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## THOMAS STERNHOLD, JOHN HOPKINS, AND OTHERS;

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Set forth and allowed to be Sung in all Churches, of all the People together, before and after Morning and Evening Prayer; and also before and after Sermons; and moreover in private Houses, for their godly Solace and Comfort: laying apart all ungodly Songs and Ballads, which tend only to the nourishing of Vice, and corrupting of Youth.

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Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. It any merry? let him sing Psalms. James v. 13.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in Psalms, and Hymns, and spiritual Songs; singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. Conoss. iii. 16.

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### PSALMS OF DAVID.

#### PSALM I. T.S.

THE man is blest that bath not lent Nor led his life as sinners do,

- 2 But in the law of God the Lord And in the same doth exercise
- 3 He shall be like a tree that is Which in due season bringeth forth
- 4 Whose leaf shall never fade nor fall, E'en so all things shall prosper well
- 5 As for ungodly men, with them But as the chaff, which by the wind
- 6 Therefore the wicked men shall not Nor in th' assembly of the just
- 7 For why? the way of godly men Whereas the way of wicked men

to wicked men his ear, nor sat in scorners' chair; doth set his whole delight, himself both day and night. planted the rivers nigh, its fruit abundantly; but flourishing shall stand: that this man takes in hand, it shall be nothing so; is driven to and fro. in judgement stand upright, shall sinners come in sight, unto the Lord is known; shall quite be overthrown.

#### PSALM II. T.S.

Why do the people still contrive
2 The kings and rulers of the earth what rage was in their brain?
conspire and are all bent

Against the Lord, and Christ his Son, 3 Shall we be bound to them? say they,

- And of their doctrine and their law

  4 But he that in the heav'n doth dwell,
- And make them all as mocking-stocks
  5 For in his wrath he shall reprove
  And in his fury trouble them,
- 6 I have anointed him my King I will therefore, Lord, preach thy law
- 7 The law whereof the Lord hinself Thou art my only Son, this day
- 8 All people I will give to thee, The ends and coasts of all the earth
- 9 Thou shalt them bruise e'en like to those And as a potter's vessel break
- 10 Now ye, O kings, and rulers all, By whom the matters of the world
- 11 See that ye serve the Lord above See that with rev'rence ye rejoice
- 12 See that ye do embrace and kiss Lest in his wrath ye suddenly
- 13 If once his wrath (but little) shall Then only they that trust in him

a thing that is but vain? conspire and are all bent whom he among us sent. let all their bonds be broke; let us reject the yoke. their doings will deride; throughout the world so wide. their pride and scornful way, and unto them shall say, upon my holy hill; according to thy will: bath thus said unto me. have I begotten thee. as heirs at thy request; by thee shall be possest: that under foot are trod, them with an iron rod. be wise therefore and learn'd, are judged and discern'd. in trembling and in fear; when ye to him draw near: his Son without delay; perish from the right way. be kindled in his breast, shall bappy be and blest.

#### PSALM III. T. S.

O Lord, how are my foes increas'd, who vex me more and more! They break my heart when as they say, God can him not restore.

#### PSALM IV. V.

 But thou, O Lord, art my defence, My worship and my honour both,

3 Then with my voice unto the Lord And he out of his holy hill

4 I laid me down, and quietly For why? I know assuredly,

5 If thousands up against me rise, For thou art still my Lord and God,

6 Rise up therefore, save me, my God, to thee I make my pro-For thou hast broke the cheeks and teeth of all that wicked are.

7 Salvation only doth belong Who on thy people dost bestow

#### PSALM IV. T.S.

O God, thou art my righteousness, Thou hast set me at liberty,

2 Have mercy, Lord, therefore on me, For unto thee incessantly

3 O mortal men, how long will ye Why wander ye in vanity,

4 Know ye that good and godly men And when to him I make complaint,

5 Sin not, but stand in awe therefore, And in your chamber quietly

6 Offer to God the sacrifice And look that in the living Lord

7 The greater sort crave worldly goods, But, Lord, grant us thy countenance,

8 For thou thereby shalt make my heart Than they that of their corn and wine

9 In peace therefore lie down will I, For thou only dost me, O Lord,

#### PSALM V. T.S.

NCLINE thine ears, O Lord, and let To thee, who art my God and King,

Hear me betimes, Lord, tarry not, My supplication in the morn

3 And I will patiently still trust Thou art not pleas'd with wickedness,

4 Such as be foolish shall not stand Vain workers of iniquity

5 The liars and base flatterers Blood-thirsty and deceitful men

6 Therefore will I come to thy house, And rev'rently will worship thee

7 Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, Also the way that I should walk

8 For in their mouths there is no truth, Their throat an open sepulchre,

9 Destroy their false conspiracies, Subvert them in their heaps of sin,

10 But those that put their trust in thee, And render thanks for thy defence, when I am hard bestead; and thou hold'st up my head. I fid both call and cry; did hear me instantly. I slept, and rose again; the Lord did me sustain. I will not be afraid; my Saviour and my aid. to thee I make my pray'r; of all that wicked are. to thee, O Lord, above; thy blessing and thy love.

Lord, hear me when I call: when I was bound in thrall: and grant me my request; to cry I will not rest. my glory thus despise? and follow after lies? the Lord doth take and chuse; be doth me not refuse. examine well your heart: see ye yourselves convert. of righteousness and praise; ye put your trust always. and riches do embrace; thy favour and thy grace: more joyful and more glad, full great increase have had. taking my rest and sleep; preserve and safely keep.

my words have free access from whom I seek redress. for I will have respect, to thee for to direct. in thee, my God, alone; and ill with thee dwells none. in sight of thee, O Lord; thou bast always abhorr'd. shall be destroy'd by thee; likewise shall hated be. trusting upon thy grace; towards thy holy place. for to confound my foes; before my face disclose: their inward filth is great; and tongues full of deceit. that they may come to nought; who have rebellion wrought: let them be glad always; and give thy Name the praise.

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#### PSALM VI, VII.

11 For thou with favour wilt increase And with thy grace, as with a shield, the just and righteous still; defend him from all ill.

#### PSALM VI.

ORD, in thy wrath reprove me not, Nor yet correct me in thy rage, 2 For I am weak, therefore, O Lord,

3 My soul is troubled very sore, But, Lord, how long wilt thou delay

- 4 Lord, turn thee to thy wonted grace, O save me, not for my deserts,
- 5 For why? no man among the dead Or who shall worship thee, O Lord,
- 6 So grievous is my plaint and moan, All the night long I wash my bed
- 7 My sight is dim, and waxeth old For fear of them that be my foes,
- 8 But now depart from me, all ye Because the Lord bath heard the voice
- 9 He heard not only the request But it received at my hands,
- 10 And now my foes that vexed me And suddenly confound them all

though I deserve thine ire: O Lord, I thee desire: of mercy me forbear; And heal me, Lord, for why? thou know'st my bones do quake for fear.

> and vex'd exceedingly; to cure my misery i some pity on me take; but for thy mercies' sake. rememb'reth thee at all;

that in the pit do fall? that I grow wend'rous faint: with tears of my complaint. with anguish of my heart, and would my soul subvert.

that work iniquity; of my complaint and cry. and pray'r of my sad heart, and took it in good part. the Lord will soon defame,

with great rebuke and shame.

#### PSALM VII. T. S.

Lord my God, I put my trust Save me from them that me pursue, 2 Lest like a lion he me tear,

While there is none to succour me, 3 O Lord my God, if I have done

Or else if I be found in fault, 4 Or to my friend rewarded ill,

Who me pursu'd most cruelly, 5 Then let my foe pursue my soul,

Unto the earth, and also lay 6 Stand up, O Lord, in wrath, because Unto the judgement rise for me

7 Then shall great nations come to thee, If thou declare, for love of them,

8 And as thou art of all men Judge, According to my righteousness

and confidence in thee: and still deliver me: and rend in pieces small, and rid me out of thrall. the thing that is not right; or guilty in thy sight; or left him in distress, and hated me causeless: let him my life down thrust my honour in the dust. my foes do rage so fast; which thou commanded hast. and know thee by this thing, thyself as Lord and King. O Lord, now judge thou me, and my integrity.

#### The Second Part.

9 Lord, cease the bate of wicked men, By whom the secrets of all hearts

10 I take my help to come of God, Who doth preserve all those that he

11 The just man and the wicked both So that he feels his mighty hand 12 Except he change his mind, I die;

He whets his sword, he bends his bow, 13 And doth prepare his mortal darts,

For them that do me persecute,

and be the just man's guide; are searched and descry'd. in all my pain and smart; of pure and perfect heart. God judgeth by his pow'r; e'en ev'ry day and hour. for e'en as he thinks fit, aiming where he may hit: his arrows keen and sharp, and do on mischief harp.

#### PSALM VIII, 1X.

14 But lo, though he in travail be And of his mischief once conceiv'd,

15 He digs a ditch, and makes it deep, But he shall fall into the pit

16 Thus wrong returneth to the hurt And all the mischief that he wrought

17 I will give thanks to God therefore, that judgeth righteously;
And with my song will praise the Name of him that is most high.

of his dev'lish forecast, yet brings forth nought at last, in hopes to hurt his brother; that he digg'd up for other. of him in whom it bred; shall fall on his own head. that judgeth righteously; of him that is most high.

#### PSALM VIII. T. S.

O God our Lord, how wonderful Thy fame surmounts in dignity

, 2 E'en by the mouth of sucking babes For in those babes thy might is seen, 3 And when I see the heaving above.

The sun, the moon, and all the stars, 4 Lord, what is man, that thou of him

Or what the son of man, whom thou

5 For thou hast made him little less And thou hast also crowned him

6 Thou hast preferr'd him to be lord Hast in subjection unto him

7 As sheep, and neat, and all beasts else Fowls of the air, fish of the sea,

8 O God our Lord, how excellent In all the earth! therefore do we

are thy works ev'ry where! the highest heav'ns that are. thou wilt confound thy foes; thy graces they disclose. the work of thine own hand, in order as they stand; tak'st such abundant care! to visit dost not spare! than angels in degree : with glorious diguity. of all thy works, and thou put all things here below; that in the fields do feed, and all that therein breed. is thy most glorious Name praise and adore the same.

#### PSALM IX. T.S.

WITH heart and mouth to thee, O Lord, will I sing laud and praise;
And speak of all thy wond'rous works, and them declare always.

2 I will be glad and much rejoice And make my songs extol thy Name

3 Because my foes are driven back They do fall down, and are destroy'd

4 Thou hast avenged all my wrong, Thou dost with justice hear my cause,

5 Thou dost rebuke the heathen folk, That afterwards the memory

6 Destructions to an end are come, With them likewise is perished

7 Know thou, that he who is above And in the seat of equity

8 With justice be will keep and guide And so will yield with equity

 He is protector of the poor, He is in all adversity

10 And they that know thy holy Name, For thou forsakest not their suit

in thee, O God most high, above the starry sky; and turned unto flight: by thy great pow'r and might. my grief and all my grudge; most like a righteous judge. and wicked so confound. of them cannot be found. and cities overthrown; their fame and great renown. for evermore shall reign, true judgement will maintain. the world, and every wight; to every man his right. what time they be opprest; their refuge and their rest. therefore shall trust in thee; in their necessity.

#### The Second Part.

11 Sing psalms therefore unto the Lord, Among the people all declare

12 For he is mindful of the blood Forgetting not the humble man who dwells on Sion hill; his noble acts and will, of them that be opprest, that seeks to him for rest.

#### PSALM X.

13 Have mercy, Lord, on me, because Who from the gates of death art wont

14 In Sion that I may set forth And that in thy salvation great

15 The heathen stick fast in the pit, And in the net that they did hide

16 By judgements great the Lord is known, And fast entangled in the work

17 The wicked and deceitful men And all the people of the world

18 But sure the Lord will not forget The patient people never look

19 O Lord, arise, lest men prevail, And let the heathen folk receive

20 Lord, strike such terror, fear, and dread, into their hearts, and then They will be forced to confess themselves to be but men.

my foes do yet remain;
to raise me up again;
thy praise with heart and voice;
my soul may still rejoice.
which they themselves prepar'd;
their own feet are ensnar'd.
, whilst wicked men are caught,
which their own hands have wrought.
go down to hell below;
that God refuse to know.
the poor man's grief and pain;
for help of him in vain.
that be of worldly might;
their judgement in thy sight,
d, into their hearts, and then
themselves to be but men.

#### PSALM X. T.S.

WHAT is the cause that thou, O Lord, so far off now dost stand?
Why hidest thou thy face in time when trouble is at hand?

2 The poor do perish by the proud Let them be taken in the craft

3 For in the last of his own heart So doth the wicked praise himself,

4 He is so proud, that right and wrong Nay, nay, there is no God, saith he,

5 Because his ways do prosper still, And with a blast doth puff against

6 Tush, tush, saith be, I have no dread, And why? for all adversity

7 His mouth is full of cursedness, Under his tongue there nothing is

8 He lieth hid in ways and holes Against the poor that pass by him

9 And, like a lion, privily

That he may snare them in his net,

10 With cunning craft and subtilty So are great heaps of poor men made

and wicked men's desire; which they themselves conspire. th' ungodly doth delight; and doth the Lord despite. he setteth all apart; for thus be thinks in heart. he doth thy laws neglect; such as would him correct. lest my estate should change; to him is very strange. of fraud, deceit, and guile; but what is base and vile. to slay the innocent; his cruel eyes are bent. Lies lurking in his den, and speil poor barmless men. be croucheth down alway; by his strong pow'r a prey.

#### The Second Part.

11 Tush, God forgetteth this, saith he, His countenance is cast aside,

12 Arise, O Lord our God, in whom Lift up thy hand, do not forget

13 Why should the proud and wicked man Whilst in his heart he crieth, Tush,

14 But thou seest all their wickedness, That friendless and poor fatherless

15 Of wicked and malicious men That they with their iniquity

16 The Lord doth reign for evermore And he will chase out of the land therefore I may be bold; he doth it not behold. the poor man's hope doth rest; the poor that be opprest. blaspheme God's holy Name? God cares not for the same. and well dost understand, are left into thy hand. then break the pow'r alway; may perish and decay. as King and God alone; the heathen folk each one.