

## Sonnet 50: Long languishing

Wednesday, March 13, 1594

Morning Prayer: Psa 62-4; Jos 7; Luk 24

Evening Prayer: Psa 65-67; Jos 8; 1Th 4

### *Morning Prayer: Psalms 62-64*

#### P S A L. L X I I.

¶ *To the excellent musician Ieduthun. A Psalm of David.*

**Y**Et my soule kepeth silence vnto God: of him cometh my  
saluacion.

2 Yet he is my strength and my saluacion, & my defence:

*therefore* I shal not much be moued.

3 How long wil ye imagine mischief against a man? ye shalbe all  
slaine: ye *shalbe* as a bowed wall, *or* as a wall shaken.

4 Yet they consulte to cast him downe from his dignitie: their  
delite is in lies, thei blesse with their mouthes, but curse with their  
hearts. Selah.

5 Yet my soule kepe thou silence vnto God: for mine hope *is* in  
him.

6 Yet is he my strength, & my saluacion, & my defence: *therefore*  
I shal not be moued.

7 In God *is* my saluacion and my glorie, the rocke of my strength:  
in God is my trust.

8 Trust in him alwaie, ye people: powre out your hearts before  
him, *for* God *is* our hope. Selah.

9 Yet the children of men *are* vanitie, the chiefe men *are* lies: to  
lay them vpon a balance thei are altogether lighter then vanitie.

10 Trust not in oppression nor in roberie: be not vaine: if riches  
increase, set not your heart thereon.

11 God spake once or twice, I haue heard it, that power *belongeth*  
vnto God,

12 And to thee, ô Lord, mercie: for thou rewardest euerie one  
according to his worke.

P S A L. L X I I I.

¶ *A Psalm of Dauid. When he was in the wildernes of Iudah.*

**O** God, thou art my God, early wil I seke thee: my soule  
thirsteth for thee: my flesh longeth greatly after thee in a  
baren and drye land without water.

2 Thus I beholde thee *as* in the Sanctuarie, when I beholde thy  
power & thy glorie.

3 For thy louing kindnes *is* better then life: *therefore* my lippes  
shal praise thee.

4 Thus wil I magnifie thee *all* my life, *and* lift vp mine hands in  
thy Name.

5 My soule shal be satisfied, as with marow and fatnes, and my  
mouth shal praise *thee* with ioyful lippes,

6 When I remember thee on my bed, & *when* I thinke vpon thee  
in the *night* watches.

7 Because thou hast bene mine helper, therefore vnder the  
shadow of thy wings wil I reioyce.

8 My soule cleaueth vnto thee: *for* thy right hand vpholdeth me.

9 Therefore they that seke my soule to destroy it, they shal go into  
the lowest partes of the earth.

10 They shal cast him downe with the edge of the sworde, & thei  
shal be a portion for foxes.

11 But the King shal reioyce in God, *and* all that sweare by him  
shall reioyce *in him*: for the mouth of them that speake lies, shal be  
stopped.

PSAL. LXIIII.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalm of Dauid.*

**H**Eare my voyce, ô God, in my praier: preserue my life from feare of theemie.

2 Hide me from the conspiracie of the wicked, *and* from the rage of the workers of iniquitie.

3 Which haue whet their tongue like a sworde, and shot *for* their arrowes bitter wordes:

4 To shote at the vpriht in secret: thei shote at him suddenly, and feare not.

5 Thei encourage them selues *in* a wicked purpose: thei commune together to laie snares priuelie, *and* saie, Who shall se them?

6 They haue sought out iniquities, *and* haue accomplished that which they sought out, euen euery one *his* secret *thoughts*, and the depth of *his* heart.

7 But God will shote an arrow at them suddenly: their strokes shalbe *at once*.

8 Thei shal cause their owne tongue to fall vpon them: *and* whosoeuer shall se them, shal flee awaie.

9 And all men shall se it, and declare the worke of God, and thei shall vnderstand, what he hathe wrought.

10 *But* the righteous shal be glad in the Lord, & trust in him: and all that are vpriht of heart, shal reioyce.

***Morning Prayer: 1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: Joshua 7***

CHAP. VII.

**B**Vt the children of Israel committed a trespasse in the excommunicate thing: for Achan the sonne of Carmi, the

sonne of Zabdi, the sonne of Zerah of the tribe of Iuda toke of the excommunicate thing: wherefore the wrath of the Lord was kindled against the children of Israel.

2 And Ioshua sent men from Iericho to Ai, which is beside Bethauen, on ye Eastside of Beth-el, and spake vnto them, saying, Go vp, and vewe the countrey. And the men went vp, and vewed Ai,

3 And returned to Ioshua, and said vnto him, Let not all the people go vp, *but* let as it were two or thre thousand men go vp, & smite Ai, and make not al the people to labour thether, for they are fewe.

4 So there went vp thether of the people about thre thousand men, & they fled before the men of Ai.

5 And the men of Ai smote of them vpon a thirtie and six men: for they chased them from before the gate vnto Shebarim, and smote them in the going downe: wherefore the heartes of the people melted away like water.

6 ¶ Then Ioshua rent his clothes, and fel to the earth vpon his face before the Arke of the Lord, vntil the euentide, he, and the Elders of Israel, and put dust vpon their heades.

7 And Ioshua said, Alas, ô Lord God, wherefore hast thou brought this people ouer Iorden, to deliuer vs into the hand of the Amorites, and to destroy vs? wolde God we had bene content to dwel on the other side Iorden.

8 Oh Lord, what shal I say, when Israel turne their backes before their enemies?

9 For the Canaanites, and all the inhabitants of the land shal heare of it, and shal compasse vs, and destroy our name out of the earth: and what wilt thou do vnto thy mightie Name?

10 ¶ And the Lord said vnto Ioshua, Get thee vp . wherefore liest thou thus vpon thy face?

11 Israel hathe sinned, and they haue transgressed my couenant, which I commanded them. for thei haue euen taken of the excommunicate thing, and haue also stollen, and dissembled also, & haue put it euen with their owne stuffe.

12 Therefore ye children of Israel can not stande before their enemies, *but* haue turned their backes before their enemies, because they be execrable: nether wil I be with you anie more, except ye destroy the excommunicate from among you.

13 Vp *therefore*, sanctifie the people, and say, Sanctifie your selues against tomorowe. for thus saith the Lord God of Israel, *There is* an execrable thing among you, ô Israel, *therefore* ye can not stand against your enemies, vntil ye haue put the execrable thing from among you.

14 In the morning therefore ye shal come according to your tribes, and the tribe which the Lord taketh, shal come according to the families: & the familie which the Lorde shal take, shal come by the houtholds: & the houtholde which the Lord shal take, shal come man by man.

15 And he that is taken with the excommunicate thing, shalbe burnt with fire, he, & all that he hathe, because he hathe transgressed the couenant of the Lord, and because he hathe wrought foly in Israel.

16 ¶ So Ioshua rose vp earely in the morning & broght Israel by their tribes: and the tribe of Iudah was taken.

17 And he broght the families of Iudah, & toke the familie of the Zarhites, and he broght the familie of the Za hites, man by man, and Zabdi was taken.

18 And he broght his houtholde, man by man, and Achan the sonne of Carmi, the sonne of Zabdi, the sonne of Zerah of the tribe of Iudah was taken.

19 Then Ioshua said vnto Achan, My sonne I besече thee, giue glorie to the Lord God of Israel, and make confession vnto him, and sh we me now what thou hast done: hide it not from me.

20 And Achan answered Ioshua, and said, In dede, I haue sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and thus, and thus haue I done.

21 I saw among the spoyle a goodly Babylonish garment, & two hundreth shekels of siluer, and a wedge of golde of fyftie shekels weight, and I coueted them, and toke them: and beholde, they lye hid in the earth in the middes of my tent, & the siluer vnder it.

22 ¶ Then Ioshua sent messengers, which ran vnto the tent, and beholde, it was hid in his tent, and the siluer vnder it.

23 Therefore they toke them out of the tent, and broght them vnto Ioshua, and vnto all the children of Israel, and layed them before the Lord.

24 Then Ioshua tooke Achan the sonne of Zerah, and the siluer, and the garment and the wedge of golde and his sonnes, & his daughters, and his oxen, and his asses, and his shepe, and his tent, and all that he had: and all Israel with him broght them vnto the valley of Achor.

25 And Ioshua said, In as muche as thou hast troubled vs, the Lord shal trouble thee this day: and all Israel threwe stones at him, and burned them with fire, & stoned them with stones.

26 And they cast vpon him a great heape of stones vnto this day: and so the Lord tu ned from his feerce wrath: therefore he called the name of that place, The valley of Achor, vnto this day.

### ***Morning Prayer: 2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Luke 24***

#### C H A P. X X I I I I.

**N**ow the first *day* of the weke early in the morning, they came vnto the sepulchre, and broght the odores, which they

had prepared, & certeine *women* with them.

2 And they founde the stone rolled away from the sepulchre,

3 And went in, but founde not the bodie of the Lord Iesus.

4 And it came to passe, that as they were amased thereat, beholde, two men suddenly stode by them in shining vestures.

5 And as they were afrayed, and bowed downe their faces to the earth, they said to them, Why seke ye him that liueth, among the dead?

6 He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake vnto you, when he was yet in Galile,

7 Saying, that the sonne of man must be deliuered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third daye rise againe.

8 And they remembred his wordes,

9 And returned from the sepulchre, & tolde all these things vnto the eleuen, and to all the remnant.

10 Now it was Mary Magdalene, & Ioanna, & Mary the *mother* of Iames, & other women with them, which tolde these things vnto the Apostles.

11 But their wordes semed vnto them, as a fained thing, nether beleued they them.

12 Then arose Peter, and ran vnto the sepulchre, and loked in, and sawe the linnen clothes laid by themselues, & departed wondering in him self at that which was come to passe.

13 ¶ And beholde, two of them went that same day to a towne which was from Ierusalem about thre score furlongs, called Emmaus.

14 And they talked together of all these things that were done.

15 And it came to passe, as they communed together, and reasoned, that Iesus him self drewe nere, and went with them.

16 But their eyes were holden, that they colde not knowe him.

- 17 And he said vnto them, What maner of communications are these that ye haue one to another as ye walke and are sad?
- 18 And the one (named Cleopas) answered and said vnto him, Art thou onely a stranger in Ierusalem, & hast not knowen the things which are come to passe therein in these dayes?
- 19 And he said vnto them, What things? And they said vnto him, Of Iesus of Nazaret, which was a Prophet, mightie in dede and in worde before God, and all people,
- 20 And how the hie Priests, and our rulers deliuered him to be condemned to death, and haue crucified him.
- 21 But we trusted that it had bene he that shulde haue deliuered Israel, and as touching all these things, to day is ye third day, that they were done.
- 22 Yea, and certeine women among vs made vs astonied, which came early vnto the sepulchre.
- 23 And when they found not his bodie, they came, saying, that they had also sene a vision of Angels, which said that he was aliue.
- 24 Therefore certaine of them which were with vs, went to the sepulchre, and founde it euen so as the women had said, but him they sawe not.
- 25 Then he said vnto them, O fooles and slowe of heart to beleue all that the Prophetes haue spoken,
- 26 Oght not Christ to haue suffred these things, and to enter into his glorie?
- 27 And he began at Moses, & at all the Prophetes, and interpreted vnto them in all the Scriptures the things which were *written* of him.
- 28 And they drew nere vnto the towne, which they went to, but he made as thogh he wolde haue gone further.



29 But they constrained him, saying, Abide with vs. for it is towards night, and the day is farre spent. So he went in to tarie with them.

30 And it came to passe, as he sate at table with them, he toke the bread, and gaue thanks, and brake it, and gaue it to them.

31 Then their eyes were opened, & thei knewe him: but he was taken out of their sight.

32 And they said betwene them selues, Did not our hearts burne within vs, while he talked with vs by the way, and when he opened to vs the Scriptures?

33 And they rose vp the same houre, and returned to Ierusalem, and founde the Eleuen gathered together, and them that were with them,

34 Which said, The Lord is risen in dede, and hathe appeared to Simon.

35 Then they tolde what things *were* done in the way, and how he was knowen of them in breaking of bread.

36 ¶ And as they spake these things, Iesus him self stode in the middes of them, and said vnto them, Peace *be* to you.

37 But they were abashed & afraid, supposing that they had sene a spirit.

38 Then he said vnto them, Why are ye troubled? and wherefore do doutes arise in your hearts?

39 Beholde mine handes and my fete: for it is I my self: handle me, and se: for a spirit hathe not flesh & bones, as ye se me haue.

40 And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them *his* hands and fete.

41 And while they yet beleued not for ioye, and wondered, he said vnto them, Haue ye here any meat?

42 And they gaue him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honie combe,

43 And he toke it, & did eat before them.

44 And he said vnto them, These are the wordes, which I spake vnto you while I was yet with you, that all must be fulfilled which are written of me in the Law of Moses, and in the Prophetes, and in the Psalmes.

45 Then opened he their vnderstanding, that they might vnderstand the Scriptures,

46 And said vnto them, Thus is it written, and thus it behoued Christ to suffre, & to rise againe from the dead the thirde day,

47 And that repentance, and remission of sinnes shulde be preached in his Name among all nacions, beginning at Ierusalem.

48 Now ye are witnesses of these things.

49 And beholde, I wil send the promes of my Father vpon you: but tary ye in the citie of Ierusalem, vntil ye be endued with power from an hie.

50 Afterwarde he led them out into Bethania, and lift vp his hands, & blessed them.

51 And it came to passe, that as he blessed them, he departed from them, and was caryed vp into heauen.

52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Ierusalem with great ioye,

53 And were continually in the Temple, praising, and lauding God, Amen.

### ***Evening Prayer: Psalms 65-67***

P S A L. L X V.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psalme or song of Dauid.*

**O** God, praise waiteth for thee in Zion, & vnto thee shal the vowe be performed.

2 *Because thou* hearest the praier, vnto thee shal all flesh come.

- 3 Wicked dedes haue preuailed against me: *but* thou wilt be merciful vnto our transgressions.
- 4 Blessed *is he, whome* thou chusest and causest to come *to thee*: he shal dwell in thy courts, *and* we shal be satisfied with the pleasures of thine House, *euen* of thine holie Temple.
- 5 O God of our saluacion, thou wilt answer vs with feareful *signes* in *thy* righteousnes, *ô thou* the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are farre of in the sea.
- 6 He stablisheth the mountaines by his power: and is girded about with strength.
- 7 He appeaseth the noise of the seas *and* the noise of the waues thereof, and the tumultes of the people.
- 8 Thei also, that dwell in the vttermost parts *of the earth*, shalbe afraid of thy signes: thou shalt make the East and the West to reioyce.
- 9 Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou makest it very riche: the Riuer of God is ful of water: thou preparest them corne: for so thou appointest it.
- 10 Thou waterest abundantly the forrowes thereof: thou causest *the raine* to descend into the valleis thereof: thou makest it soft with showres, & blessest the bud thereof.
- 11 Thou crownest the yere with thy goodnes, and thy steps drop fatnes.
- 12 They drop *vpon* the pastures of the wildernes: & the hils shal be compassed with gladnes.
- 13 The pastures are clad with shepe: the valleis also shal be couered with corne: *therefore* they showte for ioye, and sing.

P S A L. L X V I.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A song or Psalme.*

**R**Ejoyce in God, all ye *inhabitants* of the earth.

2 Sing forthe the glorie of his Name: make his praise glorious.

3 Saie vnto God, Howe terrible art thou *in* thy workes! through the greatnes of thy power shal thine enemies be in subiection vnto thee.

4 All the worlde shall worship thee, & sing vnto thee, *euen* sing of thy Name. Selah.

5 Come and beholde the workes of God: he is terrible in *his* doing toward the sonnes of men.

6 He hathe turned the Sea into drye land: thei passe through the riuier on fote: there did we reioyce in him.

7 He ruleth the worlde with his power: his eies beholde the nations: the rebellious shall not exalt them selues. Selah.

8 Praise our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard.

9 Which holdeth our soules in life, and suffereth not our fete to slippe.

10 For thou, ô God, hast proued vs, thou hast tryed vs as siluer is tryed.

11 Thou hast broght vs into the snare, & laied a strait *chaine* vpon our loins.

12 Thou hast caused men to ride ouer our heades: we went into fyre and into water, but thou broghest vs out into a welthie place.

13 I wil go into thine House with burnt offrings, & will paie thee my vowes,

14 Which my lippes haue promised, & my mouth hathe spoken in mine affliction.

15 I wil offer vnto thee the burnt offrings of fat rams with incense: I wil prepare bullockes and goates. Selah.

16 Come & hearken, all ye that feare God, & I wil tel you what he hathe done to my soule.

17 I called vnto him with my mouth, and he was exalted with my tongue.

18 If I regarde wickednes in mine heart, the Lord will not heare me.

19 But God hathe heard *me*, & considered the voice of my prayer.

20 Praised *be* God, which hathe not put backe my praier, nor his mercie from me.

#### PSAL. LXVII.

¶ *To him that excelleth on Neginoth. A Psal. or song.*

**G**od be merciful vnto vs, and blesse vs, & cause his face to shine among vs. Selah.

2 That they maie know thy waie vpon earth, & thy sauing health among all nations.

3 Let the people praise thee, ô God: let all the people praise thee.

4 Let the people be glad and reioyce: for thou shalt iudge the people righteously, & gouerne the nations vpon the earth. Selah.

5 Let the people praise thee, ô God: let all the people praise thee.

6 *Then* shal the earth bring forthe her increase, & God, *euen* our God shal blesse vs.

7 God shal blesse vs, and all the ends of the earth shal feare him.

### ***Evening Prayer: 1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: Joshua 8***

#### CHAP. VIII.

**A**fter, the Lord said vnto Ioshua, Feare not, nether be thou faint hearted: take all the men of warre with thee and arise, go vp to Ai: beholde, I haue giuen into thine hand the King of Ai, and his people, and his citie, and his land.

2 And thou shalt do to Ai and to the King thereof, as thou didest vnto Iericho and to the King thereof. neuertheles the spoyle thereof and the cattel thereof shal ye take vnto you for a pray: thou shalt lie in wait against the citie on the backside thereof.

3 ¶ Then Ioshua a ose, and all the men of warre to goe vp against Ai: and Ioshua chose out thirtie thousand strong men, *and* valiant, and sent them away by night.

4 And he commanded them, saying, Beholde, ye shal lye in wait against the citie on the backside of the citie: goe not very far from the citie, but be ye all in a readines.

5 And I and all the people that are with me, wil approche vnto the citie: and when they shal come out against vs, as they did at the first time, then wil we flee before them.

6 For they wil come out after vs, till we haue broght them out of the citie: for they wil say, They flee before vs as at the first time: so we wil flee before them.

7 Then you shal rise vp from lying in wait and destroy the citie: for the Lord your God wil deliuer it into your hand.

8 And when ye haue taken the citie, ye shall set it on fire: according to the commandement of the Lord shall ye do: beholde, I haue charged you.

9 ¶ Ioshua then sent them forthe, and they went to lie in wait, and abode betweene Beth-el and Ai, on the Westside of Ai: but Ioshua lodged that night among the people.

10 And Ioshua rose vp early in the morning, and nombred the people: and he and the Elders of Israel went vp before the people *against* Ai.

11 Also all the men of warre that were with him went vp & drue nere, and came against the citie, & pitched on the Northside of Ai: and there was a valley betweene them and Ai.

12 And he toke about fiue thousand men, & set them to lie in wayte betweene Beth-el & Ai, on the Westside of the citie.

13 And the people set all the hoste that was on the Northside against the citie, & the liers in wayte on the West, against the citie: & Ioshua went the same night into the middes of the valley.

14 ¶ And when the King of Ai sawe it, then the men of the citie hasted & rose vp early, and went out against Israel to battel, he and all his people at the time appointed, before the plaine: for he knewe not that *anie* lay in waite against him on the backside of the citie.

15 Then Ioshua and all Israel *as* beaten before them, fled by the way of the wildernes.

16 And all the people of the citie were called together, to pursue after them: & they pursued after Ioshua, & were drawn away out of the city,

17 So that there was not a man left in Ai, nor in Beth-el, that went not out after Israel: and they left the citie open, & pursued after Israel.

18 Then the Lord said vnto Ioshua, Stretch out the speare that is in thine hande, towarde Ai: for I wil giue it into thine hand: and Ioshua stretched out the speare that he had in his hand, towarde the citie.

19 And thei that lay in waite, arose quickly out of their place, & ran assone as he had stretched out his hand, and they entred into the citie, and toke it, and hasted, and set the citie on fire.

20 And the men of Ai loked behinde them, & sawe it: for lo, the smoke of the citie ascended vp to heauen, and they had no power to flee this way or that way: for the people that fled to the wildernes, turned backe vpon the pursuers.

21 When Ioshua and all Israel sawe that they that lay in waite, had taken the citie, & that the smoke of the citie mounted vp, then they turned againe and slewe the men of Ai.

22 Also the other issued out of the citie against them: so were they in the middes of Israel, these *being* on the one side, & the rest on the other side. & they slewe them, so that they let none of them remaine nor escape.

23 And the King of Ai they toke aliue, & broght him to Ioshua.

24 And when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, *that is*, in the wildernes, where they chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sworde, vntil they were consumed, all the Israelites returned vnto Ai, & smote it with the edge of the sworde.

25 And all that fel that day, bothe of men and women, were twelue thousand, euen all the men of Ai.

26 For Ioshua drewe not his hand backe againe which he had stretched out with the speare, vntil he had vtterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.

27 Onely the cattel & the spoyle of this citie, Israel toke for a pray vnto them selues, according vnto the worde of the Lorde, which he commanded Ioshua.

28 And Ioshua burnt Ai, and made it an heape for euer, & a wildernes vnto this day.

29 And the King of Ai he hanged on a tre, vnto the euening. And assone as the sunne was downe, Ioshua commanded that they shulde take his carkeis downe from the tre, and cast it at the entring of the gate of the citie, and lay thereon a great heape of stones, *that remaineth* vnto this day.

30 ¶ Then Ioshua built an altar vnto the Lord God of Israel, in mount Ebal,

31 As Moses the seruant of the Lord had commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the boke of the Lawe of Moses, an altar of whole stone, ouer which no man had lift an yron and they offred thereon burnt offrings vnto the Lord, & sacrificed peace offrings.



32 Also he wrote there vpon the stones, a rehearsal of the Lawe of Moses, which he wrote in the presence of the children of Israel.

33 And all Israel (and their Elders, and officers & their iudges stode on this side of the Arke, and on that side, before the Priests of the Leuites, which bare the Arke of the couenant of the Lord) aswel the stranger, as he that is borne in the countrey: halfe of them *were* ouer against mount Gerizim, and halfe of them ouer against mount Ebal, as Moses the seruant of the Lord had commanded before, that they shulde blesse the people of Israel.

34 Then afterward he read all the wordes of the Lawe, the blessings and cursings, according to all that is written in the boke of the Lawe.

35 There was not a worde of all that Moses had commanded, which Ioshua red not before all the Congregacion of Israel, aswel *before* the women and the children, as the stranger that was conuersant among them.

### ***Evening Prayer: 2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: 1Thessalonians 4***

#### C H A P. I I I I.

**A**Nd furthermore we beseche you, brethren, & exhorte you in the Lord Iesus, that ye increase more and more, as ye haue receiued of vs, how ye oght to walke, and to please God.

2 For ye knowe what commandements we gaue you by the Lord Iesus.

3 For this is the wil of God *euen* your sanctification, & that ye shulde abstaine from fornication,

4 That euerie one of you should know, how to possesse his vessel in holines and honour,

5 And not in the lust of concupiscence, euen as the Gentiles which knowe not God:

6 That no man oppresse or defraude his brother in any matter: for the Lord *is* a venger of all suche things, as we also haue tolde you before time and testified.

7 For God hathe not called vs vnto vnclennes, but vnto holines.

8 He therefore that despiseth *these things*, despiseth not man, but God who hathe euen giuen you his holie Spirit.

9 But as touching brotherlie loue, ye nede not that I write vnto you: for ye are taught of God to loue one another.

10 Yea, & that thing verely ye do vnto all the brethren, which are throughout all Macedonia: but we beseche you, brethren, that ye increase more and more,

11 And that ye studie to be quiet, and to medle with your owne busines, & to worke with your owne hands, as we commanded you,

12 That ye may behaue your selues honestly towarde them that are without, & that nothing be lacking vnto you.

13 ¶ I wolde not, brethren, haue you ignorant concerning them which are a slepe, that ye sorowe not euen as other which haue no hope.

14 For if we beleue that Iesus is dead, and is risen, euen so them which slepe in Iesus, wil God bring with him.

15 For this say we vnto you by the worde of the Lord, that we which liue, & are remaining in the comming of the Lord, shal not preuent them which slepe.

16 For the Lord him self shall descende from heauen with a showte, & with the voyce of the Archangel & with the trumpet of God: and the dead in Christ shal rise first.

17 Then shal we which liue and remaine, be caught vp with them also in the clouds, to mete the Lord in the ayer: & so shal we euer be with the Lord.

18 Wherefore, comfort your selues one another with these wordes.

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