, Cefil, and Cimab.
* See Chap. 5. 9.

9 * Which maketh † Arcturus, Orion and Pleiades, and the chambers of the South.

10 * Which doeth great things past finding out, yea and wonders without number.

11 Loe, hee goeth by me, and I see him not: he passeth on also, but I perceiue him not.

* Isai. 45. 9.
iere. 18. 6.
rom 9. 20.
† Hebr. who can turne him away?
† Hebr. helpers of pride, or strength.

12 * Behold, he taketh away, † who can hinder him: who will say vnto him, what doest thou?

13 If God will not withdraw his anger, the † proud helpers doe stoupe vnder him.

14 How much lesse shall I answer him, and choose out my words to reason with him:

15 Whom, though I were righteous, yet would I not answer, but I would make supplication to my Judge.

16 If I had called, and he had answered me, yet would I not beleue that he had hearkened vnto my voice:

17 For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds without cause.

18 Hee will not suffer me to take my breath, but filleth me with bitternesse.

19 If I speake of strength, loe, hee is strong: and if of iudgement, who shall set me a time to pleade?

20 If I iustifie my selfe, mine owne mouth shall condemne me: If I say, I am perfect, it shall also prooue me peruerse.

21 Though I were perfect, yet would I not know my soule: I would despise my life.

22 This is one thing, therefore I said it; he destroyeth the perfect and the wicked.

23 If the scourge slay suddenly, hee will laugh at the triall of the innocent.

24 The earth is giuen into the hand of the wicked: he couereth the faces of the Judges thereof; if not, where, and who is hee?

25 Now my dayes are swifter then a poste: they flee away, they see no good.

26 They are passed away as the † swift ships: as the Eagle that hasteth to the pray.

† Hebr. ships of desire.
|| Or, ships of Ebeh.

27 If I say, I will forget my complaint, I will leaue off my heavinesse, and comfort my selfe.

28 I am afraid of all my sorowes, I know that thou wilt not holde me innocent.

29 If I be wicked, why then labour I in vaine?

30 If I wash my selfe with snow water, and make my handes neuer so cleane:

31 Yet shalt thou plunge me in the ditch, and mine owne clothes shall abhorre me.

|| Or, make me to be abhorred.

32 For he is not a man as I am, that I should answer him, and we should come together in iudgement.

33 Neither is there † any dayes-man betwixt vs, that might lay his hand vpon vs both.

† Hebr. one that should argue.
|| Or, vmpire.

34 Let him take his rodde away from me, & let not his feare terrifie me:

35 Then would I speake, and not feare him; † but it is not so with me.

† Hebr. but I am not so with my selfe.

CHAP. X.

1 Iob, taking libertie of complaint, expostulateth with God about his afflictions. 18 Hee complaineth of life, and craueth a little ease before death.

My soule is weary of my life, I will leaue my complaint vpon my selfe; I will speake in the bitternesse of my soule.

|| Or, cut off while I live.

2 I will say vnto God, Doe not condemne mee; shewe me wherefore thou contendest with me.

3 Is it good vnto thee, that thou shouldest oppresse: that thou shouldest despise † the worke of thine hands: and shine vpon the counsell of the wicked?

† Hebr. the labour of thine hands.

4 Hast thou eyes of flesh: or seest thou as man seeth?

5 Are thy dayes as the dayes of man: are thy yeeres as mans dayes,

6 That thou enquirest after mine iniquitie, and searchest after my sinne?

7 † Thou knowest that I am not wicked, and there is none that can deliuer out of thine hand.

† Hebr. It is vpon thy knowledge.
† Hebr. took paines about me.

8 Thine hands † haue made me and fashi-

right
* Plal. 139. 4. and 14. 15.
† Hebr. hedged.
|| That is, thy plagues.
* Chap. 3. 11.
* See Chap. 8. 9. and 7. 6.
† Hebr. a man of lips.

fashioned me together round about: yet thou doest destroy me.

9 Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast made me as the clay, and wilt thou bring me into dust againe:

* Psal. 139. 4. and 14. 15.

10 *Hast thou not powdered me out as milke, and cruddled me like cheese:

† Heb. hedged.

11 Thou hast cloathed me with skin and flesh, and hast † fenced me with bones and sinewes.

12 Thou hast granted me life and fauour, and thy visitation hath preserved my spirit.

13 And these things hast thou hid in thine heart; I know that this is with thee.

14 If I sinne, then thou markest me, and thou wilt not acquite me from mine iniquitie.

15 If I be wicked, woe vnto me; and if I be righteous, yet will I not lift vp my head: I am full of confusion, therefore see thou mine affliction:

16 For it increaseth: thou huntest me as a fierce Lion: and againe thou shewest thy selfe marueilous vpon me.

|| That is, thy plagues.

17 Thou renewest thy || witnesses against me, and increasest thine indignation vpon me; Changes and warre are against me.

* Chap. 3. 11.

18 *Wherefore then hast thou brought me forth out of the wombe: Oh that I had giuen by the ghost, and no eye had seene me!

19 I should haue bene as though I had not bene, I should haue bene caried from the wombe to the graue.

* See Chap. 8. 9. and 7. 6.

20 *Are not my dayes few: cease then, and let me alone that I may take comfort a litle,

21 Before I goe whence I shall not returne, euen to the land of darknes and the shadow of death,

22 A land of darknes, as darknes it selfe, and of the shadow of death, without any order, and where the light is as darkenes.

CHAP. XI.

1 Zophar reproueth Iob, for iustifying himselfe. 5 Gods wisdom is vnsearchable. 13 The assured blessing of repentance.

When answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said, 2 Should not the multitude of words be answered: and should † a man full of talke be iustified:

† Heb. a man of lips.

3 Should thy || lies make men hold their peace: and when thou mockest, shall no man make thee ashamed:

|| Or, denises.

4 For thou hast said, My doctrine is pure, and I am cleane in thine eyes.

5 But, O that God would speake, and open his lippes against thee,

6 And that he would shew thee the secrets of wisdom, that they are double to that which is: know therefore that God exacteth of thee lesse then thine iniquitie deserueth.

7 Canst thou by searching finde out God: canst thou finde out the Almighty vnto perfection:

8 It is † as high as heauen, what canst thou doe: deeper then hell, what canst thou know:

† Heb. the heights of heauen.

9 The measure therof is longer then the earth, and broader then the sea.

10 If he || cut off, and shut vp, or gather together, then † who can hinder him:

|| Or, make a change.

† Heb. who can turne him away?

11 For, he knoweth vaine men: hee seeth wickednesse also, will he not then consider it?

12 For † vaine man would be wise; though man be borne like a wilde asses colt.

† Heb. emptie.

13 If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out thine hands toward him:

14 If iniquitie be in thine hand, put it farre away, and let not wickednes dwell in thy tabernacles.

15 For then shalt thou lift vp thy face without spot, yea thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt not feare:

16 Because thou shalt forget thy misery, and remember it as waters that passe away:

17 And thine age † shall be clearer then the noone day; thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning.

† Heb. shall arise aboue the noone-day.

18 And thou shalt be secure because there is hope, yea thou shalt digge about thee, and thou shalt take thy rest in safety.

19 *Also thou shalt lye downe, and none shall make thee afraid; yea many shall † make suite vnto thee.

* Leuit. 26. 5.

† Heb. entreat thy face.

20 But the eyes of the wicked shall faile, and † they shall not escape, and * their hope shall be as the || giuing vp of the ghost.

† Heb. flight shall perish from them.

* Chap. 8. 14. and 18. 14.

|| Or, a puffed of breath.

CHAP. XII.

1 Iob mainteineth himselfe against his friends that reprove him. 7 He acknowledgeth the generall doctrine of Gods omniporencie.

And

AD Job answered, and layd,

2 No doubt but ye are the people, and wisdom shall die with you.

3 But I have † vnderstanding as well as you, † I am not inferiour to you: yea, † who knoweth not such things as these?

4 I am as one mocked of his neighbour, who calleth vpon God, and he answereth him: the iust vpright man is laughed to scoone.

5 He that is ready to slippe with his feet, is as a lamp despised in the thought of him that is at ease.

6 The tabernacles of robbers prosper, and they that prouoke God are secure, into whose hand God bringeth abundantly.

7 But aske now the beasts, and they shall teach thee; and the foules of the aire, and they shall tell thee.

8 Or speake to the earth, and it shall teach thee; and the fishes of the sea shall declare vnto thee.

9 Who knoweth not in all these, that the hand of the LORD hath wrought this?

10 In whose hand is the || soule of euery living thing, and the breath of † all mankinde.

11 *Doeth not the eare trie wordes: and the † mouth taste his meate?

12 With the ancient is wisdom, and in length of dayes, vnderstanding.

13 With || him is wisdom & strength, he hath counsell and vnderstanding.

14 *Behold, he breaketh downe, and it cannot be built againe: hee *shutteth † by a man, and there can be no opening.

15 Behold, hee withholdeth the waters, and they drie by: also hee sendeth them out, and they ouerturne the earth.

16 With him is strength & wisdom: the deceiued, and the deceiuer, are his.

17 He leadeth counsellors away spoiled, and maketh the Judges fooles.

18 He looseth the bond of kings, and girdeth their loines with a girdle.

19 He leadeth Princes away spoiled, and ouerthroweth the mightie.

20 *He remooueth away † the speech of the trustie, and taketh away the vnderstanding of the aged.

21 He putteth contempt vpon princes, and || weakeneth the strength of the mightie.

22 Hee discovereth deepe things out

of darkenesse, and bringeth out to light the shadow of death.

23 He increaseth the nations, and destroyeth them: hee enlargeth the nations, and † straiteneth them againe.

24 He taketh away the heart of the chiefe of the people of the earth, and causeth them to wander in a wilderness where there is no way.

25 They grope in the darke without light, and hee maketh them to † stagger like a drunken man.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Job reprooueth his friends of partialitie. 14 He professeth his confidence in God: 20 and entreateth to knowe his owne finnes, and Gods purpose in afflicting him.

Hear, mine eye hath seene all this, mine eare hath heard and vnderstood it.

2 What yee know, the same doe I know also, I am not inferiour vnto you.

3 Surely I would speake to the Almighty, & I desire to reason with God.

4 But ye are forgers of lies, yee are all Physicians of no value.

5 O that you would altogether hold your peace, & it should be your wisdom.

6 Heare now my reasoning, and hearken to the pleadings of my lips.

7 Will you speake wickedly for God: and talke deceitfully for him?

8 Will ye accept his person: Will yee contend for God?

9 Is it good that hee should search you out: or as one man mocketh another, doe ye so mocke him?

10 He will surely reprocue you, if yee doe secretly accept persons.

11 Shall not his excellencie make you afraid: and his dread fall vpon you?

12 Your remembrances are like vnto ashes, your bodies to bodies of clay.

13 † Hold your peace, let me alone that I may speake, and let come on me what will.

14 Wherefore doe I take my flesh in my teeth, and put my life in mine hand?

15 Though hee slay mee, yet will I trust in him: but I will † maintaine mine owne wayes before him.

16 Hee also shall be my saluation: for an hypocrite shall not come before him.

17 Heare diligently my speach, and my declaration with your eares.

18 Behold now, I haue ordered my cause, I know that I shall be iustified.

19 who

† Heb. an heart.
† Heb. I fall not lower then you.
† Heb. with whom are not such as these?

|| Or, life.

† Heb. all flesh of man.
* Cha. 34. 3.
† Heb. palate.

|| That is, with God.

* Isa. 22. 22.
* Apoc 3. 7.
† Heb. vpon.

* Cha. 32. 9.
† Heb. the lip of the faithfull.

|| Or, looseth the girdle of the strong.

† Heb. less death.

† Heb. more der.

† Heb. be silent from me

† Heb. promise or argue.

19 Who is hee that will plead with me: for now if I hold my tongue, I shall grieve by the ghost.

20 Only doe not two things vnto me: then will I not hide my selfe from thee.

21 Withdrowe thine hand far from me: and let not thy dread make mee afraid.

22 Then call thou, and I will answer: or let me speake, and answer thou mee.

23 How many are mine iniquities and sinnes: make mee to knowe my transgression, and my sinne.

24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and holdest me for thineemie?

25 Wilt thou breake a leafe driven to and fro: and wilt thou pursue the drie stubble:

26 For thou writest bitter things against mee, and *makest me to possesse the iniquities of my youth.

27 Thou puttest my feete also in the stockes, and †lookest narrowly vnto all my pathes; thou settest a print vpon the †heelles of my feete.

28 And hee, as a rotten thing consumeth, as a garment that is moth-eaten.

CHAP. XIII.

1 Iob intreateth God for fauour, by the shortnes of life, and certainty of death. 7 Though life once lost be irrecoverable, yet he waiteth for his change. 16 By sinne the Creature is subiect to corruption.

MA that is borne of a woman, is †of few dayes, and full of trouble.

2 *Hee cometh forth like a flower, and is cut downe: he fleeth also, as a shadow and continueth not.

3 And doest thou open thine eyes vpon such an one, and bringest me into iudgment with thee?

4 †Who *can bring a cleane thing out of an vncleane: not one.

5 *Seeing his daies are determined, the number of his moneths are with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot passe.

6 Turne from him that hee may †rest, till he shall accomplish, as an hireling, his day.

7 For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut downe, that it will sprout againe, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

8 Though the roote thereof were old in the earth, and the stocke thereof die in the ground:

9 Yet through the sent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughes like a plant.

10 But man dyeth, and †wasteth away: yea, man giueth by the ghost, and where is hee?

11 As the waters faile from the sea, and the flood decayeth and dryeth by:

12 So man lyeth downe, and riseth not, till the heauens be no more, they shall not awake; nor bee raised out of their sleepe.

13 O that thou wouldest hide mee in the graue, that thou wouldest keepe me secret, vntill thy wrath bee past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me.

14 If a man die, shall he liue againe: All the dayes of my appointed time will I waite, till my change come.

15 Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt haue a desire to the worke of thine hands.

16 *For now thou numbrest my steppes, doest thou not watch ouer my sinne:

17 My transgression is sealed by in a bagge, and thou sewest by mine iniquitie.

18 And surely the mountaine falling †rommeth to nought: and the rocke is removed out of his place.

19 The waters weare the stones, thou †washest away the things which growe out of the dust of the earth, and thou destroyest the hope of man.

20 Thou preuailest for euer against him, and hee passeth: thou changest his countenance, and sendest him away.

21 His sonnes come to honour, and he knoweth it not, and they are brought lowe, but he perceiveth it not of them.

22 But his flesh vpon him shall haue paine, and his soule within him shall mourne.

CHAP. XV.

1 Eliphaz reproveth Iob of impiety in iustifying himselfe. 17 He proueth by Tradition the vnquietnes of wicked men.

Hen answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said,

2 Should a wise man utter †vaine knowledge, and fill his belly with the East winde?

3 Should

† Heb. is weakened, or cut off.

* Psa. 136. 2

† Heb. faded.

† Heb. over-floweth.

† Heb. knowledge of wind.

* Psa. 25. 7.

† Heb. observed.

† Heb. roots.

† Heb. short of dayes?

* Psa. 102.

12. & 103.

15. & 144.

4. Iob. 8. 9.

† Heb. who will give?

* Psa. 51. 5.

* Chap. 7. 1.

† Heb. cease.

3 Should hee reason with vnprofitable talke: or with speeches where with he can doe no good:

4 Yea † thou castest off feare, and restrainest || prayer before God.

5 For thy mouth † uttereth thine iniquitie, and thou choolest the tongue of the craftie.

6 Thine owne mouth condemneth thee, and not I: yea thine owne lippes testifie against thee.

7 Art thou the first man that was borne: or wast thou made before the hilles:

8 * Hast thou heard the secret of God: and doest thou restraine wisdom to thy selfe:

9 What knowest thou that we know not: what vnderstandest thou, which is not in vs:

10 With vs are both the gray headed, and very aged men, much elder then thy father.

11 Are the consolations of God small with thee: is there any secret thing with thee:

12 Why doeth thine heart carie thee away: and what doe thine eyes winke at,

13 That thou turnest thy spirit against God, and lettest such words goe out of thy mouth:

14 * What is man, that he should be cleane: and he which is borne of a woman, that he should be righteous:

15 * Beholde, he putteth no trust in his Saints, yea, the heauens are not cleane in his sight.

16 How much more abominable and filthie is man, which drinketh iniquitie like water:

17 I will shew thee, heare me, and that which I haue seene, I wil declare,

18 which wise men haue tolde from their fathers, and haue not hid it:

19 Unto whom alone the earth was giuen, and no stranger passed among them.

20 The wicked man trauaileth with paine all his dayes, and the number of yeeres is hidden to the oppressour.

21 † A dreadfull sound is in his eares; in prosperitie the destroyer shall come vpon him.

22 He beleueth not that he shall returne out of darkenesse, and he is waited for, of the sword.

23 He wandereth abroad for bread, saying, Where is it? he knoweth that the

day of darkenes is ready at his hand.

24 Trouble and anguish shall make him afraid; they shall preuaile against him, as a king ready to the battell.

25 For he stretcheth out his hand against God, and strengtheneth himselfe against the Almighty.

26 He runneth vpon him, euen on his necke, vpon the thicke bosses of his bucklers:

27 Because he couereth his face with his fatnesse, and maketh collops of fat on his flankes.

28 And he dwelleth in desolate cities, and in houses which no man inhabiteth, which are ready to become heapes.

29 He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue, neither shall he prolong the perfection thereof vpon the earth.

30 He shall not depart out of darkenesse, the flame shall drie by his branches, and by the breath of his mouth shall he goe away.

31 Let not him that is deceiued, trust in vanitie: for vanitie shall be his recompence.

32 It shall be || accomplished before his time, and his branch shall not bee greene.

33 He shall shake off his vnripe grape as the Olive, and shall cast off his flowre as the Olive.

34 For the congregation of hypocrites shall be desolate, and fire shall consume the tabernacles of briberie.

35 They conceiue mischief, * and bring forth || vanitie, and their belly prepareth deceit.

CHAP. XVI.

1 Iob reprooueth his friends of vnmercifulnesse. 7 He sheweth the pitifulnesse of his case. 17 He maintaineth his innocencie.

When Iob answered, and said,

2 I haue heard many such things: || * miserable comforters are ye all.

3 Shall † baine words haue an ende: or what emboldeneth thee, that thou answerest:

4 I also could speake as yee doe: if your soule were in my soules stead, I could heape by words against you, and shake mine head at you.

5 But I would strengthen you with my mouth, and the mouing of my lips should

† Heb. thou makest void. || Or, speech. † Heb. teacheth.

* Rom. 11. 34.

* Chap. 14. 4. 1. king. 8. 46. 2. chron. 6. 36. psal. 14. 3. prou. 20. 9. 1. ioh. 1. 8. * Iob. 4. 18.

† Hebr. a sound of feares.

|| Or, cut off.

* Ely 59. 4. psal. 7. 15. || Or, iniquitie.

|| Or, troublesome.

* Chap. 13.

4. † Heb. words of wind.

Should assuage your griete.

6 Though I speake, my griete is not asswaged: and though I forbear, what am I eased?

7 But now he hath made me weary: thou hast made desolate al my companie.

8 And thou hast filled mee with wrinkles, which is a witness against me: and my leanness rising vp in me, beareth witness to my face.

9 He teareth me in his wrath, who hateth me: he gnasheth vpon me with his teeth; mine enemy sharpeneth his eyes vpon me.

10 They haue gaped vpon me with their mouth, they haue smitten me vpon the cheek reprochfully, they haue gathered themselues together against mee.

11 God hath deliuered me to the vngodly, and turned me ouer into the hands of the wicked.

12 I was at ease, but he hath broken me asunder: he hath also taken me by my necke, and shaken me to pieces, and set me vp for his marke.

13 His archers compass me round about, he cleaueth my reins asunder, and doeth not spare; he poureth out my gall vpon the ground.

14 He breaketh me with breach vpon breach, he runneth vpon me like a giant.

15 I haue sowed sackcloth vpon my skin, and defiled my home in the dust.

16 My face is fowle with weeping, and on mine eye-lids is the shadow of death;

17 Not for any iniustice in mine hands: also my prayer is pure.

18 O earth couer not thou my blood, and let my cry haue no place.

19 Also now, behold my witness is in heauen, and my record is on high.

20 My friends scorne me: but mine eye poureth out teares vnto God.

21 O that one might plead for a man with God, as a man pleadeth for his neighbour.

22 When a few yeeres are come, then I shall goe the way whence I shall not returne.

CHAP. XVII.

1 Job appealeth from men to God. 6 The vnmerefull dealing of men with the afflicted, may astonish, but not discourage the righteous. 11 His hope is not in life, but in death.

My breath is corrupt, my dayes are extinct, the graues are ready for me.

2 Are there not mockers with mee: and doeth not mine eye continue in their prouocation?

3 Lay downe now, put me in a suretie with thee; who is he that will strike hands with me?

4 For thou hast hid their heart from vnderstanding: therefore shalt thou not exalt them.

5 Hee that speaketh flattery to his friends, euen the eyes of his children shall faile.

6 He hath made me also a by-word of the people, and as afore time I was as a tabret.

7 Mine eye also is dimme by reason of sorrow, and all my members are as a shadow.

8 Upright men shall be astonied at this, and the innocent shall stirre by himselfe against the hypocrite.

9 The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath cleane hands shall be stronger, and stronger.

10 But as for you all, doe you returne, and come now, for I cannot find one wise man among you.

11 My dayes are past, my purposes are broken off, euen the thoughts of my heart:

12 They change the night into day: the light is short, because of darknes.

13 If I waite, the graue is mine house: I haue made my bedde in the darknesse.

14 I haue said to corruption, Thou art my father: to the worme, Thou art my mother, and my sister.

15 And where is now my hope: as for my hope, who shall see it?

16 They shall goe downe to the barres of the pit, when our rest together is in the dust.

CHAP. XVIII.

1 Bildad reprooueth Job of presumption and impatiencie. 5 The calamities of the wicked.

Then answered Bildad the Shuhite and said,

2 How long will it bee, ere you make an ende of words? Marke, and afterwards we will speake.

3 Wherefore are wee counted as beasts, and reputed vile in your sight?

4 He

Or, my spirit is spent.

Heb. lodge.

Or, before them.

Or, my thoughts.

Heb. shall adde strength.

Heb. the possessions.

Heb. neere

Heb. cried, or called.

Heb. what goeth from me?

Heb. hath sent me vp.

Heb. in the high places.

Heb. are my scorn.

Or, friend. Heb. yeeres of number.

† Hebr. his soule.

4 He teareth himselfe in his anger: shall the earth be forsaken for thee: and shall the rocke bee remooued out of his place:

5 Yea, the light of the wicked shall be put out, and the sparke of his fire shall not shine.

|| Or, lampe.

6 The light shall be darke in his tabernacle, and his candle shall be put out with him.

7 The steps of his strength shall be straitened, and his owne counsell shall cast him downe.

8 For hee is cast into a net by his owne feete, & he walketh vpon a snare.

9 The grinne shall take him by the heele, and the robber shall preuaile against him.

† Hebr. hidden.

10 The snare is laide for him in the ground, and a trap for him in the way.

11 Terrours shall make him afraid on euery side, and shall drive him to his feete.

† Hebr. scatter him.

12 His strength shall be hunger-bitten, and destruction shall be ready at his side.

† Hebr. barres

13 It shall deuoure the strength of his skinne: euen the first borne of death shall deuoure his strength.

* Cha. 8. 14. and 11. 20. pfa. 112. 10. pro. 10. 28.

14 His confidence shall be rooted out of his tabernacle, and it shall bring him to the king of terrours.

15 It shall dwell in his tabernacle, because it is none of his: brimstone shall be scattered vpon his habitation.

16 His rootes shall be dried by beneath: and aboue shall his branch be cut off.

* Pro. 2. 22.

17 His remembrance shall perish from the earth, and hee shall haue no name in the streete.

† Hebr. they shall drive him.

18 He shall be driven from light into darkenesse, and chased out of the world.

19 Hee shall neither haue sonne nor nephew among his people, nor any remaining in his dwellings.

20 They that come after him shall be astonied at his day, as they that went before, & were affrighted.

|| Or, liued with him. † Hebr. layd holde on honor.

21 Surely such are the dwellings of the wicked, and this is the place of him that knoweth not God.

C H A P. XIX.

1 Iob complaining of his friends cruelty, sheweth there is miserie enough in him to feede their crueltie. 21. 28 Hee craueth pitie. 23 He beleueth the resurrection.



Then Iob answered, and sayd,

2 How long will yee bere my soule, and breake me in pieces with words:

3 These tenne times haue ye reproched me: you are not ashamed that you make your selues strange to me.

4 And be it indeed that I haue erred, mine errour remaineth with my selfe.

|| Or, harden your selues against me.

5 If indeed yee will magnifie your selues against me, and plead against me my reproch:

6 Know now that God hath ouerthrowen me, and hath compassed me with his net.

7 Behold, I cry out of wrong, but I am not heard: I cry aloude, but there is no iudgement.

|| Or, violence.

8 Hee hath fenced by my way that I cannot passe; and hee hath set darkenesse in my pathes.

9 Hee hath stript me of my glory, and taken the crowne from my head.

10 He hath destroyed me on euery side, and I am gone: and mine hope hath he remooued like a tree.

11 He hath also kindled his wrath against me, and hee counteth me vnto him as one of his enemies.

12 His troupes come together, and raise by their way against me, and encampe round about my tabernacle.

13 Hee hath put my brethren farre from me, and mine acquaintance are verely estranged from me.

14 My kinsfolke haue failed, and my familiar friends haue forgotten me.

15 They that dwell in mine house, and my maides count me for a stranger: I am an aliant in their sight.

16 I called my seruant, and he gaue me no answer: I intreated him with my mouth.

17 My breath is strange to my wife, though I entreated for the childrens sake of mine owne body.

18 Yea, yong children despised me; I arose, and they spake against me.

19 All my inward friends abhorred me: and they whom I loued, are turned against me.

20 My bone cleaueth to my skinne, and to my flesh, and I am escaped with the skinne of my teeth.

21 Haue pity vpon me, haue pitie vpon me, O ye my friends; for the hand of God hath touched me.

† Hebr. my belly. || Or, the wicked. * Psa. 41. 9. and 55. 19. † Hebr. the men of my secret.

22 Why doe ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh:

† Heb. who will give? &c.

23 † Oh that my wordes were now written, oh that they were printed in a booke!

24 That they were grauen with an iron pen and lead, in the rocke for euer.

25 For I know that my Redeemer liueth, and that he shall stand at the latter day, vpon the earth:

|| Or, After I shall awake though this body be destroyed, yet out of my flesh shall I see God.

26 || And though after my skin, wormes destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:

27 Whom I shall see for my selfe, and mine eyes shall beholde, and not † another, though my reines bee consumed † within me.

† Heb. a stranger. † Heb. in my bosome. || Or, and what roote of matter is found in me?

28 But ye should say, Why persecute we him? || seeing the roote of the matter is found in me.

29 Bee ye afraid of the sword: for wrath bringeth the punishments of the sword, that yee may know there is a iudgement.

CHAP. XX.

Zophar sheweth the state and portion of the wicked.

When answered Zophar the Naamathite, and saide,

2 Therefore doe my thoughts cause mee to answer, and for this

† Heb. my haste is in me.

† I make haste.

3 I haue heard the checke of my reproach, and the spirit of my vnderstanding cauleth me to answere.

4 Knowest thou not this of old, since man was placed vpon earth,

* Psa. 37. 37. † Heb. from neere.

5 * That the triumphing of the wicked is † short, and the toy of the hypocrite but for a moment:

† Heb. cloud.

6 Though his excellencie mount vpon to the heauens, and his head reach vnto the † clouds:

7 Yet he shall perish for euer, like his owne dung: they which haue seene him, shall say, where is he?

8 He shall flie away as a dreame, and shall not be found: yea he shall be chased away as a vision of the night.

9 The eye also which saw him, shall see him no more; neither shall his place any more behold him.

|| Or, the poore shall oppresse his children.

10 || His children shall seeke to please the poore, and his hands shall restore their goods.

11 His bones are full of the sinne of his

youth, which shall lye downe with him in the dust.

12 Though wickednes be sweet in his mouth, though hee hide it vnder his tongue;

13 Though he spare it, and forsake it not, but keepe it still † within his mouth:

† Heb. in the midst of his palate.

14 Yet his meate in his bowels is turned, it is the gall of Aspes within him.

15 He hath swallowed downe riches, and hee shall vomite them vpon againe: God shall cast them out of his belly.

16 He shall sucke the poison of Aspes: the vipers tongue shall slay him.

|| Or, streaming brooks.

17 Hee shall not see the rivers, || the floods, the brookes of hony and butter.

18 That which he laboured for, shall he restore, & shall not swallow it downe: † according to his substance shall the restitution bee, and hee shall not reioyce therein.

† Heb. according to the substance of his exchange. † Heb. crushed. * Eccles. 5. 12.

19 Because hee hath † oppressed, and hath forsaken the poore; because he hath violently taken away an * house which he builded not:

20 Surely he shall not † feele quietnesse in his belly, hee shall not saue of that which he desired.

† Heb. know.

21 || There shall none of his meat be left, therefore shall no man looke for his goods.

|| Or, there shall be none left for his meats.

22 In the fulnesse of his sufficiencie, hee shall be in straites: euery hand of the || wicked shall come vpon him.

|| Or, trouble some.

23 When he is about to fill his belly, God shall cast the furie of his wrath vpon him, and shall raine it vpon him while he is eating.

24 He shall flee from the iron weapon, and the bow of Steele shall strike him through.

25 It is drawen, and commeth out of the body; yea the glittering sword commeth out of his gall; terrours are vpon him.

26 All darknesse shall be hid in his secret places: a fire not blowen shall consume him; it shall goe ill with him that is left in his tabernacle.

27 The heauen shall reueale his iniquitie: and the earth shall rise vpon against him.

28 The increase of his house shall depart, and his goods shall flow away in the day of his wrath.

29 This is the portion of a wicked man from God, and the heritage † appointed vnto him by God.

† Heb. of his decree from God.

CHAP. XXI.

1 Job sheweth that euen in the iudgement of man, he hath reason to be grieued. 7 Sometimes the wicked doe so prosper, as they despise God. 16 Sometime their destruction is manifest. 22 The happy and vnhappy are alike in death. 27 The iudgement of the wicked is in another world.

BUt Job answered, and sayd,
2 Heare diligently my speech, and let this be your consolations.

3 Suffer me that I may speake, and after that I haue spoken, mocke on.

4 As for mee, is my complaint to man: and if it were so, why should not my spirit be troubled:

5 **H**earke mee, and be astonished, and lay your hand vpon your mouth.

6 Euen when I remember, I am afraid, and trembling taketh holde on my flesh.

7 *Wherefore doe the wicked liue, become old, yea, are mightie in power:

8 Their seede is established in their sight with them, and their offspring before their eyes.

9 Their houses are safe from feare, neither is the rod of God vpon them.

10 Their bull gendreth and faileth not, their cow calueth, and casteth not her calfe.

11 They send forth their little ones like a flocke, and their children dance.

12 They take the timbrell and harpe, and reioyce at the sound of the organe.

13 They spend their daies in wealth, and in a moment goe downe to the graue.

14 *Therefore they say vnto God, Depart from vs: for we desire not the knowledge of thy wayes.

15 What is the Almighty, that wee should serue him: and what profite should we haue, if we pray vnto him:

16 Loe, their good is not in their hand, the counsell of the wicked is farre from me.

17 How oft is the candle of the wicked put out: and how oft comneth their destruction vpon them: God distributeth sorrowes in his anger.

18 They are as stubble before the winde, and as chaffe that the storme carieth away.

19 God layeth vp his iniquitie for

his children: he rewardeth him, and he shall know it.

20 His eyes shall see his destruction, and he shall drinke of the wrath of the Almighty.

21 For what pleasure hath he in his house after him, when the number of his moneths is cut off in the midst:

22 Shall any teach God knowledge: seeing he iudgeth those that are high.

23 One dieth in his full strength, being wholly at ease and quiet.

24 His breasts are full of milke, and his bones are moistened with marrow.

25 And another dieth in the bitterness of his soule, and neuer eateth with pleasure.

26 They shall lie downe alike in the dust, and the wormes shall cover them.

27 Behold, I know your thoughts, and the deuices which yee wrongfully imagine against me.

28 For ye say, where is the house of the prince: and where are the dwelling places of the wicked:

29 Haue ye not asked them that goe by the way: and doe ye not know their tokens:

30 *That the wicked is reserued to the day of destruction; they shall be brought forth to the day of wrath.

31 Who shall declare his way to his face: and who shall repay him what he hath done:

32 Yet shall hee be brought to the graue, & shall remaine in the tombe.

33 The cloudes of the valley shall be sweete vnto him, and euery man shall draw after him, as there are innumerable before him.

34 How then comfort ye me in vaine, seeing in your answeres there remaineth falshood:

CHAP. XXII.

1 Eliphaz sheweth that mans goodnesse profiteth not God. 5 Hee accuseth Iob of diuers finnes. 21 He exhorteth him to repentance, with promises of mercy.

When Eliphaz the Temanite answered, and said,
2 Can a man be profitable vnto God: as hee that is wise may be profitable vnto himselfe.

3 Is it any pleasure to the Almighty, that thou art righteous: or is it gaine to him, that thou makest thy waies perfit:

4 will

† Heb. scorned.
† Heb. looke vnto me.

* Psal. 17.
10. and 73.
12. ierc. 12.
1. hab. 1. 16.

† Heb. are peace from feare.

|| Or, in mirth.

Chap. 22.
17.

|| Or, lampe.

† Heb. stealeth away.
|| That is, the punishment of his iniquitie.

† Heb. in his very perfection, or in the strength of his perfection.
|| Or, milke-pales.

† Heb. the tent of the tabernacles of the wicked.

* Pro. 16. 4.

† Heb. the day of wrath.

† Heb. graues.
† Heb. match in the heape.

† Heb. transgression.

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|| Or, their excellencie.
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Eliphaz exhorteth Chap. xxiiij. Iob to repentance.

4 Will hee reprove thee for feare of thee: Will he enter with thee into iudgment?

5 Is not thy wickednesse great: and thine iniquities infinite?

6 For thou hast taken a pledge from thy brother for nought, and † stripped the naked of their clothing.

7 Thou hast not giuen water to the wearie to drinke, and thou hast withholden bread from the hungry.

8 But as for the † mightie man, hee had the earth, and † the honourable man dwelt in it.

9 Thou hast sent widowes away emptie, and the armes of the fatherlesse haue bene broken.

10 Therefore snares are round about thee, and sudden feare troubleth thee,

11 Or darkenes that thou canst not see, and abundance of waters couer thee.

12 Is not God in the height of heauen: and behold the † height of the starres how high they are.

13 And thou sayest, || How doth God know: can he iudge through the darke cloude:

14 Thicke cloudes are a couering to him that he seeth not, and hee walketh in the circuit of heauen.

15 Hast thou marked the olde way which wicked men haue troden:

16 Which were cut downe out of time, † whose foundation was ouerflown with a flood.

17 * Which said vnto God, Depart from vs, and what can the Almighty doe || for them:

18 * Yet he filled their houses with good things: but the counsell of the wicked is farre from me.

19 * The righteous see it, and are glad, and the innocent laugh them to scorne.

20 Whereas our || substance is not cut downe, but the || remnant of them the fire consumeth.

21 Acquaint now thy selfe with || him, and be at peace: thereby good shal come vnto thee.

22 Receiue, I pray thee, the Lawe from his mouth, and lay by his words in thine heart.

23 * If thou returne to the Almighty, thou shalt be built vp, thou shalt put away iniquitie farre from thy tabernacles.

24 Then shalt thou lay by golde || as

dust, and the gold of Ophir as the stones of the brookes.

25 Vea the Almighty shall bee thy || defence, and thou shalt haue † plenty of siluer.

26 For then shalt thou haue thy delight in the Almighty, and shalt lift vp thy face vnto God.

27 Thou shalt make thy prayer vnto him, and he shall heare thee, and thou shalt pay thy vowes.

28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shal be established vnto thee: and the light shall shine vpon thy wayes.

29 When men are cast downe, then thou shalt say, There is lifting vp: and he shall saue the † humble person.

30 || He shall deliuer the Iland of the innocent: and it is deliuered by the purenesse of thine hands.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 Iob longeth to appeare before God, 6 in confidence of his mercie. 8 God who is inuisible, obserueth our wayes. 11 Iobs innocencie. 13 Gods decree is immutable.

When Iob answered, and said,

2 Euen to day is my complaint bitter: my † stroke is heauier then my groning.

3 O that I knewe where I might find him! that I might come euen to his seate!

4 I would order my cause before him, and fill my mouth with arguments.

5 I would know the words which he would answere me, and vnderstand what he would say vnto me.

6 Will he plead against me with his great power? No, but hee would put strength in me.

7 There the righteous might dispute with him: so should I be deliuered for euer from my Iudge.

8 Behold, I goe forward, but he is not there, and backward, but I cannot perceiue him:

9 On the left hand where hee doeth worke, but I cannot behold him: he hideth himselfe on the right hand, that I cannot see him.

10 But he knoweth † the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.

11 My foot hath held his steps, his way haue I kept, and not declined.

† Heb. stripped the clothes of the naked.

† Heb. the man of arme
† Heb. eminent or accepted for countenance.

† Heb. the head of the starres.
|| Or, what.

† Heb. a flood was poured upon their foundation.
* Chap. 21.

14.
|| Or, to them
* Chap. 21.

* Psal. 107.
42.

|| Or, estate.
|| Or, their excellencie.
|| That is, with God.

* Chap. 8. 5.

|| Or, on the dust.

|| Or, gold.
† Heb. siluer of strength.

† Heb. him that hath lowe eyes.
|| Or, the innocent shall deliuer the Iland.

† Hebr. my hand.

† Heb. the way that is with me.

† Hebr. I haue hid, or layd vp. || Or, my appointed portion. * Pſal. 115. 3.

12 Neither haue I gone backe from the commaundement of his lippes, † I haue eſteemed the words of his mouth more then || my neceſſary food.

13 But hee is in one minde, and who can turne him: and what * his ſoule deſireth, euen that he doeth.

14 For he performeth the thing that is appointed for mee: and many ſuch things are with him.

15 Therefore am I troubled at his preſence: when I conſider, I am afraid of him.

16 For God maketh my heart ſoft, and the Almighty troubleth me:

17 Becauſe I was not cut off before the darknes, neither hath he covered the darknes from my face.

CHAP. XXIII.

1 Wickedneſſe goeth often unpuniſhed. 17 There is a ſecret iudgement for the wicked.

Why, ſeeing Times are not hidden from the Almighty, doe they, that know him not, ſee his dayes:

2 Some remooue the * land-markes; they violently take away flocks, and || feed thereof.

3 They drive away the aſſe of the fatherleſſe, they take the widowes ore for a pledge.

4 They turne the needy out of the way: the poore of the earth hide themſelues together.

5 Behold, as wilde aſſes in the deſart, goe they forth to their worke, riſing betimes for a pray: the wildernes yeeldeth food for them; and for their children.

6 They reape euery one his † corne in the field: and † they gather the vintage of the wicked.

7 They cauſe the naked to lodge without clothing, that they haue no couering in the cold.

8 They are wet with the ſhowres of the mountaines, and embrace the rocke for want of a ſhelter.

9 They plucke the fatherleſſe from the beaſt, and take a pledge of the poore.

10 They cauſe him to go naked without clothing: and they take away the ſheafe from the hungry,

11 Which make oyle within their walles, and tread their winepreſſes, and ſuffer thirſt.

12 Men groane from out of the city,

and the ſoule of the wounded crieth out: yet God layeth not folly to them.

13 They are of thoſe that rebell againſt the light, they know not the wayes thereof, nor abide in the pathes thereof.

14 The murderer riſing with the light, killeth the poore and needy, and in the night is as a thiefe.

15 The eye alſo of the adulterer waiteth for the twilight, ſaying, No eye ſhall ſee me: and † diſguileth his face.

16 In the darke they digge through houſes, which they had marked for themſelues in the day time: they know not the light.

17 For the morning is to them euen as the ſhadow of death: if one know them, they are in the terrours of the ſhadow of death.

18 Hee is ſwift as the waters, their portion is curſed in the earth: he beholdeth not the way of the vineyards.

19 Drought and heate † conſume the ſnow waters: ſo doeth the graue thoſe which haue ſinned.

20 The wombe ſhall forget him, the worme ſhall feed ſweetly on him, hee ſhall be no more remembred, and wickednes ſhall be broken as a tree.

21 He euill intreateth the barren, that beareth not: and doeth not good to the widow.

22 He draweth alſo the mighty with his power: he riſeth vp, || and no man is ſure of life.

23 Though it be giuen him to be in ſafety, whereon he reſteth; yet his eyes are vpon their wayes.

24 They are exalted for a litle while, but † are gone and brought low, they are taken out of the way as al other, and cut off as the tops of the eares of corne.

25 And if it be not ſo now, who will make mee a liar, and make my ſpeech nothing worth:

CHAP. XXV.

Bildad ſheweth that man cannot be iuſtified before God.



hen answered Bildad the Shuhite, and ſaid:

2 Dominion and feare are with him, hee maketh peace in his high places.

3 Is there any number of his armies: and vpon whom doeth not his light ariſe:

4 * how

* Deut. 19. 14. and 27. 17. || Or, feed them.

† Hebr mingled corne, or dredge. † Hebr. the wicked gather the vintage.

† Hebr. ſer. reth his face in ſecret.

† Hebr. violently take it.

|| Or, hee truſteth not his owne life.

† Hebr. are not. † Hebr. cloſed vp.

Chap. 4. 17. &c. &c. 15. 14. &c.

Pſal. 22. 6.

|| Or, with the inhabitants. Pro. 15. 11.

† Hebr. until the end of light with darkneſſe.

† Hebr. pride.

Chap. 4.
17. &c. &
15. 14. &c.

4 *How then can man bee iustified with God: or how can he be cleane that is borne of a woman?

5 Behold euen to the moone, and it shineth not, yea the starres are not pure in his sight.

* Psa. 22. 6.

6 How much lesse man, that is a worme: and the sonne of man which is a * worme:

CHAP. XXVI.

1 Job reproving the vncharitable spirit of Bidad, 5 acknowledgeth the power of God to be infinite and vnsearchable.

UT Job answered and sayd,

2 Howe hast thou helped him that is without power: how sauest thou the arme that hath no strength?

3 How hast thou counselled him that hath no wisdom: and how hast thou plentifully declared the thing, as it is?

4 To whom hast thou vttered words: and whose spirit came from thee?

|| Or, with the inhabitants thereof.
* Pro. 15. 11

5 Dead things are formed from vnder the waters, || and the inhabitants thereof.

6 *Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no couering.

7 He stretcheth out the North ouer the emptie place, and hangeth the earth vpon nothing.

8 Hee bindeth by the waters in his thicke clouds, and the cloud is not rent vnder them.

9 Hee holdeth backe the face of his throne, and spreadeth his cloud vpon it.

† Heb. vntill the end of light with darknesse.

10 Hee hath compassed the waters with bounds, † vntill the day and night come to an end.

11 The pillars of heauen tremble, and are astonished at his reproofe.

12 Hee diuideth the sea with his power, and by his vnderstanding he smiteth through † the proud.

† Heb. pride.

13 By his spirit he hath garnished the heauens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.

14 Loe, these are parts of his waies, but how little a portion is heard of him: but the thunder of his power who can vnderstand?

CHAP. XXVII.

1 Job protesteth his sincerity. 8 The Hypocrite is without hope. 11 The blessings, which the wicked haue, are turned into curses:



Dozeuer Job continued his parable, and sayd,

† Heb. added to take vp.

2 As God liueth, who hath taken away my iudgment, and the Almighty, who hath † vex-

† Heb. made my soule bitter.

ed my soule;

3 All the while my breath is in mee, and * the spirit of God is in my nostrils;

* That is, the breath which God gaue him.

4 My lips shall not speake wickednesse, nor my tongue vtter decett.

5 God forbid that I should iustifie you: till I die, I will not remoue my integritie from me.

6 My righteousnesse I hold fast, and will not let it goe: my heart shall not reproach me † so long as I liue.

† Heb. from my daies.

7 Let mineemie be as the wicked, and he that riseth by against me, as the vnrightheous.

8 * For what is the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, when God taketh away his soule?

* Mat. 16. 26.

9 * Will God heare his cry, when trouble commeth vpon him?

* Prou. 1. 28. Ezech. 8. 18. Iohn. 9. 31. Iam. 4. 3.

10 Will he delight himselfe in the Almighty: Will hee alwayes call vpon God?

11 I will teach you || by the hand of God: that which is with the Almighty, will I not conceale.

|| Or, being in the hand &c.

12 Behold, all ye your selues haue seene it. Why then are yee thus altogether vaine?

13 This is the portion of a wicked man with God, and the heritage of oppressours which they shall receiue of the Almighty.

14 If his children be multiplied, it is for the sword: and his offspring shall not be satisfied with bread.

15 * Those that remaine of him shall bee buried in death: and his widowes shall not weepe.

* Psa. 78. 65.

16 Though he heape by siluer as the dust, and prepare rayment as the clay:

17 He may prepare it, but the iust shall put it on, and the innocent shall diuide the siluer.

18 He buildeth his house as a moth, and as a booth that the keeper maketh.

19 The rich man shall lie downe, but he shall not be gathered: he openeth his eyes, and he is not:

20 * Terrours take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away in the night.

* Chap. 18. 11.

21 The East winde carrieth him away,

Way, and he departeth: and as a storme hurleth him out of his place.

† Heb. in fleeing he would flee.

22 For God shall cast vpon him, and not spare: † hee would faine flee out of his hand.

23 Men shall clap their handes at him, and shall hisse him out of his place.

CHAP. XXVIII.

1 There is a knowledge of naturall things. 12 But wisdom is an excellent gift of God.

|| Or, a mine.

Surely there is || a veine for the siluer, and a place for golde where they fine it.

|| Or, dust.

2 Iron is taken out of the || earth, and brasle is molten out of the stone.

3 Hee setteth an ende to darkenesse, and searcheth out all perfection: the stones of darkenesse and the shadow of death.

4 The floud breaketh out from the inhabitant; euen the waters forgotten of the foote: they are dried vp, they are gone away from men.

5 As for the earth, out of it commeth bread: and vnder it, is turned vp as it were fire.

|| Or, gold-oare.

6 The stones of it are the place of Saphires: and it hath || dust of golde.

7 There is a path which no foule knoweth, and which the vulturs eye hath not seene.

8 The Lyons whelps haue not troden it, nor the fierce Lyon passed by it.

|| Or, flint.

9 Hee putteth forth his hand vpon the || rocke; hee ouerturneth the mountaines by the rootes.

10 Hee cutteth out riuers among the rockes, and his eye seeth euery precious thing.

† Heb. from weeping.

11 He bindeth the flouds † from overflowing, and the thing that is hid, bringeth he forth to light.

12 But where shall wisdom be found: and where is the place of vnderstanding:

13 Man knoweth not the price thereof; neither is it found in the land of the liuing.

* Rom. 11.

33, 34.

† Heb. fine gold shall not be giuen for it.

* Pro. 3. 14. and 8. 11, 19. and 16. 16.

14 * The depth saith, It is not in me: and the sea saith, It is not with me.

15 † It * cannot be gotten for golde, neither shall siluer be weighed for the price thereof.

16 It cannot be valued with the golde of Ophir, with the precious Onix, or the Saphire.

17 The golde and the chrysell cannot equall it: and the exchange of it shall not be for || iewels of fine golde.

|| Or, jewels of fine gold. || Or, Raimoth.

18 No mention shall be made of || Corall, or of Pearles: for the price of wisdom is aboue Rubies.

19 The Topaze of Ethiopia shall not equall it, neither shall it be valued with pure golde.

* Ver. 12.

20 * Whence then commeth wisdom: and where is the place of vnderstanding:

21 Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all liuing, and kept close from the foules of the || ayre.

|| Or, heauen.

22 Destruction and death say, Wee haue heard the same thereof with our eares.

23 God vnderstandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof.

24 For hee looketh to the endes of the earth, and seeth vnder the whole heauen:

25 To make the weight for the windes, and he weigheth the waters by measure.

26 When hee made a decree for the raine, and a way for the lightning of the thunder:

27 Then did he see it, || and declare it, he prepared it, yea and searched it out.

|| Or, did number it.

28 * And vnto man he said, Behold, the feare of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to depart from euill, is vnderstanding.

* Psa. 111. 10. prou. 1. 7. & 9. 10.

CHAP. XXIX.

Iob bemoaneth himselfe, of his former prosperitie and honour.

Moreouer Job † continued his parable, and said,

† Heb. added to take vp.

2 O that I were as in moneths past, as in the dayes when God preserved me.

3 When his || candle shined vpon my head, and when by his light I walked through darkenesse:

|| Or, lampe.

4 As I was in the dayes of my youth, when the secret of God was vpon my tabernacle:

5 When the Almighty was yet with me, when my children were about me:

6 When I washed my steps with butter, and the rocke powdered † me out riuers of oyle:

† Heb. with me.

7 When I went out to the gate, through the citie, when I prepared my seate in the street.

8 The

† Heb. the voice of the nobles was hid.

† Heb. the saw teeth or the grinders † Heb. I cast

† Heb. opened.

† Heb. new.

† Heb. changed.

† Heb. of fewer dayes than I.

8 The yong men saw me, and hid themselves: and the aged arose, and stood vp.

9 The princes refrained talking, and laid their hand on their mouth.

10 † The Nobles held their peace, and their tongue cleaued to the roose of their mouth.

11 When the eare heard mee, then it blessed me, and when the eye saw me, it gaue witness to me:

12 Because I deliuered the poore that cried, and the fatherlesse, and him that had none to helpe him.

13 The blessing of him that was ready to perish, came vpon me: and I caused the widowes heart to sing for ioy.

14 I put on righteousnesse, and it clothed me: my iudgement was as a robe and a diademe.

15 I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to the lame.

16 I was a father to the poore: and the cause which I knewe not, I searched out.

17 And I brake the † iawes of the wicked, and † pluckt the spoile out of his teeth.

18 Then I said, I shall die in my nest, and I shall multiplie my dayes as the sand.

19 My roote was † spread out by the waters, and the dew lay all night vpon my branch.

20 My glory was † fresh in mee, and my bow was † renewed in my hand.

21 Unto me men gaue eare, and waited, and kept silence at my counsell.

22 After my words they spake not againe, & my speach dropped vpon them.

23 And they waited for me as for the raine, and they opened their mouth wide as for the latter raine.

24 If I laughed on them, they beleued it not, and the light of my countenance they cast not downe.

25 I chose out their way, and sate chiefe, and dwelt as a king in the army, as one that comforteth the mourners.

CHAP. XXX.

1 Iobs honour is turned into extreme contempt.

15 His prosperitie into calamitie.

BUt nowe they † that are yonger then I, haue mee in derision, whole fathers I would haue disdained to haue set with the dogs of my flocke.

2 Hea whereto might the strength of their hands profit me, in whom olde age was perished:

3 For want and famine they were solitarie: flying into the wildernesse † in former time desolate and waste:

4 Who cut by mallowes by the bushes, and Juniper rootes for their meate.

5 They were driuen forth from among men, (they cried after them, as after a thiefe.)

6 To dwell in the cliffs of the valleys, in † caues of the earth, and in the rockes.

7 Among the bushes they brayed: vnder the nettles they were gathered together.

8 They were children of fooles, yea children of † base men: they were vile then the earth.

9 * And now am I their song, yea I am their by-word.

10 They abhorre me, they flee farre from me, † and spare not to spit in my face.

11 Because hee hath loosed my cord and afflicted me, they haue also let loose the bridle before me.

12 Upon my right hand rise the youth, they push away my feete, and they raise vp against mee the wayes of their destruction.

13 They marre my path, they set forward my calamitie, they haue no helper.

14 They came vpon me as a wide breaking in of waters: in the desolation they rolled themselves vpon me.

15 Terrours are turned vpon mee: they pursue † my soule as the wind: and my welfare passeth away as a cloude.

16 And now my soule is powdered out vpon me: the dayes of affliction haue taken hold vpon me.

17 My bones are pierced in mee in the night season: and my sinewes take no rest.

18 By the great force of my disease, is my garment changed: it bindeth mee about as the collar of my coat.

19 He hath cast mee into the myze, and I am become like dust and ashes.

20 I crie vnto thee, and thou doest not heare me: I stand vp, and thou regardest me not.

21 Thou art † become cruell to me: with † thy strong hand thou opposest thy selfe against me.

22 Thou

† Heb. the voice of the nobles was hid.

† Heb. the saw teeth or the grinders
† Heb. I cast

† Heb. opened.

† Heb. new.

† Heb. changed.

† Heb. of fewer dayes then I.

|| Or, darke as the night.
† Heb. yesternight.

† Heb. holes.

† Heb. men of no name.

* Psal. 35. 15. and 69. 12.

† Heb. and withhold not spittle from my face.

† Heb. my principall one

† Heb. turned to be cruell.
† Hebr. the strength of thy hand.

22 Thou liftest me vp to the Wind :
thou causest me to ride vpon it, and dissol-
uest my substance.

|| Or, wise-
dome.

23 For I know that thou wilt bring
me to death, and to the house appointed
for all liuing.

† Heb. heape.

24 Howbeit he will not stretch out
his hand to the † graue, though they cry
in his destruction.

* Rom. 12.

15. psal. 35.

13.

† Heb. for
him that was
hard of day.

25 * Did not I weepe † for him that
was in trouble : Was not my soule grie-
ued for the poore :

26 When I looked for good, then
euill came vnto mee : and when I wat-
ted for light, there came darkenes.

27 My bowels boyled and rested
not : the dayes of affliction preuented
mee.

28 I went mourning without the
Sunne : I stood by, and I cried in the
Congregation.

* Psal. 102.

6.

|| Or, ostri-
ches.

29 * I am a brother to dragons, and
a companion to owles.

30 My skinne is blacke vpon mee,
and my bones are burnt with heat.

31 My harpe also is turned to mour-
ning, and my organe into the voyce of
them that weepe.

C H A P. XXXI.

Job maketh a solemne protestation of his inte-
gritie in seuerall dueties.

HAde a couenant with
mine eyes ; why then
should I thinke vpon a
mayd :

2 For what portion of
God is there from aboue : and what in-
heritance of the Almighty from on
high :

3 Is not destruction to the Wicked :
and a strange punishment to the workers
of iniquitie :

* 2. Chron.

16. 9. iob

32. 21. pro.

5. 21. and

15. 3.

† Hebr. let

him weigh

mee in ba-

lances of

Iustice.

4 * Doeth not he see my wayes, and
count all my steps :

5 If I haue walked with banitie,
or if my foot hath hasted to deceit :

6 † Let me bee weighed in an euen
ballance, that God may know mine in-
tegritie.

7 If my step hath turned out of the
way, and mine heart walked after
mine eyes, and if any blot hath cleaued
to my hands :

8 Then let mee soe, and let another
eate, yea let my off-spring be rooted out.

9 If mine heart haue bene deceiued
by a woman, or if I haue layde wait at

my neighbours doore :

10 Then let my wife grind vnto an-
other, and let others bow downe vpon
her.

11 For this is an heinous crime, yea,
it is an iniquitie to bee punished by the
Iudges.

12 For it is a fire that consumeth to de-
struction, and would roote out all mine
encrease.

13 If I did despise the cause of my
man-seruant, or of my mayd-seruant,
when they contended with me :

14 What then shall I do, when God
riseth vp : and when hee visiteth, what
shall I answer him :

15 Did not hee that made mee in the
wombe, make him : and || did not one fa-
shion vs in the wombe :

|| Or, did hee
not fashion
vs in one
wombe :

16 If I haue withheld the poore
from their desire, or haue caused the eyes
of the widow to faile :

17 Or haue eaten my morsell my
selfe alone, and the fatherlesse hath not
eaten thereof :

18 (For from my youth hee was
brought vp with me as with a father,
and I haue guided || her from my mo-
thers wombe.)

|| That is,
the widow.

19 If I haue seene any perish for
want of cloathing, or any poore with-
out couering :

20 If his loynes haue not blessed
me, and if hee were not warmed with
the fleece of my sheepe :

21 If I haue lift vp my hand against
the fatherlesse, when I saw my helpe
in the gate :

22 Then let mine arme fall from my
shoulder-blade, and mine arme be bro-
ken from the || bone.

|| Or, the
chanell
bone.

23 For destruction from God was a
terroure to mee : and by reason of his
highnesse, I could not endure.

24 If I haue made golde my hope,
or haue said to the fine gold, Thou art my
confidence :

25 If I reioyced because my wealth
was great, and because mine hand had
† gotten much :

† Heb. found
much.

26 If I beheld † the Sunne when
it shined, or the Moone walking † in
brightnesse :

† Heb. the
light.

† Heb. bright-
nesse.

27 And my heart hath bene secretly
enticed, or † my mouth hath kissed my
hand :

† Heb. my
hand hath
kissed my
mouth.

28 This also were an iniquitie to be
punished by the Iudge : For I should
haue denied the God that is aboue.

29 If

29 If I reioyced at the destruction of him that hated me, or lift vp my selfe when euill found him :

30 (Neither haue I suffered † my mouth to sinne by wishing a curse to his soule.)

31 If the men of my tabernacle said not, Oh that we had of his flesh! Wee cannot be satisfied.

32 The stranger did not lodge in the street: but I opened my doores || to the traualer.

33 If I couered my transgressions, || as Adam: by hiding mine iniquitie in my bolome:

34 Did I feare a great multitude, or did the contempt of families terrifie me: that I kept silence, and went not out of the doore:

35 O that one would heare me! || beholde, my desire is, that the Almighty would answere me, and that mine aduersary had written a booke.

36 Surely I would take it vpon my shoulder, and bind it as a crowne to me.

37 I would declare vnto him the number of my steps, as a prince would I goe neere vnto him.

38 If my land cry against me, or that the furrowes likewise thereof † complaine:

39 If I haue † eaten the fruits thereof without money, or haue † caused the owners thereof to loose their life:

40 Let thistles grow in stead of wheat, and || cockle in stead of barley. The words of Iob are ended.

CHAP. XXXII.

1 Elihu is angry with Iob and his three friends.

6 Because wisdom cometh not from age, he excuseth the boldnesse of his youth. 11 He reproveth them for not satisfying of Iob. 16 His zeale to speake.

So these three men ceased † to answere Iob, because he was righteous in his owne eyes.

2 Then was kindled the wrath of Elihu, the sonne of Barachel the Buzite, of the kinred of Ram: against Iob was his wrath kindled, because he iustificied † himselfe rather then God.

3 Also against his three friends was his wrath kindled: because they had found no answere, and yet had condemned Iob.

4 Now Elihu had † waited till Iob

had spoken: because they were † elder then he.

5 When Elihu saw that there was no answere in the mouth of these three men, then his wrath was kindled.

6 And Elihu the sonne of Barachel the Buzite answered and sayd: I am † yong, and yee are very old, wherefore I was afraid, and † durst not shew you mine opinion.

7 I said, Dayes should speake, and multitude of yeeres should teach wisdom.

8 * But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giueth them vnderstanding.

9 Great men are not alwayes wise: neither doe the aged vnderstand iudgement.

10 Therefore I sayd, hearken to me: I also will shew mine opinion.

11 Behold, I waited for your words: I gaue eare to your † reasons, whilest you searched out † what to say.

12 Hea, I attended vnto you: and beholde, there was none of you that conuincd Iob, or that answered his words:

13 Lest ye should say, we haue found out wisdom: God thrusteth him down, not man.

14 Now he hath not || directed his words against me: neither will I answere him with your speeches.

15 They were amased, they answered no more, † they left off speaking.

16 When I had waited, (for they spake not, but stood still and answered no more.)

17 I sayd, I will answere also my part, I also will shew mine opinion.

18 For I am full of † matter, the † spirit within me constraineth me.

19 Behold, my belly is as wine, which † hath no vent, it is ready to burst like new bottles.

20 I will speake, † that I may be refreshed: I will open my lippes, and answere.

21 Let me not, I pray you, accept any mans person: neither let me giue flattering titles vnto man.

22 For I know not to giue flattering titles: in so doing my maker would soone take me away.

CHAP. XXXIII.

1 Elihu offereth himselfe in stead of God, with sinceritie and meekenesse to reason with Iob.

† Heb. elder for dayes.

† Heb. few of dayes. † Heb. I feared.

* Iob. 38. 36. prou. 2. 6. eccl. 2. 26. dan. 1. 17. & 2. 21.

† Heb. vnderstandings † Heb. words

|| Or, ordered his words.

† Heb. they removed speeches from themselves.

† Heb. words † Heb. the spirit of my belly. † Heb. is not opened.

† Heb. that I may breath.

8 He excuseth God from giuing man an account of his wayes, by his greatnesse. 14 God calleth man to repentance by visions, 19 by afflictions, 23 and by his ministry. 31 Hee inciteth Iob to attention.

Wherefore, Iob, I pray thee, heare my speeches, and hearken to all my wordes.

2 Behold, now I haue opened my mouth, my tongue hath spoken † in my mouth.

3 My wordes shall be of the vprightnesse of my heart: and my lippes shall vtter knowledge clearely.

4 The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath giuen me life.

5 If thou canst, answer me, set thy wordes in order before me, stand vp.

6 * Behold, I am † according to thy will in Gods stead: I also am † formed out of the clay.

7 Behold, my terrour shall not make thee afraid, neither shall my hand be heauie vpon thee.

8 Surely thou hast spoken † in mine hearing, and I haue heard the voice of thy wordes, saying,

9 I am cleane without transgression, I am innocent; neither is there iniquitie in me.

10 Behold, hee findeth occasions against mee, hee counteth mee for his enemye.

11 He putteth my feete in the stockes, he marketh all my pathes.

12 Behold, in this thou art not iust: I will answer thee, That God is greater then man.

13 Why dost thou strue against him: for † he giueth not account of any of his matters.

14 For God speaketh once, yea twice, yet man perceiueth it not.

15 In a dreame, in a vision of the night, when deepe sleepe falleth vpon men, in slumbrings vpon the bed:

16 Then hee † openeth the eares of men, and sealeth their instruction,

17 That hee may withdraw man from his † purpose, and hide pride from man.

18 Hee keepeth backe his soule from the pit, and his life † from perishing by the sword.

19 Hee is chastened also with paine vpon his bed, and the multitude of his bones with strong paine.

20 * So that his life abhorreth bread, and his soule † daintie meate.

21 His flesh is consumed away that it cannot be seene; and his bones that were not seene, sticke out.

22 His soule draweth neere vnto the graue, and his life to the destroyers.

23 If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter, one among a thousand, to shew vnto man his vprightnesse:

24 Then hee is gracious vnto him, and sayth, Deliuere him from going downe to the pit; I haue found † a ransom.

25 His flesh shall be fresher † then a childes: he shall returne to the dayes of his youth.

26 He shall pray vnto God, and hee will be fauourable vnto him, and hee shall see his face with ioy: for hee will render vnto man his righteousnesse.

27 † He looketh vpon men, and if any say, I haue sinned, and peruerted that which was right, and it profited mee not:

28 † Hee will deliuere his soule from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light.

29 Loe, all these things worketh God † oftentimes with man,

30 To bring backe his soule from the pit, to be enlightened with the light of the liuing.

31 Marke well, O Iob, hearken vnto me, hold thy peace, and I wil speake.

32 If thou hast any thing to say, answer me: speake, for I desire to iustifie thee.

33 If not, hearken vnto me: holde thy peace, and I shall teach thee wisdom.

CHAP. XXXIII.

† Elihu accuseth Iob for charging God with iniustice. 10 God omnipotent cannot be vniust. 31 Man must humble himselfe vnto God. 34 Elihu reprooueth Iob.

Furthermore Elihu answered, and said,

2 Heare my wordes, O yee wise men, and giue eare vnto me, ye that haue knowledge.

3 * For the eare trieth wordes, as the † mouth tasteth meate.

4 Let vs chuse to vs iudgement: let vs know among our selues what is good.

† Heb. in my palate.

* Cha. 9. 35. and 23. 20. † Heb. according to thy mouth.

† Heb. cut out of the clay.

† Heb. in mine eares.

† Heb. hee answereth not.

† Heb. hee reuealeth, or vncouereth.

† Heb. worke.

† Heb. from passing by the sword.

* Psal. 107. 17. † Heb. meate of desire.

† Or, an atonement.

† Hebraicall childhood.

† Or, he shall looke vpon men, and say, I haue sinned, &c.

† Or, hee hath deliuered my soule &c. and my life.

† Heb. twice and thrice.

* Chap. 11. 11. † Heb. pe late.

5 For Job hath said, I am righteous: and God hath taken away my iudgement.

6 Should I lye against my right: my wound is incurable without transgression.

7 What man is like Job, who drinketh by scorning like water:

8 Which goeth in company with the workers of iniquitie, and walketh with wicked men.

9 For hee hath said, It profiteth a man nothing, that he should delight himselfe with God.

10 Therefore hearken vnto me, ye men of vnderstanding: * farre bee it from God, that he should doe wickednes, and from the Almighty, that hee should commit iniquitie.

11 * For the worke of a man shall he render vnto him, and cause euery man to finde according to his wayes.

12 Beasurely God will not doe wickedly, neither will the Almighty peruert iudgement.

13 Who hath giuen him a charge ouer the earth: or who hath disposed the whole world:

14 * If he set his heart vpon man, if he gather vnto himselfe his spirit and his breath;

15 * All flesh shall perish together, and man shall turne againe vnto dust.

16 If now thou hast vnderstanding, heare this: hearken to the voyce of my words.

17 Shall euen he that hateth right, gouerne: and wilt thou condemne him that is most iust:

18 Is it fit to say to a King, Thou art wicked: and to Princes, Ye are vngodly:

19 * How much lesse to him that accepteth not the persons of Princes, nor regardeth the rich more then the poore: for they all are the worke of his hands.

20 In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be troubled at midnight, and passe away: and the mighty shall be taken away without hand.

21 * For his eyes are vpon the wayes of man, and he seeth all his goings.

22 There is no darkenes, nor shadow of death, where the workers of iniquitie may hide themselves.

23 For hee will not lay vpon man more then right; that he should enter into iudgement with God.

24 He shall breake in pieces mighty

men without number, and set others in their stead.

25 Therefore hee knoweth their workes, and he ouerturneth them in the night, so that they are destroyed.

26 He striketh them as wicked men, in the open sight of others:

27 Because they turned backe from him, and would not consider any of his wayes.

28 So that they cause the cry of the poore to come vnto him, and he heareth the cry of the afflicted.

29 When he giueth quietnesse, who then can make trouble: and when hee hideth his face, who then can beholde him: whether it be done against a nation, or against a man onely:

30 That the hypocrite raigne not, lest the people be ensnared.

31 Surely it is meete to be said vnto God, I haue borne chastisement, I will not offend any more.

32 That which I see not, teach thou me; If I haue done iniquitie, I will doe no more.

33 Should it bee according to thy minde: he will recompense it, whether thou refuse, or whether thou chuse, and not I: therefore speake what thou knowest.

34 Let men of vnderstanding tell mee, and let a wise man hearken vnto mee.

35 Job hath spoken without knowledge, and his words were without wisdom.

36 || My desire is that Job may be tried vnto the ende, because of his answers for wicked men.

37 For he addeth rebellion vnto his sinne, hee clappeth his handes amongst vs, and multiplieth his words against God.

CHAP. XXXV.

1 Comparison is not to be made with God, because our good or euill cannot extend vnto him. 9 Many cry in their afflictions, but are not heard for want of faith.

Eliphaz spake moreouer, and said,

2 Thinkest thou this to bee right, that thou saydest, My righteousnesse is more then Gods:

3 For thou saydst, what aduantage will it bee vnto thee, and, what profite shall

† Heb. without searching out.

† Hebr. crushed.

† Hebr. in the place of beholders.

† Hebr. from after him.

† Hebr. Should it be from with thee?

† Hebr. of heart.

|| Or, My father, let Job be tried.

Hebr. mine

Hebr. men of heart.

Exod. 32. 4. iob 8. 3. and 36. 23. psal. 92. 15. rom. 9. 14. psal. 62. 12. pro. 24. 1. iere. 2. 3. 19. eze. 3. 20. mat. 27. rom. 8. cor. 10. 1. pet. 1. 17. apoc. 1. 12.

Hebr. all of

psal. 104. 19.

Hebr. upon him.

Eccel. 12. 6. gene. 3. 19.

Hebr. kinde.

Deut. 10. 17. 2. chro. 9. 7. ad. 10. 24. rom. 2. 11. gal. 2. 6. eph. 6. 9. colol. 3. 25. 1. pet. 1. 17.

Hebr. they shall take away the mighty.

Pro. 5. 21. and 15. 3.

iob 31. 4. chro. 16. 12. eze. 16. 17.

Hebr. goe.

|| Or, by it more then by my sinne. † Heb. I wil returne to thee words.

shall I haue, || if I bee cleansed from my sinne?

4 † I will answere thee, and thy companions with thee.

5 Looke vnto the heauens and see, and behold the clouds which are higher then thou.

6 If thou sinnest, what doest thou against him: or if thy transgressions be multiplied, what doest thou vnto him:

7 * If thou be righteous, what giuest thou him: or what receiveth hee of thine hand:

8 Thy wickednesse may hurt a man as thou art, and thy righteousnesse may profit the sonne of man.

9 By reason of the multitude of oppressions they make the oppressed to crie: they crie out by reason of the arme of the mightie.

10 But none saith, where is God my maker, who giueth songs in the night:

11 who teacheth vs more then the beasts of the earth, and maketh vs wiser then the foules of heauen.

12 There they crie, (but none giueth answer) because of the pride of euill men.

13 * Surely God wil not heare vanitie, neither wil the Almighty regard it.

14 Although thou sayest thou shalt not see him, yet iudgement is before him, therefore trust thou in him.

15 But now because it is not so, || hee hath visited in his anger, yet || he knoweth it not in great extremitie:

16 Therefore doeth Job open his mouth in vaine: he multiplieth words without knowledge.

C H A P. XXXVI.

1 Elihu sheweth how God is iust in his wayes.

16 How Iobs sinnes hinder Gods blessings.

24 Gods works are to be magnified.

Elihu also proceeded, and said,

2 Suffer mee a little, and I will shewe thee,

† that I haue yet to speake on Gods behalfe.

3 I will fetch my knowledge from afarre, and will ascribe righteousnesse to my Maker.

4 For truely my words shall not be false: he that is perfect in knowledge, is with thee.

5 Behold, God is mightie, and despiseth not any: he is mightie in strength and † wisdome.

6 Hee preserveth not the life of the wicked: but giueth right to the || poore.

7 * Hee withdraweth not his eyes from the righteous: but with kings are they on the throne, yea he doth establish them for euer, and they are exalted.

8 And if they be bound in fetters, and be holden in cords of affliction:

9 Then hee sheweth them their worke, and their transgressions, that they haue exceeded.

10 He openeth also their eare to discipline, and commandeth that they returne from iniquitie.

11 If they obey and serue him, * they shall spend their dayes in prosperitie, and their yeeres in pleasures.

12 But if they obey not, † they shall perish by the sword, and they shall die without knowledge.

13 But the hypocrites in heart heape by wrath: they crie not when he visiteth them.

14 † They die in youth, and their life is among the || vncleane.

15 He deliuereth the || poore in his affliction, and openeth their eares in oppression.

16 Euen so would he haue remooued thee out of the strait into a broad place, where there is no straitnesse, and † that which should be set on thy table, should be full of fatnesse.

17 But thou hast fulfilled the iudgement of the wicked: || iudgement and iustice take hold on thee.

18 Because there is wrath, beware lest he take thee away with his stroke: then a great ransom cannot † deliuer thee.

19 Will he esteeme thy riches: no not gold, nor all the forces of strength.

20 Desire not the night, when people are cut off in their place.

21 Take heed, regard not iniquitie: for this hast thou chosen rather then affliction.

22 Beholde, God exalteth by his power: who teacheth like him:

23 who hath inioyned him his way: or who can say, Thou hast brought iniquitie:

24 Remember that thou magnific his worke, which men behold.

25 Every man may see it, man may behold it afarre off.

26 Behold, God is great, and we know him not, neither can the number of his yeeres be searched out.

27 For hee maketh small the drops of

* Psa. 16. 2. Rom. 11. 35 iob. 22. 3.

* Iob. 27. 9 prou. 1. 28. isa. 1. 15. ier. 11. 11.

|| That is God. || That is, Iob.

† Heb. that there are yet words for God.

† Heb. heart

|| Or, afflic. Eted. * Psa. 34. 14.

* Iob 21. 11

† Heb. they shall passe away by the sword.

† Heb. their soule dieth. || Or, Submit. || Or, afflic. Eted.

† Heb. the rest of thy table.

|| Or, iudgement and iustice should uphold thee.

† Heb. turne thee aside.

Psa. 14. 16. 17. † Heb. and in the storm of rain, and in the howling of the wind.

† Heb. and in the chamber.

† Heb. the sound of his voice.

of water: they powre downe raine according to the vapour thereof:

28 Which the clouds doe drop, and distill vpon man abundantly.

29 Also can any vnderstand the spreadings of the clouds, or the noise of his tabernacle:

30 Behold, he spreadeth his light vpon it, and couereth † the bottome of the sea.

31 For by them iudgeth he the people, he giueth meate in abundance.

32 With clouds he couereth the light, and commaundeth it not to shine, by the cloud that commeth betwixt.

33 The noise thereof sheweth concerning it, the cattel also concerning the vapour.

CHAP. XXXVII.

1 God is to be feared because of his great works.

15 His wisdom is vnsearchable in them.

Also my heart trembleth, and is moued out of his place.

2 † Heare attentiuely the noise of his voice, and the sound that goeth out of his mouth.

3 Hee directeth it vnder the whole heauen, and his † lightning vnto the † ends of the earth.

4 After it a voyce roareth: he thundereth with the voice of his excellencie, and hee will not stay them when his voice is heard.

5 God thundereth maruellously with his voice: great things doth hee, which we cannot comprehend.

6 For* he saith to the snow, Be thou on the earth: † likewise to the small raine, and to the great raine of his strength.

7 He sealeth by the hand of euery man; that all men may knowe his worke.

8 Then the beastes goe into denues: and remaine in their places.

9 † Out of the South commeth the Whirlewinde: and cold out of the † North.

10 By the breath of God, frost is giuen: and the breadth of the waters is straitned.

11 Also by watring he wearieth the thicke cloud: hee scattereth † his bright cloud.

12 And it is turned round about by his counsels: that they may doe what

soeuer hee commaundeth them vpon the face of the world in the earth.

13 He causeth it to come, whether for † correction, or for his land, or for mercy.

14 Hearken vnto this, O Job: stand still, and consider the wondrous workes of God.

15 Doest thou knowe when God disposed them, and caused the light of his cloud to shine?

16 Doest thou knowe the ballancings of the clouds, the wondrous workes of him which is perfect in knowledge?

17 How thy garments are warme, when hee quieteth the earth by the South wind?

18 Hast thou with him spread out the skie, which is strong, and as a molten looking glasse?

19 Teach vs what we shall say vnto him; for we cannot order our speach by reason of darknes.

20 Shall it bee told him that I speake: if a man speake, surely hee shall be swallowed vp.

21 And nowe men see not the bright light which is in the clouds: but the wind passeth and cleanseth them.

22 † Faire weather commeth out of the North: with God is terrible maiestie.

23 Touching the Almighty, we cannot find him out: he is excellent in power, and in iudgement, and in plenty of iustice: he will not afflict.

24 Men doe therefore feare him: he respecteth not any that are wise of heart.

CHAP. XXXVIII.

1 God chalengeth Iob to answer. 4 God by his mighty workes, conuinceth Iob of Ignorance, 31 and of imbecillity.

When the LORD answered Iob out of the Whirlewind, and sayd,

2 Who is this that darkneth counsell by words without knowledge?

3 Gird vp nowe thy loines like a man; for I will demaund of thee, and † answer thee me.

4 * Where wast thou when I layd the foundations of the earth: declare, † if thou hast vnderstanding.

5 Who hath layd the measures thereof, if thou knowest: or who hath stretched the line vpon it?

6 Whereupon are the † foundations

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† Heb. arod.

† Heb. gold

† Heb. make me know.

* Psa. 104. 5. prou. 30. 4.

† Heb. if thou knowest vnderstanding.

† Heb. sockets.

† Heb. made to sinke.

ons thereof † fastened : or who layd the corner stone thereof :

7 When the morning starres sang together , and all the sonnes of God shouted for ioy.

* Pſal. 104. 9

8 * Or who shut vp the sea with doores, when it brake forth as if it had issued out of the wombe :

9 When I made the cloud the garment thereof , and thicke darknesse a swadling band for it,

|| Or, established my decree upon it.

10 And || brake vp for it my decreed place, and set barres and doores,

11 And said , Hitherto shalt thou come , but no further : and heere shall † thy proud waues be stayed.

† Heb. the pride of thy waues.

12 Hast thou commaunded the morning since thy daies : and caused the day-spring to know his place,

13 That it might take hold of the † endes of the earth , that the wicked might be shaken out of it :

† Heb. wings.

14 It is turned as clay to the seale, and they stand as a garment.

15 And from the wicked their light is withholden, and the high arme shall be broken.

16 Hast thou entred into the springs of the sea : or hast thou walked in the search of the depth :

17 Haue the gates of death bene opened vnto thee : or hast thou seene the doores of the shadow of death :

18 Hast thou perceiued the breadth of the earth : Declare if thou knowest it all.

19 Where is the way where light dwelleth : and as for darknesse, where is the place thereof :

|| Or, at.

20 That thou shouldest take it || to the bound thereof, and that thou shouldest know the pathes to the house thereof.

21 Knowest thou it , because thou wast then borne : or because the number of thy daies is great :

22 Hast thou entred into the treasures of the snowe : or hast thou seene the treasures of the haile,

23 Which I haue reserued against the time of trouble , against the day of battaile and warre :

24 By what way is the light parted : which scattereth the East wind vpon the earth.

25 Who hath diuided a water-course for the ouerflowing of waters : or a way for the lightning of thunder,

26 To cause it to raine on the earth, where no man is : on the wilderness wherein there is no man :

27 To satisfie the desolate and waste ground, and to cause the bud of the tender herbe to spring forth.

28 Hath the raine a father : or who hath begotten the drops of dew :

29 Out of whose wombe came the yce : and the hoary frost of heauen, who hath gendred it :

30 The waters are hid as with a stone, and the face of the deepe † is frozen.

† Heb. is taken.

31 Canst thou bind the sweete influences of || Pleiades : or loose the bands of † Orion :

|| Or, the seven starres. Heb. Cinosura.

32 Canst thou bring forth || Mazzaroth in his season, or canst thou † guide Arcturus with his sonnes :

† Heb. Caphor.

|| Or, the twelve signes.

† Heb. guide them.

33 Knowest thou the ordinances of heauen : canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth :

34 Canst thou lift vp thy voice to the cloudes, that abundance of waters may couer thee :

35 Canst thou send lightnings, that they may goe, and say vnto thee, † Here we are :

† Heb. behold us.

36 * Who hath put wisdom in the inward parts : or who hath giuen vnderstanding to the heart :

* Chap. 32. 8. Eccle. 2. 26.

37 Who can number the cloudes in wisdom : or † who can stay the bottles of heauen,

† Heb. who can cause to lie downe.

38 || When the dust † groweth into hardnesse, and the clods cleaue fast together :

|| Or, when the dust is turned into myre.

39 * Wilt thou hunt the pray for the lyon : or fill the † appetite of the young lyons,

† Heb. is purred.

* Pſal. 104. 21. † Heb. the life.

40 When they couch in their dennes, and abide in the couert to lie in waite :

* Pſal. 147. 9. Math. 6. 26.

41 * Who prouideth for the rauen his foode : when his young ones cry vnto God, they wander for lacke of meate.

CHAP. XXXIX.

1 Of the wild goates and hinds. 5 Of the wild Ass. 9 The Vnicorne. 13 The Peacock, Storke and Ostrich. 19 The horse. 26 The hauke. 27 The Eagle.

Knowest * thou the time when the wild goates of the rocke bring forth : or canst thou marke when the hinds doe calue :

* Pſal. 29. 8

2 Canst thou number the moneths that they fulfill : or knowest thou the time when they bring forth :

3 They bowe themselves, they bring forth their young ones , they cast out their sorowes.

4 Their

4 Their yong ones are in good liking, they grow vp with corne: they go forth, and returne not vnto them.

5 Who hath sent out the wild asse free: or who hath loosed the bands of the wild asse:

6 Whose house I haue made the wilderness, and the barren lande his dwellings.

7 He scorneth the multitude of the citie, neither regardeth he the crying of the driuer.

8 The range of the mountaines is his pasture, and hee searcheth after euery greene thing.

9 Will the Unicorne be willing to serue thee: or abide by thy cribbe:

10 Canst thou binde the Unicorne with his band in the furrow: or will he harrow the valleyes after thee:

11 Wilt thou trust him because his strength is great: or wilt thou leaue thy labour to him:

12 Wilt thou beleue him that hee will bring home thy seed: and gather it into thy barne:

13 Gauest thou the goodly wings vnto the peacocks, or wings and feathers vnto the Ostrich:

14 Which leaueth her egges in the earth, and warmeth them in dust,

15 And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, or that the wilde beast may breake them.

16 She is hardened against her yong ones, as though they were not hers: her labour is in vaine without feare.

17 Because God hath depriued her of wisdom, neither hath he imparted to her vnderstanding.

18 What time she lifteth vp her selfe on high, she scorneth the horse and his rider.

19 Hast thou giuen the horse strength: hast thou clothed his necke with thunder:

20 Canst thou make him afraid as a grasshopper: the glory of his nostrils is terrible.

21 He paweth in the valley, and reioycesth in his strength: hee goeth on to meet the armed men.

22 He mocketh at feare, and is not affrighted: neither turneth he backe from the sword.

23 The quiver rattleth against him, the glittering speare and the shield.

24 He swalloweth the ground with fiercenesse and rage: neither beleueth

he that it is the sound of the trumpet.

25 Hee saith among the trumpets, Ha, ha: and he smelleth the battaile a farre off, the thunder of the captaines, and the shouting.

26 Doeth the hawke flie by thy wisdom, and stretch her wings toward the South:

27 Doeth the Eagle mount vp at thy commaund: and make her nest on high:

28 She dwelleth and abideth on the rocke, vpon the cragge of the rocke, and the strong place.

29 From thence she seeketh the pray, and her eyes behold a farre off.

30 Her yong ones also suck vp blood: and where the slaine are, there is he.

C H A P. X L.

1 Iob humbleth himselfe to God. 6 God stirreth him vp to shew his righteousness, power, and wisdom. 15 Of the Behemoth.

Moreouer the LORD answered Iob, and said,

2 Shall hee that contendeth with the Almighty, instruct him: he that reprooueth God, let him answer it.

3 Then Iob answered the LORD, and said,

4 Behold, I am vile, what shall I answer thee: I wil lay my hand vpon my mouth.

5 Once haue I spoken, but I will not answer: yea twice, but I will proceed no further.

6 Then answered the LORD vnto Iob out of the whirlewinde, and said:

7 *Gird vp thy loynes now like a man: I will deniaund of thee, and declare thou vnto me.

8 *Wilt thou also disanul my iudgement: wilt thou condemne mee, that thou mayest be righteous:

9 Hast thou an arme like God: or canst thou thunder with a voyce like him:

10 *Decke thy selfe now with Majesty, and excellencie, and aray thy selfe with glory, and beautie.

11 Cast abroad the rage of thy wrath: and behold euery one that is proud, and abase him.

12 Looke on euery one that is proud, and bring him low: and tread downe the wicked in their place.

Hebr. salt places.

Hebr. of the exaltor.

Or, the feathers of the Starke and Ostrich.

Hebr. terror.

Or, his feet digge.

Hebr. the armour.

† Hebr. by thy mouth.

* Matt. 24. 28. luke 17. 37.

* Chap. 38. 3.

* Psal. 50. 21. rom. 3. 4.

* Psal. 104. 1.

13 Hide them in the dust together, and binde their faces in secret.

14 Then will I also confesse vnto thee, that thine owne right hand can saue thee.

¶ Or, the E. lephant, as some thinke.

15 Beholde now || Behemoth which I made with thee, hee eateth grasse as an ore.

16 Loe now, his strength is in his loynes, and his force is in the nauell of his belly.

¶ Or, he setteth up.

17 Hee moueth his taile like a Cedar: the sinewes of his stoness are wrapt together.

18 His bones are as strong pieces of brasse: his bones are like barres of iron.

19 Hee is the chiefe of the wayes of God: he that made him, can make his sword to approach vnto him.

20 Surely the mountaines bring him forth foode: where all the beasts of the field play.

21 He lieth vnder the shady trees, in the couert of the reede, and fennes.

22 The shady trees couer him with their shaddow: the willowes of the brooke compasse him about.

† Heb. he oppresseth.

23 Behold, † he drinketh by a river, and hasteth not: he trusteth that he can draw by Jordan into his mouth.

¶ Or, will any take him in his sight? or bore his nose with a gimme?

24 He taketh it with his eyes: his nose pearceth through snares.

CHAP. XLI.

Of Gods great power in the Leuiathan.

¶ That is, a whale or a whirlpoole.

¶ Anst thou draw out || Leuiathan with an hooke: or his tongue with a corde

† Heb. which thou drawnest.

† which thou lettest downe: 2 Canst thou put an hooke into his nose: or bore his iawe through with a thorne:

3 Will he make many supplications vnto thee: will he speake soft words vnto thee:

4 Will he make a couenant with thee: wilt thou take him for a seruant for ever:

5 Wilt thou play with him as with a birde: wilt thou binde him for thy maydens:

6 Shall the companions make a banquet of him: shall they part him among the merchants:

7 Canst thou fill his skinne with barbed irons: or his head with fish-speares:

8 Lay thine hand vpon him, re-

member the battell: doe no more.

9 Behold, the hope of him is in vaine: shall not one be cast downe euen at the sight of him:

10 None is so fierce that dare stirre him by: who then is able to stand before me:

11 * who hath prevented me that I should repay him: what soeuer is vnder the whole heauen, is mine.

* Psa. 24. 1. & 50. 12. 1. cor. 10. 26

12 I will not conceale his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion.

13 Who can discover the face of his garment: or who can come to him, || With his double bridle:

¶ Or, within.

14 Who can open the doores of his face: his teeth are terrible round about.

15 His † scales are his pride, shut by together as with a close seale.

† Heb. strong pieces of shields.

16 One is so neere to another, that no ayre can come betweene them.

17 They are ioyned one to another, they sticke together, that they cannot be sundred.

18 By his neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes are like the eye-liddes of the morning.

19 Out of his mouth goe burning lampes, and sparkes of fire leape out.

20 Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as out of a seething pot or caldron.

21 His breath kindleth coales, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.

22 In his necke remaineth strength, and † sorowe is turned into ioy before him.

† Heb. sorrow reioyeth.

23 † The flakes of his flesh are ioyned together: they are firme in themselves, they cannot be moued.

† Heb. she fallings.

24 His heart is as firme as a stone, yea as hard as a peece of the nether mil-stone.

25 When he rayleth by himselfe, the mightie are afraid: by reason of breakings they purifie themselves.

26 The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the speare, the dart, nor the || habergeon.

¶ Or, breast plate.

27 He esteemeth iron as straw, and brasse as rotten wood.

28 The arrow cannot make him flee: sling stones are turned with him into stubble.

29 Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a speare.

30 † Sharpe stones are vnder him: he spreadeth sharpe pointed things by on the nire.

† Heb. sharpe pieces, of the postern.

31 He maketh the deepe to boyle like a pot:

a pot: hee maketh the sea like a pot of oyntment.

32 Hee maketh a path to shine after him; one would thinke the deepe to bee hoarie.

33 Upon earth there is not his like: || Who is made without feare.

34 He beholdeth all high things: he is a king ouer all the children of pride.

CHAP. XLII.

1 Job submitteth himselfe vnto God. 7 God preferring Iobs cause, maketh his friends submit themselues, & accepteth him. 10 He magnifieth & bleffeth Job. 16 Iobs age & death.

When Job answered the LORD, and said,

2 I know that thou canst doe every thing, and that || no thought can bee withholden from thee.

3 * Who is he that hideth counsel without knowledge: therefore haue I vttered that I vnderstood not, things too wonderfull for me, which I knew not.

4 Heare, I beseech thee, and I will speake: I will demand of thee, and declare thou vnto me.

5 I haue heard of thee by the hearing of the eare: but now mine eye seeth thee.

6 Wherefore I abhorre my selfe, and repent in dust and ashes.

7 **C**And it was so, that after the LORD had spoken these words vnto Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, & against thy two friends: for ye haue not spoken of mee the thing that is right, as my seruant Job hath.

8 Therefore take vnto you now seuen bullocks, and seuen rammes, and goe to my seruant Job, and offer by for your selues a burnt offering, and my ser-

uant Job shall pray for you, for I thinke I will accept: lest I deale with you after your folly, in that ye haue not spoken of mee the thing which is right, like my seruant Job.

9 So Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the LORD commanded them: the LORD also accepted Job.

10 And the LORD turned the captiuitie of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gaue Job twice as much as he had before.

11 Then came there vnto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had bin of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoned him, and comforted him ouer all the euill that the LORD had brought vpon him: euery man also gaue him a piece of money, and euery one an eare-ring of gold.

12 So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job, more then his beginning: for he had fourteene thousand sheepe, and sixe thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oren, and a thousand shee asses.

13 He had also seuen sonnes, and three daughters.

14 And he called the name of the first, Jemima, and the name of the second, Kezia, and the name of the third, Kezen-happuch.

15 And in all the land were no women found so faire as the daughters of Job: and their father gaue them inheritance among their brethren.

16 After this liued Job an hundred and fourtie yeeres, and saw his sonnes, and his sonnes sonnes, euen foure generations.

17 So Job died being old, and full of dayes.

† Heb. his face or person.

† Heb. the face of Job.

† Heb. added to Job vnto the double.

Or, who be- cause them- selues with- out feare.

Or, no thought of these can be hindered. Chap. 38.



THE BOOKE OF Psalmes.

PSALME I.

1 The happinesse of the godly. 4 The unhappinesse of the vngodly.



Blessed* is the man that walketh not in the counsell of the vngodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornfull.

2 But his delight is in the Law of the LORD,* and in his Law doeth he meditate day and night.

3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the riuers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season, his lease also shall not wither, and whatsoever he doeth, shall prosper.

4 The vngodly are not so: but are like the chaffe, which the winde drieth away.

5 Therefore the vngodly shall not stand in the iudgement, nor sinners in the Congregation of the righteous.

6 For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the vngodly shall perish.

PSAL. II.

1 The kingdome of Christ. 10 Kings are exhorted to accept it.

Why* do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vaine thing:

2 The Kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsell together, against the LORD, and against his Anoynted, saying,

3 Let vs breake their bandes asunder, and cast away their cords from vs.

4 *Hee that sitteth in the heauens shall laugh: the LORD shall haue them in derision.

5 Then shall hee speake vnto them in his wrath, and || bere them in his sore displeasure.

6 Yet haue I set † my King † vpon my holy hill of Sion.

7 *I will declare || the decree: the LORD hath said vnto mee, Thou art my sonne, this day haue I begotten thee.

8 *Aske of me, and I shall giue thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

9 *Thou shalt breake them with a rod of iron, thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potters vessell.

10 Bee wise now therefore, O yee Kings: be instructed ye Iudges of the earth.

11 Serue the LORD with feare, and reioyce with trembling.

12 Kisse the Sonne lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little: * Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

PSAL. III.

The securitie of Gods protection.

C* A psalme of David when he fled from Absalom his sonne.

LORD, how are they increased that trouble mee: many are they that rise vp against me.

2 Many there bee which say of my soule, There is no helpe for him in God. Selah.

3 But

* Prou. 1. 26.

|| Or, trouble.

† Hebr. anointed.

|| Hebr. vpon Sion, the hill of my Holinesse.

* Acts. 13. 33. heb. 1. 5.

|| Or, for a decree.

* Psal. 72. 8.

* Apoc. 2. 27. and 19. 15.

* Prou. 16. 20. isa. 30. 18. iete. 17. 7. rom. 9. 33 and 10. 11. 1. pet. 2. 6.

* 2. Sam. 15. 15.

* Prou. 4. 14.

Or, wicker.

* Ioh. 1. 8. psal. 119. 1. ier. 17. 8.

† Hebr. fade.

* Psal. 34. 5. isa. 17. 13.

* Acts. 4. 25. Or, sumul- tually as- semble? Hebr. me- lute.

3 But thou, O LORD, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head.

|| Or, about.

4 I cryed vnto the LORD with my voyce, and he heard me out of his holy hill. Selah.

* Psal. 4. 9.

5 * I layd me downe and slept; I awaked, for the LORD sustained me.

* Psal. 27. 3.

6 * I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that haue set themselves against me round about.

7 Arise, O LORD, saue mee, O my God; for thou hast smitten all mine enemies vpon the cheeke bone: thou hast broken the teeth of the vngodly.

* Isa. 43.

11.

Hof. 13. 4.

8 * Saluation belongeth vnto the LORD: thy blessing is vpon thy people. Selah.

PSAL. III.

1 Dauid prayeth for audience. 2 He reproveth and exhorteth his enemies. 6 Mans happinesse is in Gods fauour.

|| Or, ouer-seer.

To the chiefe Musician on Reginoth, A Psalme of Dauid.

Care me, when I call, O God of my righteousnesse: thou hast enlarged mee when I was in distresse, haue mercy vpon me, and heare my prayer.

|| Or, bee gracious vnto me.

2 O ye sonnes of men, how long will yee turne my glory into shame: how long will yee loue vanitie, and seeke after leasing: Selah.

3 But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is godly, for himselfe: the LORD will heare when I call vnto him.

4 Stand in awe, and sinne not: commune with your owne heart vpon your bed, and be still. Selah.

* Psal. 50.

14. & 51.

19.

5 Offer the sacrifices of righteousnesse, and put your trust in the LORD.

6 There be many that say, who will shew vs any good: LORD lift thou vp the light of thy countenance vpon vs.

7 Thou hast put gladnesse in my heart, more then in the time that their come and their wine increased.

* Psal. 3. 5.

8 * I will both lay mee downe in peace, and sleepe: for thou LORD only makest me dwell in safetie.

PSAL. V.

1 Dauid prayeth, and professeth his studie in prayer. 4 God faouerech not the wicked. 7 Dauid professing his faith, prayeth vnto God, to guide him, 10 To destroy his enemies, 11 and to preferue the godly.

To the chiefe musician vpon Nehiloth, A Psalme of Dauid.

Care to my words, O LORD, consider my meditation.

2 Hearken vnto the voice of my crie, my King, and my God: for vnto thee will I pray.

3 * My voyce shalt thou heare in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct my prayer vnto thee, and will looke vp.

* Psal. 130. 6.

4 For thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wickednesse: neither shall euill dwell with thee.

5 The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.

† Heb. before thine eyes.

6 Thou shalt destroy them that speake leasing: the LORD will abhorre the bloodie and deceitfull man.

7 But as for me, I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy mercy: and in thy feare will I worship toward thy holy temple.

† Heb. the mans blood and deceit.

8 Lead me O LORD, in thy righteousness, because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face.

† Heb. the temple of thy holinesse.

† Heb. hope which obserue me.

9 For there is no faithfulness in their mouth, their inward part is very wickednesse: their throat is an open sepulchre, they flatter with their tongue.

|| Or, steadfastnesse.

† Heb. in his mouth, in the mouth of any of them.

10 Destroy thou them, O God, let them fall by their owne counsels: cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions, for they haue rebelled against thee.

† Heb. wickednesse.

* Rom. 3. 13

|| Or, make them guilty.

|| Or, from their counsels.

11 But let all those that put their trust in thee, reioyce: let them euer shout for ioy; because thou defendest them: let them also that loue thy name, be ioyfull in thee.

† Heb. thou couerest ouer, or protectest them.

† Hebr. crowne him.

12 For thou, LORD, wilt blesse the righteous: with fauour wilt thou passe him as with a shield.

PSAL. VI.

1 Dauids complaint in his sicknesse. 8 By faith he triumpheth ouer his enemies.

To the chiefe musician on Reginoth vpon Sheminith, A Psalme of Dauid.

|| Or, vpon the eight.

LORD, rebuke me not in thine anger, neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.

* Psal. 26. 1.

2 Haue mercy vpon me, O LORD, for I am weake: O LORD heale mee, for my bones are vexed.

3 My soule is also sore vexed : but thou, O LORD, how long?

4 Returne, O LORD, deliuer my soule : oh saue mee, for thy mercies sake.

5 * For in death there is no remembrance of thee : in the graue who shall giue thee thanks?

6 I am weary with my groning, all the night make I my bed to swim : I water my couch with my teares.

7 Mine eie is consumed because of griefe ; it waxeth olde because of all mine enemies.

8 * Depart from me, all yee workers of iniquitie : for the LORD hath heard the voice of my weeping.

9 The LORD hath heard my supplication ; the LORD will receiue my prayer.

10 Let all mine enemies be ashamed and sore vexed : let them returne and be ashamed suddainly.

PSAL. VII.

1 Dauid prayeth against the malice of his enemies, professing his innocency. 10 By faith he seeth his defence and the destruction of his enemies.

Shiggaion of Dauid; which he sang vnto the LORD concerning the words of Cush the Beniamite.

O LORD, my God, in thee doe I put my trust : saue me from all them that persecute me, and deliuer me.

2 Least hee teare my soule like a lyon, renting it in pieces, while there is none to deliuer.

3 O LORD my God, if I haue done this ; if there be iniquitie in my hands :

4 If I haue rewarded euill vnto him that was at peace with me : (yea I haue deliuered him that without cause is mine enemy.)

5 Let the enemy persecute my soule, and take it, yea let him tread downe my life vpon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust. Selah.

6 Arise, O LORD, in thine anger, lift vp thy selfe, because of the rage of mine enemies : and awake for me to the iudgement that thou hast commanded.

7 So shall the congregation of the people compass thee about : for their sakes therefore returne thou on high.

8 The LORD shall iudge the people : iudge me, O LORD, * according

to my righteousnesse, and according to mine integritie that is in me.

9 Oh let the wickednes of the wicked come to an end, but establish the iust : * for the righteous God trieth the hearts and reines.

10 † My defence is of God, which saueueth the vpright in heart.

11 † God iudgeth the righteous, and God is angrie with the wicked euery-day.

12 If he turne not, he will whet his sword : he hath bent his bowe, and made it ready.

13 He hath also prepared for him the instruments of death ; he ordaineth his arrowes against the persecutors.

14 * Behold, he trauelleth with iniquitie, and hath conceived mischief, and brought forth falshood.

15 † He made a pit and digged it, * and is fallen into the ditch which he made.

16 His mischief shall returne vpon his owne head, and his violent dealing shall come downe vpon his owne pate.

17 I will praise the LORD according to his righteousnesse : and will sing praise to the name of the LORD most high.

PSAL. VIII.

Gods glory is magnified by his workes, and by his loue to man.

To the chiefe Musicion vpon Cithich, a Psalm of Dauid.

O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth ! Who hast set thy glory about the heauens.

2 * Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou † ordained strength, because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemy and the auenger.

3 When I consider thy heauens, the worke of thy fingers, the moone and the starres which thou hast ordained ;

4 * what is man, that thou art mindful of him : and the sonne of man, that thou visitest him ?

5 For thou hast made him a little lower then the Angels ; and hast crowned him with glory and honour.

6 Thou madest him to haue dominion ouer the workes of thy hands ; * thou hast put all things vnder his feete.

7 † All sheepe and oxen, yea and the beasts of the field.

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* 1. Sam. 16.
7. 1. Chr. 28.
9. psal. 139.
1 Ierem. 11
20. and 17.
10. and 20.
12.
† Heb. my buckler is vpon God.
‡ Or, God is a righteous Iudge.

* Iob. 15.
35. Eia. 59.
4 Iam. 1.
15.
† Heb. hee hath digged a pit.
* Psal. 9. 15.
and 10. 2.
prou. 5. 22.

* Mat. 21.
16.
† Heb. founded.

* Iob 7. 17.
psal. 144. 3.
Heb. 2. 6.

* 1. Cor. 15.
27.

† Heb. flocks and oxen, all of them.

8 The foule of the aire, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas.

9 **L**ORD our LORD, how excellent is thy name in all the earth!

PSAL. IX.

1 Dauid prayseth God for executing of iudgement. 11 He inciteth others to prayse him. 13 Hee prayeth, that hee may haue cause to prayse him.

To the chiefe musician vpon Nuth-Labben. A psalme of Dauid.

I will praise thee, **L**ORD, with my whole heart: I will shewe forth all thy maruellous workes.

2 I will bee glad and reioyce in thee: I will sing prayse to thy name, **O** thou most high.

3 When mine enemies are turned backe, they shall fall and perish at thy presence.

4 For **†** thou hast maintained my right, and my cause: thou satest in the throne iudging **†** right.

5 Thou hast rebuked the heathen, thou hast destroyed the wicked; thou hast put out their name for ever and euer.

6 **¶** **O** thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetuall end; and thou hast destroyed cities, their memoriall is perished with them.

7 But the **L**ORD shall endure for ever: he hath ***** prepared his throne for iudgement.

8 And hee shall iudge the world in righteousnesse; he shall minister iudgement to the people in vprightnesse.

9 ***** The **L**ORD also will bee **†** a refuge for the oppressed: a refuge, in times of trouble.

10 And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou **L**ORD hast not forsaken them that seeke thee.

11 Sing praises to the **L**ORD, which dwelleth in Sion: declare among the people his doings.

12 ***** When he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembreth them: he forgetteth not the crye of the **¶** humble.

13 Haue mercie vpon me **L**ORD, consider my trouble which I suffer of them that hate me, thou that liftest mee vp from the gates of death:

14 That I may shew forth all thy prayse in the gates of the daughter of

Sion: I will reioyce in thy saluation.

15 ***** The heathen are sunke downe in the pit that they made: in the net which they hid, is their own foot taken.

16 The **L**ORD is knowen by the iudgement which he executeth: the wicked is snared in the worke of his owne hands. Higgaion. Selah.

17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.

18 For the needie shall not alway be forgotten: the expectation of the poore shall not perish for ever.

19 Arise, **L**ORD, let not man preuaile: let the heathen bee iudged in thy sight.

20 Put them in feare, **L**ORD: that the nations may know themselves to be but men. Selah.

PSAL. X.

1 Dauid complaineth to God of the outrage of the wicked. 12 He prayeth for remedie. 16 He professeth his confidence.

Why standest thou as farre off, **L**ORD: why hidest thou thy selfe in times of trouble?

2 **†** The wicked in his pride doeth persecute the poore: ***** let them be taken in the deuices that they haue imagined.

3 For the wicked boasteth of his **†** hearts desire, **¶** and blesseth the covetous, whom the **L**ORD abhorreth.

4 The wicked through the pride of his countenance will not seeke after God: **¶** God is not in all his ***** thoughts.

5 His wayes are alwayes grievous, thy iudgements are farre aboue out of his sight: as for all his enemies, he puffeth at them.

6 He hath said in his heart, I shall not be moued: for I shall **†** neuer be in aduersitie.

7 ***** His mouth is full of cursing, and **†** deceit, and fraud: vnder his tongue is mischief and **¶** vanitie.

8 He sitteth in the lurking places of the villages: in the secret places doeth he murder the innocent: his eyes **†** are priuily set against the poore.

9 He lieth in waite **†** secretly as a lyon in his denne, he lieth in wait to catch the poore: he doth catch the poore when he draweth him into his net.

10 **†** He croucheth, and humbleth himselfe, that the poore may fall **¶** by his strong ones.

† Hebr. thou hast made my iudgement. † Hebr. in righteousnes

¶ Or, the destructions of the enemy are come to a perpetuall end: and their cities hast thou destroyed, &c. * Psal. 96. 13. and 98. 10.

* Psal. 37. 39. and 46. 1. and 91. 2. † Hebr. an high place.

* Gen. 9. 5

¶ Or, afflicted.

* Psal. 7. 16.

† Hebr. in the pride of the wicked he doth persecute.

* Psal. 7. 16. and 9. 16. prou. 5. 22. † Hebr. conseruetou blesseth himselfe, he abhorreth the Lord.

¶ Or, all his thoughts are there in me God.

* Psal. 14. 3. and 53. 1. † Hebr. onto generation and generation.

* Rom. 1. 4. † Hebr. deccit. ¶ Or, iniquitie.

† Hebr. hide themselves.

† Hebr. in the secret places.

† Hebr. hee breaketh himselfe.

¶ Or, into his strong parts.

11 Hee hath said in his heart, God hath forgotten: * he hideth his face, hee will neuer see it.

12 Arise, O LORD, O God lift vp thine hand: forget not the humble.

13 Wherefore doeth the wicked contemne God: he hath said in his heart, Thou wilt not require it.

14 Thou hast seene it, for thou beholdest mischief and spite to requite it with thy hand: the poore committeth himselfe vnto thee, thou art the helper of the fatherlesse.

15 Breake thou the arme of the wicked, and the euill man: seeke out his wickednes, till thou finde none.

16 * The LORD is King for euer and euer: the heathen are perished out of his land.

17 LORD, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine eare to heare,

18 To iudge the fatherlesse and the oppressed, that the man of the earth may no more oppresse.

P S A L. XI.

1 Dauid encourageth himselfe in God, against his enemies. 4 The prouidence and iustice of God.

To the chiefe Musician. A Psalme of Dauid.

How the LORD put I my trust: how say yee to my soule, Flee as a bird to your mountaine:

2 For loe, the wicked bende their bow, they make ready their arrow vpon the string: that they may priuily shoote at the vpright in heart.

3 If the foundations bee destroyed: what can the righteous doe:

4 * The LORD is in his holy Temple, the LORDS Throne is in heauen: his eyes beholde, his eye lids trie the children of men.

5 The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loueth violence, his soule hateth.

6 Upon the wicked hee shall raine snares, fire and brimstone, and an horrible tempest: this shall be the portion of their cup.

7 For the righteous LORD loueth righteousnesse: his countenance doeth behold the vpright.

P S A L. XII.

1 Dauid destitute of humane comfort, craueth helpe of God. 3 Hee comforteth himselfe with Gods iudgements on the wicked, and confidence in Gods tried promises.

To the chiefe Musician || vpon Shemith. A psalme of Dauid.

How the LORD, for the godly man ceaseth: for the faithfull faile from among the children of men.

2 They speake vanitie euery one with his neighbour: with flattering lips, and with a double heart do they speake.

3 The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, and the tongue that speaketh proud things.

4 Who haue said, with our tongue wil we preuaile, our lips are our owne: who is Lord ouer vs:

5 For the oppression of the poore, for the sighing of the needy, now will I arise (saith the LORD,) I will set him in safetie from him that puffeth at him.

6 The wordes of the LORD are pure wordes: * as siluer tried in a furnace of earth purified seven times.

7 Thou shalt keepe them, (O LORD,) thou shalt preserue them, from this generation for euer.

8 The wicked walke on euery side, when the vilest men are exalted.

P S A L. XIII.

1 Dauid complaineth of delay in helpe. 3 He prayeth for preuenting Grace. 5 Hee boasteth of Diuine mercie.

To the chiefe Musician. A Psalme of Dauid.

How long wilt thou forget mee (O LORD) for euer: how long wilt thou hide thy face from me:

2 How long shall I take counsel in my soule, hauing sorrow in my heart dayly: how long shall mine enemy be exalted ouer me:

3 Consider and heare me, O LORD my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the sleepe of death.

4 Least mine enemy say, I haue preuailed against him: and those that trouble mee, reioyce, when I am moued.

5 But I haue trusted in thy mercy, my

excusing prayer

Or, vpon the eighth.

Or, saue.

Hebr. an heart, and an heart.

Hebr. great things.

Hebr. are with vs.

Or, would ensnare him.

2. Sam. 23. 31. psal. 18. 29. & 119. ver. 140.

prou. 30. 5. Hebr. him. i. euery one of them.

Hebr. the vilest of the somes of men are exalted.

Or, over-seer.

Psal. 94. 7.

Or, affli-

Hebr. lea-

Psal. 29. 9. and 145. 13. and 146. 10. iere. 16. 10. lam. 5. 19.

Or, esta-

Or, terrifi-

Hebr. in

Abak. 2. 10.

Or, a bur-

Hearke the † right, O LORD, attend vnto my crie, giue eare vnto my prayer, that goeth † not out of fained lips.

2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence: let thine eyes beholde the things that are equall.

3 Thou hast prooued mine heart, thou hast visited me in the night, thou hast tried me, and shalt find nothing: I am purposed that my mouth shall not transgresse.

4 Concerning the workes of men, by the word of thy lips, I haue kept me from the paths of the destroyer.

5 Hold by my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps † slip not.

6 I haue called vpon thee, for thou wilt heare me, O God: incline thine eare vnto me, and heare my speach.

7 Shewe thy marueilous louing kindnesse, O thou || that sauest by thy right hand, them which put their trust in thee, frō those that rise vp against them.

8 Re-eme as the apple of the eye: hide mee vnder the shadowe of thy wings,

9 From the wicked † that oppresse me, from my † deadly enemies, who compassse me about.

10 They are inclosed in their owne fat: with their mouth they speake proudly.

11 They haue now compassed vs in our steps: they haue set their eyes bowing downe to the earth:

12 † Like as a lyon that is greedie of his pray, and as it were a yong lyon † lurking in secret places.

13 Arise, O LORD, † disappoint him, cast him downe: deliuer my soule from the wicked, || which is thy sword:

14 || From men which are thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, which haue their portion in this life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid treasure: || They are full of children, and leaue the rest of their substance to their babes.

15 As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousnesse: I shall bee satisfied, when I awake, with thy likenesse.

P S A L. XVIII.

Dauid praiseth God for his manifold and marueilous blessings.

To the chiefe musician, a psalme of Dauid, the seruant of the LORD,

evening prayer.

Who spake vnto the LORD the words of * this song, in the day that the LORD deliuered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul: And he said,

I will loue thee, O LORD, my strength.

2 The LORD is my rocke, and my fortresse, and my deliuerer: my God, † my strength in whome I will trust, my buckler, and the horne of my saluation, and my high tower.

3 I will call vpon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saued from mine enemies.

4 * The sorrowes of death compassed me, and the floods of † vngodly men made me afraid.

5 The || sorrowes of hell compassed me about: the snares of death preuented me.

6 In my distresse I called vpon the LORD, and cryed vnto my God: hee heard my voyce out of his temple, and my crie came before him, euen into his eares.

7 Then the earth shooke and trembled: the foundations also of the hilles mooued and were shaken, because hee was wroth.

8 There went by a smoke † out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth deuoured, coales were kindled by it.

9 He bowed the heauens also, and came downe: and darkenesse was vnder his feet.

10 And he rode vpon a Cherub, and did flie: yea he did flie vpon the wings of the wind.

11 He made darkenes his secret place: his pavilion round about him, were darke waters, and thicke cloudes of the skies.

12 At the brightnes that was before him his thicke clouds passed, haile stones and coales of fire.

13 The LORD also thundered in the heauens, and the highest gaue his voyce: hailestones and coales of fire.

14 Yea, he sent out his arrowes, and scattered them; and he shot out lightnings, and discomfited them.

15 Then the chanelles of waters were seene, and the foundations of the world were discovered: at thy rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of thy nostrils.

16 He sent from aboue, he tooke me,

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* 2.Sam. 22

† Heb. my rocke.

* Psal. 116.3
† Heb. Be-
lial.

|| Or, coards.

† Heb. by his

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sauest me.
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sented his face.
Or, by thy
sword.
Or, from
men by
their hand.
Or, their
children
are full.

|| Or, great waters.

he drew me out of many waters.

17 He deliuered me from my strongemie, and from them which hated me: for they were too strong for me.

18 They prevented me in the day of my calamitie: but the LORD was my stay.

19 He brought me forth also into a large place: he deliuered me, because he delighted in me.

20 The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousnesse, according to the cleannesse of my hands hath hee recompensed me.

21 For I haue kept the wayes of the LORD, and haue not wickedly departed from my God.

22 For all his iudgements were before me, and I did not put away his statutes from me.

† Heb. with.

23 I was also byright † before him: and I kept my selfe from mine iniquity.

24 Therefore hath the LORD recompensed me according to my righteousnesse, according to the cleannesse of my hands † in his eye-sight.

† Heb. before his eyes.

25 With the mercifull thou wilt shew thy selfe mercifull, with an byright man thou wilt shew thy selfe byright.

26 With the pure thou wilt shewe thy selfe pure, and with the froward thou wilt shew thy selfe froward.

|| Or, wrestle.

27 For thou wilt saue the afflicted people: but wilt bring downe high lookes.

|| Or, lampe.

28 For thou wilt light my candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkenesse.

|| Or, broken.

29 For by thee I haue run through a troupe: and by my God haue I leaped ouer a wall.

* Psal. 12.6.

30 As for God, his way is perfect: * the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him.

&. 119. 140

prou. 30.5.

|| Or, refined.

* Deut. 32.

33.

1. Sam. 2.2.

psal. 86.8.

Esa. 45.5.

31 * For who is God saue the LORD: or who is a rocke saue our God?

32 It is God that girdeth mee with strength, and maketh my way perfect.

33 Hee maketh my feete like hindes feete, and setteth me vpon my high places.

34 He teacheth my hands to warre, so that a bow of Steele is broken by mine armes.

|| Or, with thy meekenesse thou hast multiplied me.

35 Thou hast also giuen me the shield of thy saluation: and thy right hand hath holden me by, and thy gentlenesse hath made me great.

36 Thou hast enlarged my steppes vnder me; that † my feete did not slippe.

† Heb. mine anken.

37 I haue pursued mine enemies, and ouertaken them: neither did I turne againe till they were consumed.

38 I haue wounded them that they were not able to rise: they are fallen vnder my feete.

39 For thou hast girded mee with strength vnto the battell: thou † hast subdued vnder me, those that rose by against me.

† Heb. caught to bow.

40 Thou hast also giuen mee the neckes of mine enemies: that I might destroy them that hate me.

41 They cried, but there was none to saue them: euen vnto the LORD, but he answered them not.

42 Then did I beate them small as the dust before the winde: I did cast them out, as the dirt in the streetes.

43 Thou hast deliuered me from the strivings of the people, and thou hast made mee the head of the heathen: a people whom I haue not knowen, shall serue me.

44 † As soone as they heare of mee, they shall obey me: † the strangers shall submit themselues vnto me.

† Heb. at the hearing of the eare.

† Heb. the sonnes of the stranger.

|| Or, yeeld fained obedience.

Heb. lu.

45 The strangers shall fade away, and be afraid out of their close places.

46 The LORD liueth, and blessed be my rocke: and let the God of my saluation be exalted.

47 It is God that † auengeth mee, and † subdueth the people vnder me.

† Heb. giueth auenge-

ments for me.

|| Or, destroyer.

† Heb. man of violence.

* Rom. 1.5.9

|| Or, confesse

48 He deliuereth me from mine enemies: yea thou liftest mee by aboue those that rise by against me; thou hast deliuered me from the † violent man.

49 * Therefore will I giue thankes vnto thee, (O LORD) among the heathen: and sing prayles vnto thy name.

50 Great deliuerance giueth he to his King: and sheweth mercy to his Anointed, to David, and to his seede for euermore.

P S A L. XIX.

1 The creatures shew Gods glory. 7 The word his Grace. 12 Dauid prayeth for Grace.

To the chiefe Musician, A Psalm of Dauid.

The heauens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handy worke.

* Gen. 1.6.

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reth speach, and night vnto night sheweth knowledge.

3 There is no speach nor language, where their voyce is not heard.

4 Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world: In them hath he set a tabernacle for the Sunne.

5 Which is as a bridegrome coming out of his chamber, and reioyceth as a strong man to runne a race.

6 His going forth is from the end of the heauen, and his circuite vnto the ends of it: and there is nothing hidde from the heat thereof.

7 The Law of the LORD is perfect, conuerting the soule: the testimonie of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

8 The Statutes of the LORD are right, reioycing the heart: the Commandement of the LORD is pure, enlightning the eyes.

9 The feare of the LORD is cleane, enduring for euer: the Judgements of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.

10 More to bee desired are they then gold, yea, then much fine gold: sweeter also then hony, and the hony combe.

11 Moreouer by them is thy seruant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward.

12 Who can vnderstand his errours: cleanse thou me from secret faults.

13 Keepe back thy seruant also from presumptuous sinnes, let them not haue dominion ouer me: then shall I be by right, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, bee acceptable in thy sight, O LORD my strength, and my redeemer.

P S A L. XX.

1 The Church blesseth the King in his exploits. 7 Her confidence in Gods succour.

To the chiefe Musician. A Psalm of Dauid.

The LORD heare thee in the day of trouble, the Name of the God of Iacob defend thee.

2 Send thee helpe from the Sanctuary: and strengthen thee out of Sion.

3 Remember all thy offerings, and

accept thy burnt sacrifice. Selah.

4 Graunt thee according to thine owne heart, and fulfill all thy counsell.

5 We will reioyce in thy saluation, and in the Name of our God we will set by our banners: the LORD fulfill all thy petitions.

6 Now know I, that the LORD saueh his Anointed: he wil heare him from his holy heauen, with the sauing strength of his right hand.

7 Some trust in charets, and some in horses: but wee will remember the Name of the LORD our God.

8 They are brought downe and fallen: but we are risen, and stand by right.

9 Saue LORD, let the King heare vs when we call.

P S A L. XXI.

1 A thankesgiuing for victory. 7 Confidence of further successe.

To the chiefe Musician. A Psalm of Dauid.

The King shall ioy in thy strength, O LORD: and in thy saluation how greatly shall he reioyce:

2 Thou hast given him his hearts desire; and hast not withholden the request of his lips. Selah.

3 For thou preuentest him with the blessings of goodnesse: thou settest a Crowne of pure gold on his head.

4 He asked life of thee, and thou gauest it him, euen length of dayes for euer and euer.

5 His glozy is great in thy saluation: honour and Maiestie hast thou layde vpon him.

6 For thou hast made him most blessed for euer: thou hast made him exceeding glad with thy countenance.

7 For the King trusteth in the LORD, and through the mercy of the most High, he shall not be moued.

8 Thine hand shall finde out all thine enemies, thy right hand shall finde out those that hate thee.

9 Thou shalt make them as a fiery ouen in the time of thine anger: the LORD shall swallow them by in his wrath, and the fire shall deuoure them.

10 Their fruit shalt thou destroy from the earth, and their seed from among the children of men.

11 For they intended euill against thee:

† Heb. turne to ashes: or, make fat.

† Heb. from the heauen of his holinesse.

† Heb. by the strength of the saluation of his right hand.



2 Thou hast given him

† Heb. set him to be blessings. † Heb. gladdened him with ioy.

thee: they imagined a mischievous de-
vice, which they are not able to performe.

12 Therefore shalt thou make them
turne theire † back, when thou shalt make
ready thine arrowes vpon thy strings, a-
gainst the face of them.

13 Be thou exalted, LORD, in thine
owne strength: so will wee sing, and
praise thy power.

PSAL. XXII.

1 Dauid complaineth in great discouragement.

9 Hee prayeth in great distresse. 23 Hee
praiseth God.

To the chiefe Musician vpon Aye-
leth Shabar. A Psalme
of Dauid.

MY GOD, my GOD, * Why
hast thou forsaken mee:
why art thou so far † from
helping me, and from the
words of my roaring?

2 O my GOD, I crie
in the day time, but thou hearest not;
and in the night season, and † am not
silent.

3 But thou art holy, O thou that in-
habitest the praises of Israel!

4 Our fathers trusted in thee: they
trusted, and thou didst deliuer them.

5 They cryed vnto thee, and were
deliuered: they trusted in thee, and were
not confounded.

6 But I am a worme, and no man;
a reproach of men, and despised of the
people.

7 * All they that see me, laugh me to
scorne: they † shoothe out the lippe, they
shake the head, saying,

8 * † He trusted on the LORD, that
he would deliuer him: let him deliuer
him, seeing he delighted in him.

9 But thou art hee that tooke mee
out of the wombe; thou † didst make
me hope, when I was vpon my mothers
breasts.

10 I was cast vpon thee from the
wombe: thou art my GOD from my mo-
thers belly.

11 Be not farre from me, for trouble
is neere; for there is † none to helpe.

12 Many bulles haue compassed
me: strong bulles of Bashan haue beset
me round.

13 They † gaped vpon me with their
mouthes, as a rauening and a roaring
Lyon.

14 I am powred out like water,

and all my bones are † out of ioynt: my
heart is like ware, it is melted in the
middelt of my bowels.

15 My strength is dried vp like a pot-
sheard: and my tongue cleaueth to my
iawes; and thou hast brought me into
the dust of death.

16 For dogges haue compassed me:
the assembly of the wicked haue inclo-
sed me: * they pierced my hands and my
feete.

17 I may tell all my bones: they
looke and stare vpon me.

18 They part my garments among
them, and cast lots vpon my besture.

19 But be not thou farre from mee,
LORD; O my strength, hast thee
to helpe me.

20 Deliuer my soule from the sword:
† my darling † from the power of the
dogge.

21 Saue me from the Lyons mouth:
for thou hast heard me from the hornes
of the vnicornes.

22 * I will declare thy name vnto
my brethren: in the midst of the congre-
gation will I praise thee.

23 Bee that feare the LORD, praise
him; all yee the seede of Jacob glorifie
him, and feare him all yee the seede of
Israel.

24 For he hath not despised, nor ab-
horred the affliction of the afflicted; nei-
ther hath he hid his face from him, but
when he cried vnto him, he heard.

25 My praise shall be of thee, in the
great congregation: I will pay my
bowes, before them that feare him.

26 The meeke shall eate and be sa-
tisfied: they shall praise the LORD that
seeke him; your heart shall liue for
euer.

27 * All the ends of the world shall
remember, and turne vnto the LORD:
and all the kinreds of the nations shall
worship before thee.

28 For the kingdome is the LORDS:
and he is the gouernour among the na-
tions.

29 All they that be fat vpon earth
shall eate and worship: all they that goe
downe to the dust shall bow before him,
and none can keepe aliuie his owne
soule.

30 A seed shall serue him; it shall be ac-
counted to the Lord for a generation.

31 They shall come, and shall declare
his righteousness vnto a people that
shalbe borne, that he hath done this.

|| Or, thou
shalt set
them as a
butte.
† Heb. shoul-
der.

|| Or, the
hind of the
morning.

* Mat. 27.
46.
Marc. 15.
24.
† Heb. from
my saluation.

† Heb. there
is no silence
to me.

* Mat. 27.
39.
† Heb. open.

* Mat. 27.
43.
† Heb. hee
rolled him-
selfe on the
Lord.
|| Or, if he
delight in
him.
|| Or, keptst
me in safety.

† Heb. not
a helper.

† Heb. open-
ed their
mouthes a-
gainst me.

|| Or, sm-
dred.

* Mat. 27.
35. Marc. 15.
24. Luc. 23.
33. Joh. 19.
23. & 37.

† Heb. my
only one,
† Heb. from
the hand.

* Luc. 23.
34. Joh. 19.
24. Heb.
2. 12.

* Psal. 28.
& 71. 11.
and 86. 9.

Eli. 40. 11
Ier. 23. 5.
Ezech. 34.
Ioh. 10. 11.

1. Pet. 2. 5.
† Heb. 24.
Ier. 23. 5.
† Heb. ma-
ster of quiet-
ness.

* Psal. 3. 6.
& 11. 6. 6.

† Heb. ma-
ster of
quietness.

† Heb. 10
length of
dayes.

* Deut. 10.

14
Iob. 41. 2.
Psal. 50. 12.
1. Cor. 10.
26. & 28.
* Iob. 38. 6.
Psal. 104. 5.
& 136. 6.

* Psal. 15. 1.

* Psal. 23.
19. 16.
† Heb. the
cleane of
hands.

|| Or, O
God of Is-
rahel.

18 Looke vpon mine affliction, and my paine, and forgiue all my finnes.

† Heb. hatred of violence.

19 Consider mine enemies: for they are many, and they hate me with † cruell hatred.

20 O keepe my soule and deliuer me: let me not bee ashamed, for I put my trust in thee.

21 Let integritie and byrightnesse preserue me: for I wait on thee.

22 Redeeme Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.

P S A L. XXVI.

Dauid resorteth vnto God, in confidence of his integritie.

¶ A Psalm of Dauid.

Hearge me, O LORD, for I haue walked in mine integritie: I haue trusted also in the LORD: therefore I shall not slide.

* Psa. 7. 10

2 * Examine me, O LORD, and proue me: try my reines and my heart.

3 For thy louing kindnesse is before mine eyes: and I haue walked in thy trueth.

* Psa. 1. 1

4 * I haue not sate with vaine persons, neither will I goe in with dissemblers.

5 I haue hated the congregation of euill doers: and will not sit with the wicked.

6 I will wash mine hands in innocencie: so will I compasse thine Altar, O LORD:

7 That I may publiſh with the voyce of thanksgiuing, and tell of all thy wonderous workes.

8 LORD, I haue loued the habitation of thy house, and the place † where thine honour dwelleth.

† Heb. of the Tabernacle of thy honor. || Or, take not away.

9 || Gather not my soule with sinners, nor my life with † bloody men.

† Heb. men of blood.

10 In whose hands is mischief: and their right hand is † full of bribes.

† Heb. filled with.

11 But as for mee, I will walke in mine integritie: redeeme me, and bee mercifull vnto me.

12 My foot standeth in an euen place: in the congregations will I blesse the LORD.

P S A L. XXVII.

1 Dauid sustaineth his faith, by the power of God, 4 By his loue to the seruice of God, 9 By prayer.

¶ A Psalm of Dauid.

The LORD is my light, and my saluation, whome shall I feare: * the LORD is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid:

* Psa. 118. 6. mica. 7. 8.

2 When the wicked, euen mine enemies and my foes † came vpon me to eat vp my flesh, they stumbled and fell.

† Heb. ap. proached against me. * Psa. 3. 6.

3 * Though an host should encampe against me, my heart shall not feare: though warre should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

4 One thing haue I desired of the LORD, that will I seeke after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD, all the dayes of my life, to behold || the beautie of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.

|| Or, the delight.

5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me, hee shall set me vpon a rocke.

6 And now shall mine head be lifted vp aboue mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices † of ioy, I will sing, yea, I will sing praises vnto the LORD.

† Heb. of shouting.

7 Heare, O LORD, when I crie with my voice: haue mercie also vpon mee, and answere me.

8 || When thou saidst, Seeke ye my face, my heart said vnto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seeke.

|| Or, my heart said vnto thee, let my face seeke thy face, &c.

9 Hide not thy face farre from me, put not thy seruant away in anger: thou hast bin my helpe, leaue me not, neither forsake me, O God of my saluation.

10 When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD † will take me vp.

† Heb. will gather me.

11 * Teach me thy way, O LORD, and leade me in a † plaine path, because of mine † enemies.

* Psa. 25. 4. and 86. 11. and 119.

12 Deliuer me not ouer vnto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen vp against me, and such as breath out crueltie.

† Heb. a way of plaine. † Heb. which obserue me.

13 I had fainted, vnlesse I had beleued to see the goodnesse of the LORD in the land of the liuing.

14 * Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

* Psa. 31. 35. isa. 25. 9. hab. 2. 3.

P S A L. XXVIII.

1 Dauid prayeth earnestly against his enemies. 6 He blesseth God. 9 Hee prayeth for the people.

¶ A Psalm

A Psalm of David.



Vnto thee will I cry, O LORD, my rocke, be not silent to mee: * lest if thou be silent † to me, I become like them that goe downe into the pit.

2 Heare the voyce of my supplications, when I cry vnto thee: when I lift vp my handes || toward thy holy Oracle.

3 Draw me not away with the wicked, and with the workers of iniquitie: * which speake peace to their neighbors, but mischief is in their hearts.

4 Giue them according to their deedes, and according to the wickednes of their endeouours: giue them after the worke of their handes, render to them their desert.

5 Because they regard not the workes of the LORD, nor the operation of his hands, he shall destroy them, and not build them vp.

6 Blessed be the LORD, because he hath heard the voyce of my supplications.

7 The LORD is my strength, and my shield, my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly reioyceth, and with my song will I praise him.

8 The LORD is || their strength, and hee is the † sauing strength of his Anointed.

9 Saue thy people, and blesse thine inheritance, || feede them also, and lift them vp for ever.

PSAL. XXIX.

1 David exhorteth Princes to giue glory to God, 3 by reason of his power, 11 and protection of his people.

A Psalm of David.

Giue vnto the LORD (O ye mighty) giue vnto the LORD glory and strength.

2 Giue vnto the LORD † the glory due vnto his Name; worship the LORD || in the beautie of holinesse.

3 The voice of the LORD is vpon the waters: the God of glory thundreth, the LORD is vpon || many waters.

4 The voice of the LORD is † powerful; the voyce of the LORD is † full of Maiestie.

5 The voyce of the LORD breaketh the Cedars: yea, the LORD breaketh the Cedars of Lebanon.

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calfe: Lebanon, and * Sirion like a yong Unicorn.

7 The voyce of the LORD † diuideth the flames of fire.

8 The voyce of the LORD || shaketh the wilderness: the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.

9 The voice of the LORD maketh the hindes to calue, and discovereth the Forrests: and in his Temple doeth || euery one speake of his glory.

10 The LORD sitteth vpon the flood: yea the LORD sitteth King for ever.

11 The LORD will giue strength vnto his people; the LORD will blesse his people with peace.

PSAL. XXX.

1 David prayeth God for his deliuerance. 4 He exhorteth others to praise him by example of Gods dealing with him.

A Psalm, and song at the dedication of the house of David.

I will extol thee, O LORD, for thou hast lifted me vp; and hast not made my foes to reioyce ouer me.

2 O LORD my God, I cried vnto thee, and thou hast healed me.

3 O LORD, thou hast brought vp my soule from the graue: thou hast kept me aliuie, that I should not goe downe to the pit.

4 Sing vnto the LORD, (O yee Saints of his) and giue thanks || at the remembrance of his holinesse.

5 For † his anger endureth but a moment; in his fauour is life: weeping may endure † for a night, but † ioy commeth in the morning.

6 And in my † prosperitie I said, I shall neuer be mooued.

7 LORD, by thy fauour thou hast † made my mountaine to stand strong: Thou didst hide thy face, and I was troubled.

8 I cried to thee, O LORD: and vnto the LORD I made supplication.

9 What profit is there in my blood, when I goe downe to the pit: * Shall the dust praise thee: shall it declare thy trueth:

10 Heare, O LORD, and haue mercie

Psal. 143. 7.

Or, towards the Oracle of thy Sanctuary.

Psal. 12. 3. iere 9. 8.

Or, his strength. † Hebr. strength of saluations.

Or, rule.

Hebr. yee (O ye mighty) giue vnto the LORD glory and strength.

Hebr. the honour of his name. Or, in his glorious Sanctuary.

Or, great waters.

Hebr. in power. † Hebr. in Maiestie.

* Deut. 3. 9.

† Hebr. cutteth out.

|| Or, to be in paine.

|| Or, euery whit of it uttereth &c.

|| Or, to the memoriall.

† Hebr. there is but a moment in his anger.

† Hebr. in the evening. † Hebr. singing.

† Hebr. settled strength for my mountaine.

* Psal. 6. 6. and 88. 11. and 115. 17.

cie vpon me: **L O R D** be thou my hel-
per.

11 Thou hast turned for mee my
mourning into dauncing: thou hast put
off my sackcloth, and girded mee with
gladnesse:

12 To the end that || my glory may
sing prayse to thee, and not be silent: **O**
L O R D my God, I will giue thankes
vnto thee for euer.

P S A L. XXXI.

1 David shewing his confidence in God, cra-
ueth his helpe. 7 He reioyceth in his mercy.
9 He prayeth in his calamitie. 19 He pray-
seth God for his goodnesse.

To the chiefe Musician, A
Psalme of David.

In thee, **O L O R D**, doe
I put my trust, let me ne-
uer be ashamed: deliuer
me in thy righteousnesse.
2 Wolfe downe thine
eare to me, deliuer me speedily: be thou
† my strong rocke, for an house of de-
fence to saue me.

3 For thou art my rocke and my for-
tresse: therfore for thy names sake lead
me, and guide me.

4 Pull me out of the net, that they
haue layd priuily for me: for thou art my
strength.

5 * Into thine hand I commit my
spirit: thou hast redeemed mee, **O**
L O R D God of trneth.

6 I haue hated them that regard
lying vanities: but I trust in the
L O R D.

7 I will be glad, and reioyce in thy
mercie: for thou hast considered my
trouble; thou hast knowen my soule in
aduersities;

8 And hast not shut me vp into the
hand of the enemy: thou hast set my
feete in a large roome.

9 Haue mercy vpon me, **O L O R D**,
for I am in trouble; mine eie is consu-
med with griefe, yea my soule and my
belly.

10 For my life is spent with griefe,
and my yeeres with sighing: my
strength faileth, because of mine iniqui-
tie, and my bones are consumed.

11 I was a reproch among all mine
enemies, but especially among my
neighbours, and a feare to mine ac-
quaintance: they that did see me with-
out, fled from me.

12 I am forgotten as a dead man
out of minde: I am like † a broken
vessell.

13 For I haue heard the slander of
many, feare was on euery side: while
they tooke counsell together against
me, they deuised to take away my life.

14 But I trusted in thee, **O L O R D**:
I sayd, Thou art my God.

15 My times are in thy hand: deliuer
me from the hand of mine enemies,
and from them that persecute me.

16 Make thy face to shine vpon thy
seruant: saue me for thy mercies sake.

17 Let mee not be ashamed, **O**
L O R D, for I haue called vpon thee:
let the wicked be ashamed, and || let them
be silent in the graue.

18 Let the lying lippes be put to si-
lence: which speake † grievous things
proudly and contemptuously against
the righteous.

19 * How great is thy goodnesse,
which thou hast layd vp for them that
feare thee: which thou hast wrought for
them that trust in thee, before the
sonnes of men!

20 Thou shalt hide them in the se-
cret of thy presence, from the pride of
man: thou shalt keepe them secretly in
a pavilion, from the strife of tongues.

21 Blessed be the **L O R D**; for hee
hath shewed me his marvellous kind-
nesse, in a || strong citie.

22 For I sayd in my haste, I am cut
off from before thine eies: neuerthe-
lesse thou heardest the voice of my sup-
plications, when I cryed vnto thee.

23 O loue the **L O R D**, all yee his
Saints: for the **L O R D** preserueth the
faithfull, and plentifully rewardeth the
proud doer.

24 * Be of good courage, and hee
shall strenghten your heart: all ye that
hope in the **L O R D**.

P S A L. XXXII.

1 Blessednesse consisteth in remission of sinnes.
3 Confession of sinnes giueth ease to the
conscience. 8 Gods promises bring ioy.

† A Psalme of David, Maschil.

Blessed is he whose * trans-
gression is forgiven, whose
sinne is covered.

2 Blessed is the man vn-
to whom the **L O R D**
imputeth not iniquitie: and in whose
spirit there is no guile.

3 when

|| That is,
my tongue,
or my soule.

* Psal. 22.
5. Esa. 49.
23.

† Heb. to me
for a rocke
of strength.

* Luc. 23.
46.

† Heb. a ves-
sell that is
broken.

* Prou. 8.
13.
Esa. 95. 24.
1. Job. 1. 9.

† Heb. in a
cave of fir-
ring.

|| Or, let
them be cut
off for the
grave.
† Heb. a hard
thing.

* Esa. 64.
4. 1. Cor.
2. 9.

† Heb. I will
complete
mine eye
shall be op-
enied.

|| Or, fenced
city.

* Psal. 27.
14.

|| Or, psalme
of David
giving in-
struction.
* Rom. 4. 7.

* Psal. 119.
64.
Or, mercy.

* Gen. 1. 6.
8. 7.

3 When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.

4 For day and night thy hand was heavy vpon me: my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. Selah.

5 I acknowledged my sin vnto thee, and mine iniquitie haue I not hid: * I said, I will confesse my transgressions vnto the LORD; and thou forgauest the iniquitie of my sinne. Selah.

6 For this shall euery one that is godly pray vnto thee, † in a time when thou mayest bee found: surely in the floods of great waters, they shall not come nigh vnto him.

7 * Thou art my hiding place, thou shalt preserue mee from trouble: thou shalt compasse me about with songs of deliuerance. Selah.

8 I will instruct thee, and teach thee in the way which thou shalt goe: † I will guide thee with mine eye.

9 * Be yee not as the horse, or as the mule which haue no vnderstanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, least they come neere vnto thee.

10 Many sorowes shall be to the wicked: but he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compasse him about.

11 Be glad in the LORD, and reioyce yee righteous: and shout for ioy al l ye that are vpright in heart.

PSAL. XXXIII.

1 God is to be prayesd for his goodnesse, 6 for his power, 12 and for his prouidence. 20 Confidence is to be placed in God.

Reioyce in the LORD, O yee righteous: for prayse is comely for the vpright.

2 Praise the LORD with harp: sing vnto him with the psalterie, and an instrument of ten strings.

3 Sing vnto him a new song; play skilfully with a loud noise.

4 For the word of the LORD is right: and all his workes are done in trueth.

5 * Hee loueth righteousnesse and iudgement: the earth is ful of the goodnesse of the LORD.

6 * By the word of the LORD were the heauens made: and all the host of them, by the breath of his mouth.

7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as an heape: he layeth vp the depth in storehouses.

8 Let all the earth feare the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

9 For he spake, and it was done: he commanded, and it stood fast.

10 * The LORD † bringeth the counsell of the heathen to nought: he maketh the deuices of the people, of none effect.

11 * The counsaile of the LORD standeth for euer, the thoughts of his heart † to all generations.

12 * Blessed is the nation, whose God is the LORD: and the people, whom he hath cholen for his owne inheritance.

13 The LORD looketh from heauen: he beholdeth all the sonnes of men.

14 From the place of his habitation, he looketh vpon all the inhabitants of the earth.

15 He fashioneth their hearts alike: he considereth all their workes.

16 There is no king saued by the multitude of an hoste: a mightie man is not deliuered by much strength.

17 An horse is a vaine thing for safetie: neither shall he deliuer any by his great strength.

18 * Behold, the eye of the LORD is vpon them that feare him: vpon them that hope in his mercy:

19 To deliuer their soule from death, and to keepe them aliuie in famine.

20 Our soule waiteth for the LORD: he is our helpe, and our shield.

21 For our heart shall reioyce in him: because we haue trusted in his holy name.

22 Let thy mercy (O LORD) be vpon vs: according as we hope in thee.

PSAL. XXXIII.

1 Dauid prayseth God, and exhorteth other thereto by his experience. 8 They are blessed that trust in God. 11 He exhorteth to the feare of God. 15 The Priuiledges of the righteous.

CA Psalme of Dauid, when he changed his behauiour before Abimelech: who droue him away & he departed.

LORD will blesse the LORD at all times: his prayse shall continually bee in my mouth.

2 My soule shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall

* Esa. 19. 3.
† Heb. maketh frustrate.

* Prou. 19. 21.
Esa. 46. 10.
† Heb. to generation and generation.
* Psal. 65. 4 & 144. 15.

* Iob. 36. 7.
& 34. 14.
1. Pet. 3. 12.

Or. Achish.
1. Sam. 21. 11.

* Prou. 18. 13.
Esa. 95. 24.
1. Iob. 1. 9.

† Heb. in a time of finding.

* Psal. 9. 10.

† Heb. I will comfort thee, mine eye shall be vpon thee.
* Prou. 26. 3.

* Psal. 119.

Or. mercy.

* Gen. 1. 6.

87.

shall heare thereof, and be glad.

3 Magnifie the LORD with me, and let vs exalt his name together.

4 I sought the LORD, and hee heard me; and deliuered mee from all my feares.

|| Or, they flowed vnto him.

5 || They looked vnto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

6 This poore man cried, and the LORD heard him; and sauéd him out of all his troubles.

7 The Angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that feare him, and deliuereth them.

8 Taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

9 O feare the LORD yee his Saints: for there is no want to them that feare him.

10 The young Lyons doe lacke, and suffer hunger: but they that seeke the LORD, shall not want any good thing.

11 Come yee childzen, hearken vnto me: I will teach you the feare of the LORD.

* Pet. 3. 10.

12 * What man is hee that desireth life; and loueth many dayes, that he may see good:

13 Keepe thy tongue from euill, and thy lippes from speaking guile.

14 Depart from euill, and doe good: seeke peace and pursue it.

* Iob. 36. 7. psal. 33. 18. 1. Pet. 3. 12.

15 * The eyes of the LORD are vpon the righteous; and his eares are open vnto their crie.

16 The face of the LORD is against them that doe euill; to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous crie, and the LORD heareth; and deliuereth them out of all their troubles.

† Heb. to the broken of heart. † Heb. contrite of spirit.

18 The LORD is nigh † vnto them that are of a broken heart: and saueth such as be † of a contrite spirit.

19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD deliuereth him out of them all.

20 He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.

|| Or, shalbe guilty.

21 Euill shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous || shalbe desolate.

22 The LORD redeemeth the soule of his seruants: and none of them that trust in him, shalbe desolate.

PSAL. XXXV.

1 Dauid prayeth for his owne safety, & his enemies confusion. 11 He complaineth of their wrongfull dealing. 22 Thereby he inciteth God against them. *morning. 1.*

† A Psalm of Dauid.



LEAD my cause (LORD) with them that strue with mee: fight against them that fight against me.

2 Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand by for mine helpe.

3 Draw out also the speare, and stop the way against them that persecute me: say vnto my soule, I am thy saluation.

4 * Let them be confounded and put to shame that seeke after my soule: let them be turned backe and brought to confusion, that deuise my hurt.

* Psal. 40. 15. & 70. 3.

5 * Let them be as chaffe before the wind: and let the Angel of the LORD chase them.

* Iob. 11. 8. psal. 14. Efa. 29. 6. Ose. 13. 3.

6 Let their way be † darke and slippery, and let the Angel of the LORD persecute them.

† Heb. darke, nesse and slippery.

7 For without cause haue they hid for me their net in a pit, which without cause they haue digged for my soule.

8 Let destruction come vpon him † at vnawares, and let his net that hee hath hid, catch himselfe: into that very destruction let him fall.

† He. which he knoweth not of.

9 And my soule shalbe ioyfull in the LORD: it shall reioyce in his saluation.

10 All my bones shall say, LORD, who is like vnto thee which deliuerest the poore from him that is too strong for him, yea the poore and the needy, from him that spoileth him:

11 † False witnessses did rise by: † they layd to my charge things that I knew not.

† Heb. witnessses of wrong. † Heb. they asked me.

12 They rewarded mee euill for good, to the † spoiling of my soule.

† Heb. depriuing.

13 But as for me, when they were sicke, my clothing was sack-cloth: I humbled my soule with fasting, and my prayer returned into mine owne bolome.

|| Or, afflicted.

14 I † behaued my selfe as though he had bene † my friend, or brother: I bowed downe heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother.

† Heb. misled. † Heb. as a friend, as a brother to me.

15 But in mine † aduersitie they reioyced, and gathered themselues together:

† Heb. laughing.

ther: yea, the abiects gathered themselves together against me, & I knew it not, they did teare me, and ceased not,

16 With hypocriticall mockers in feasts: they gnashed vpon mee with their teeth.

17 Lord, how long wilt thou looke on: rescue my soule from their destructions, † my darling from the Lyons.

18 * I will giue thee thanks in the great congregation: I will praise thee among † much people.

19 Let not them that are mine enemies † wrongfully, reioyce ouer me: neither let them winke with the eye, that hate me without a cause.

20 For they speake not peace: but they deuise deceitfull matters against them that are quiet in the land.

21 Pea they opened their mouth wide against me, and saide, Aha, Aha, our eye hath seene it.

22 This thou hast seene (O LORD) keepe not silence: O Lord be not farre from me.

23 Stirre vp thy selfe and awake to my iudgement, euen vnto my cause, my God and my Lord.

24 Iudge me O LORD my God, according to thy righteousnesse, and let them not reioyce ouer me.

25 Let them not say in their hearts, † Ah, so would we haue it: let them not say, we haue swallowed him vp.

26 Let them be ashamed and brought to confusion together, that reioyce at mine hurt: let them bee cloathed with shame and dishonour, that magnifie themselves against me.

27 Let them shoute for ioy, and bee glad that fauour † my righteous cause: yea let them say continually, Let the LORD bee magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his seruant

28 And my tongue shall speake of thy righteousnesse, and of thy praise all the day long.

P S A L. XXXVI.

1 The grieuous estate of the wicked. 5 The excellencie of Gods mercie. 10 Dauid prayeth for fauour to Gods children.

To the chiefe musician, A Psalme of Dauid, the seruant of the LORD.

The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, that there is no feare of God before his eyes.

2 For he flatterech him-

selfe in his owne eyes, † vntill his iniquitie be found to be hatefull.

3 The words of his mouth are iniquitie and deceit: he hath left off to bee wise, and to doe good.

4 Hee deuileth || mischief vpon his bed, he setteth himselfe in a way that is not good: he abhorreth not euill.

5 * Thy mercie (O LORD) is in the heauens; and thy faithfulness reacheth vnto the cloudes.

6 Thy righteousnesse is like † the great mountaines; thy iudgements are a great deepe; O LORD, thou preferuest man and beast.

7 How † excellent is thy louing kindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust vnder the shadowe of thy wings.

8 They shall be † abundantly satisfied with the fatnesse of thy house: and thou shalt make them drinke of the riuer of thy pleasures.

9 For with thee is the fountaine of life: in thy light shall we see light.

10 O † continue thy louing kindness vnto them that know thee; and thy righteousnesse to the vpight in heart.

11 Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked remoue me.

12 There are the workers of iniquitie fallen: they are cast downe, and shall not be able to rise.

P S A L. XXXVII.

Dauid perswadeth to patience and confidence in God, by the different estate of the godly and the wicked.

A Psalme of Dauid.

Ret * not thy selfe because of euill doers, neither bee thou enuious against the workers of iniquitie.

2 For they shall soone be cut downe like the grasse; and wither as the greene herbe.

3 Trust in the LORD, and do good, so shalt thou dwell in the land, and † verely thou shalt be fed.

4 Delight thy selfe also in the LORD; and he shall giue thee the desires of thine heart.

5 † * Commit thy way vnto the LORD: trust also in him, and he shall bring it to passe.

6 And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy iudgement as the noone day.

7 † Rest

† Heb. to find his iniquitie to hate.

|| Or, vanitie

* Psal. 57. 11 and 108. 4.

† Hebr. the mountaines of God.

† Heb. precious.

† Heb. watered.

† Heb. draw out at length

* Prou. 23. 17. & 24. 1.

† Hebr. in truth and stableness.

† Hebr. rolle thy way vpon the Lord. * Prou. 16. 3 mat. 6. 25. 1. Pet. 5. 7.

† Heb. my only one. * Psal. 40. 11 and 111. 1.

† Heb. strong

† Heb. falsly.

† Heb. ab, ab our soule.

† Heb. my righteousnes.