

## Sonnet 74: Most happy letters fram'd

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Morning Prayer: Psa 30-1; 1Sa 16; Act 3

Evening Prayer: Psa 32-34; 1Sa 17; Heb 8

### *Morning Prayer: Psalms 30-31*

P S A L. X X X.

¶ *A Psalme or song of the dedication  
of the house of Dauid.*

**I** Wil magnifie thee, ô Lord: for thou hast exalted me, and hast  
not made my foe to reioyce ouer me.

2 O Lord my God, I cryed vnto thee, and thou hast restored me.

3 O Lord, thou hast broght vp my soule out of the graue: thou  
hast reuiued me from them that goe downe into the pit.

4 Sing praises vnto the Lord, ye his Saints, and giue thanks  
before the remembrance of his Holines.

5 *For he endureth but a while in his angre: but in his fauour is*  
life: weping may abide at euening, but ioye *cometh* in the morning.

6 And in my prosperitie I said, I shal neuer be moued.

7 *For* thou Lord of thy goodnes hadest made my mountaine to  
stand strong: *but* thou didest hide thy face, and I was troubled.

8 *Then* cryed I vnto thee, ô Lord, and prayed to my Lord.

9 What profit *is there* in my blood, when I go downe to the pit?  
shal the dust giue thanks vnto thee? or shal it declare thy trueth?

10 Heare, ô Lord, and haue mercie vpon me: Lord, be thou mine  
helper.

11 Thou hast turned my mourning into ioy: thou hast loosed my  
sacke & girded me with gladnes.

12 Therefore shal *my* tongue praise thee and not cease: ô Lord my God, I will giue thanks vnto thee for euer.

P S A L. X X X I.

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

**I**N thee, ô Lord, haue I put my trust: let me neuer be confounded: deliuer me in thy righteousness.

2 Bowe downe thine eare to me: make haste to deliuer me: be vnto me a strong rocke, & an house of defence to saue me.

3 For thou art my rocke and my fortres: therefore for thy Names sake direct me & guide me.

4 Drawe mee out of the net, that they haue laid priuely for me: for thou art my strength.

5 Into thine hand I commende my spirit: *for* thou hast redeemed me, ô Lord God of trueth.

6 I haue hated them that giue them selues to deceitful vanities: for I trust in the Lord.

7 I wilbe glad and reioyce in thy mercie: for thou hast sene my trouble: thou hast knowen my soule in aduersities,

8 And thou hast not shut me vp in the hand of the enemye, *but* hast set my fete at large.

9 Haue mercie vpon mee, ô Lord: for I am in trouble: mine eye, my soule & my bellie are consumed with grief.

10 For my life is wasted with heauines, and my yeres with mourning: my strength faileth for my peine, and my bones are consumed.

11 I was a reproche among all mine enemies, but specially among my neighbours: and a feare to mine acquaintance, who seing me in the strete, fled from me.

12 I am forgotten, as a dead man out of minde: I am like a broken vessel.

- 13 For I haue heard the railing of great men: feare *was* on euerie side, while they conspired together against me, and consulted to take my life.
- 14 But I trusted in thee, ô Lord: I said, Thou art my God.
- 15 My times are in thine hande: 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 through thy mercie.
- 17 Let me not be confounded, ô Lord: for I haue called vpon thee: let the wicked be put to confusion, & to silence in the graue.
- 18 Let the lying lippes be made dumme, which cruelly, proudly & spitefully speake against the righteous.
- 19 How great is thy goodnes, which thou hast laied vp for them, that feare thee! & done to them, that trust in thee, *euen* before the sonnes of men!
- 20 Thou doest hide them priuely in thy presence from the pride of men: thou keepest them secretly in thy Tabernacle from the strife of tongues.
- 21 Blessed *be* the Lord: for he hathe shewed his maruelous kindenes towarde me in a strong citie.
- 22 Thogh I said in mine haste, I am cast out of thy sight, yet thou heardest the voyce of my praier, when I cryed vnto thee.
- 23 Loue ye the Lord all his Saints: *for* the Lord preserueth the faithful, and rewardeth abundantly the proude doer.
- 24 All ye that trust in the Lord, be strong, and he shal establish your heart.

***Morning Prayer: 1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: 1 Samuel 16***

**T**He Lord then said vnto Samuel, How long wilt thou mourne for Saul, seing I haue cast him away from reigning ouer Israel? fil thine horne with oyle and come, I wil send thee to Ishai the Bethlehemite: for I haue prouided me a King among his sonnes.

2 And Samuel said, How can I goe? for if Saul shal heare it, he wil kil me. Then the Lorde answered, Take an heifer with thee, & say, I am come to do sacrifice to the Lord.

3 And call Ishai to the sacrifice, and I wil shewe thee what thou shalt doe, & thou shalt anoint vnto me him whome I name vnto thee.

4 So Samuel did that the Lord bade him, & came to Beth-lehem, and the Elders of the towne were astonied at his comming, & said, Comcest thou peaceably?

5 And he answered, Yea: I am come to do sacrifice vnto the Lord: sanctifie your selues, & come with me to the sacrifice. And he sanctified Ishai and his sonnes, and called them to the sacrifice.

6 And when they were come, he loked on Eliab, and said, Surely the Lords Anointed is before him.

7 But the Lord said vnto Samuel, Loke not on his countenance, nor on the height of his stature, because I haue refused him: for *God seeth* not as man seeth: for man loketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord beholdeth the heart.

8 Then Ishai called Abinadab, & made him come before Samuel. And he said, Nether hathe the Lord chosen this.

9 Then Ishai made Shammah come. And he said, Nether yet hathe the Lord chosen him.

10 Againe Ishai made his seuen sonnes to come before Samuel: & Samuel said vnto Ishai, The Lord hath chosen none of these.

11 Finally Samuel said vnto Ishai, Are there no more children *but these*? And he said, There remaineth yet a litle one behinde, that

kepeth the shepe. Then Samuel saide vnto Ishai, Send and set him: for we wil not sit downe, til he be come hither.

12 And he sent, and broght him in: and he was ruddie, and of a good countinace, & comelie visage. And the Lord said, Arise, & anoint him: for this is he.

13 Then Samuel toke the horne of oyle, & anointed him in the middes of his brethren. And the Spirit of the Lord came vpon Daud, from that day forward: then Samuel rose vp, and went to Ramah.

14 ¶ But the Spirit of the Lord departed from Saul, and an euil spirit *sent* of the Lord vexed him.

15 And Sauls seruants said vnto him, Beholde now, the euil spirit of God vexeth thee.

16 Let our lord therefore commande thy seruants, *that are* before thee, to seke a man that is a conning player vpon the harpe: that when the euil spirit of God commeth vpon thee, he may playe with his hand, & thou maiest be eased.

17 Saul then said vnto his seruants, Prouide me a man, I pray you, that can play wel, & bring him to me.

18 Then answered one of his seruaunts, and said, Beholde, I haue sene a sonne of Ishai, a Bethlehemite, that can playe, & is strong, valiant & a man of warre & wise in matters, & a comely persone, & the Lord is with him.

19 ¶ Wherefore Saul sent messengers vnto Ishai, & said, Send me Daud thy sonne, which is with the shepe.

20 And Ishai toke an asse *laden* with bread & a flagon of wine & a kid, & sent them by the hand of Daud his sonne vnto Saul.

21 And Daud came to Saul, and stode before him: and he loued him verie wel, and he was his armour bearer.

22 And Saul sent to Ishai, saying, Let Daud now remaine with me: for he hathe found fauour in my sight.

23 And so when the *euil* spirit of God came vpon Saul, Dauid toke an harpe and plaid with his hand, & Saul was refreshed, & was eased: for the euil spirit departed from him.

### ***Morning Prayer: 2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Acts 3***

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

**N**ow Peter and Iohn went vp together into the Temple, at the ninthe houre of prayer.

2 And a certeine man which was a creple from his mothers wombe, was caryed, whom they laid daily at the gate of the Temple called Beautiful, to aske almes of them that entred into the Temple.

3 Who seing Peter and Iohn, that they wolde entre into the Temple, desired to receiue an almes.

4 And Peter earnestly beholding him with Iohn, said, Loke on vs.

5 And he gaue hede vnto them, trusting to receiue some thing of them.

6 Then said Peter, Siluer and golde haue I none, but suche as I haue, that giue I thee: In the Name of Iesus Christ of Nazaret, rise vp and walke.

7 And he toke him by the right hand, and lift *him* vp, and immediatly his fete and ancle bones receiued strength.

8 And he leaped vp, stode, and walked, and entred with them into the Temple, walking and leaping, and praising God.

9 And all the people sawe him walke, and praising God.

10 And thei knewe him, that it was he which sate for the almes at the Beautifull gate of the Temple: and they were amased, and sore astonied at that, which was come vnto him.

11 ¶ And as the creple which was healed, helde Peter and Iohn, all the people ran amased vnto them in the porch which is called Solomons.

12 So when Peter sawe it, he answered vnto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marueile ye at this? or why loke ye so stedfastly on vs, as thogh by our owne power or godlines, we had made this man go?

13 The G O D of Abraham, and Isaac, and Iacob, the G O D of our fathers hathe glorified his Sonne Iesus, whome ye betrayed, and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had iudged him to be deliuered.

14 But ye denyed the holie one & the iust, and desired a murtherer to be giuen you,

15 And killed the Lord of life, whome God hathe raised from the dead, whereof we are witnesses.

16 And his Name hathe made this man sounde, whome ye se, and knowe, through faith in his Name: & the faith which is by him, hathe giuen to him this disposition of his whole bodie in the presence of you all.

17 And now brethren, I knowe that through ignorance ye did it, as *did* also your gouerners.

18 But those things which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his Prophetes, that Christ shulde suffre, he hathe thus fulfilled.

19 Amend your liues therefore, and turne, that your sinnes may be put away, when the time of refreshing shal come from the presence of the Lord.

20 And he shal send Iesus Christ, which before was preached vnto you.

21 Whome the heauen must containe vntil the time that all things be restored, which God had spoken by the mouth of all his holie Prophetes since the worlde began.

22 For Moses said vnto the Fathers, The Lord your God shal raise vp vnto you a Prophet, *euen* of your brethren, like vnto me: ye shal heare him in all things, whatsoeuer he shal say vnto you.

23 For it shalbe that euerie person which shal not heare that Prophet, shalbe destroyed out of the people.

24 Also all the Prophetes from Samuel, and thence forthe as many as haue spoken, haue likewise foretolde of these dayes.

25 Ye are the children of the Prophetes, & of the couenant, which God hath made vnto our fathers, saying to Abraham, Euen in thy sede shal all the kinreds of the earth be blessed.

26 First vnto you hath God raised vp his Sonne Iesus, & him he hath sent to blesse you, in turning euerie one of you from your iniquities.

### ***Evening Prayer: Psalms 32-34***

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

¶ A Psalme of *Dauid* to give instruction.

**B**lessed *is* he whose wickednes is forgiuen, & whose sinne is couered.

2 Blessed *is* the man, vnto whome the Lord imputeth not iniquitie, & in whose spirit *there is* no guile.

3 When I helde my tongue, my bones consumed, *or* when I roared all the day,

4 (For thine hand is heauie vpon me, daie & night: & my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. Selah)

5 *Then* I acknowledged my sinne vnto thee, nether hid I mine iniquitie: *for* I thoght, I will confesse against my self my

wickednes vnto the Lord, and thou forgauest the punishment of my sinne. Selah.

6 Therefore shal euerie one, that is godlie, make his praier vnto thee in a time, when thou maiest be founde: surely in the flood of great waters they shal not come nere him.

7 Thou art my secret place: thou preseruest me from trouble: thou compassest me about with ioyful deliuerance. Selah.

8 I wil instruct thee, & teache thee in the way, that thou shalt go, & I will guide thee with mine eye.

9 Be ye not like an horse, *or* like a mule, *which* vnderstand not: whose mouthes thou doest binde with bit and bridel, lest they come nere thee.

10 Many sorowes *shal come* to the wicked: but he, that trusteth in the Lord, mercie shal compasse him.

11 Be glad ye righteous, & reioyce in the Lord, and be ioyful all ye, that are vpright in heart.

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

**R**Eioyce in the Lord, ô ye righteous: *for* it becometh vpright men to be thankful.

2 Praise the Lord with harpe: sing vnto him with viole & instrument of ten strings.

3 Sing vnto him a newe song: sing cherefully with a loude voyce.

4 For the worde of the Lord *is* righteous, and all his workes *are* faithful.

5 He loueth righteousnes & iudgement: the earth is ful of the goodnes of the Lord.

6 By the worde of the Lord were the heauens made, and all the hoste of them by the breath of his mouth.

7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together as vpon an heape, and laieth vp the depths in his treasures.

- 8 Let all the earth feare the Lord: let all them that dwel in the worlde, feare him.
- 9 For he spake, & it was done: he commanded, and it stode.
- 10 The Lord breaketh the counsel of the heathen, & bringeth to noight the deuises of the people.
- 11 The counsel of the Lord shal stand for euer, & the thoghts of his heart throughout all ages.
- 12 Blessed *is* that nacion, whose God is the Lord: *euen* the people, *that* he hathe chosen for his inheritance.
- 13 The Lorde loketh downe from heauen, & beholdeth all the children of men.
- 14 From the habitacion of his dwelling he beholdeth all them that dwel in the earth.
- 15 He facioneth their hearts euerie one, & vnderstandeth all their workes.
- 16 The King is not saued by the multitude of an hoste, *nether* is the mightie man deliuered by great strength.
- 17 A horse is a vaine helpe, and shal not deliuer *anie* by his great strength.
- 18 Beholde, the eye of the Lorde *is* vpon them that feare him, & vpon them, that trust in his mercie,
- 19 To deliuer their soules from death, and to preserue them in famine.
- 20 Our soule waiteth for the Lord: *for* he is our helpe and our shielde.
- 21 Surely our heart shal reioyce in him, because we trusted in his holie Name.
- 22 Let thy mercie, ô Lord, be vpon vs, as we trust in thee.

¶ A Psalme of *Dauid*, when he changed his behaviour before  
*Abimelech*, who drove him awaie, & he departed.

**I** Wil alwaie giue thankes vnto the Lord: his praise *shalbe* in my  
mouth continually.

2 My soule shal glorie in the Lord: the humble shal heare it, and  
be glad.

3 Praise ye the Lord with me, and let vs magnifie his Name  
together.

4 I soght the Lord, and he heard me: yea, he deliuered me out of  
all my feare.

5 They shall loke vnto him, and runne *to him*: and their faces shal  
not be ashamed, *saying*,

6 This poore man cryed, & the Lord heard *him*, and saued him out  
of all his troubles.

7 The Angel of the Lorde pitcheth rounde about them, that feare  
him, and deliuereth them.

8 Taste ye & se, how gracious the Lord is: blessed *is* the man that  
trusteth in him.

9 Feare the Lord, ye his Saints: for nothing wanteth to them that  
feare him.

10 The Lyons do lacke and suffer hungre, but they, which seke the  
Lord, shall want nothing that is good.

11 Come children, hearken vnto me: I will teache you the feare of  
the Lord.

12 What man is he, that desireth life, and loueth *long* daies for to  
se good?

13 Kepe thy tongue from euil, and thy lippes, that they speake no  
guile.

14 Eschewe euil and do good: seke peace & followe after it.

15 The eyes of the Lord *are* vpon the righteous, & his eares *are*  
*open* vnto their crye.

16 *But* the face of the Lord *is* against them that doe euil, to cut off their remembrance from the earth.

17 *The righteous* crye, and the Lorde heareth *them*, and deliuereth them out of all their troubles.

18 The Lord is nere vnto them that are of a contrite heart, and will saue suche as be afflicted in spirit.

19 Great are the troubles of the righteous: but the Lord deliuereth him out of them all.

20 He kepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.

21 *But* malice shal slay the wicked: & thei that hate the righteous, shal perish.

22 The Lord redemeth the soules of his seruants: & none, that trust in him, shal perish.

### ***Evening Prayer: 1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: 1 Samuel 17***

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

Now the Philistims gathered their armies to battel, and came together to Shochoh, which is in Iudah, & pitched betwene Shochoh and Azekah, in the coast of Dammim.

2 And Saul, and the men of Israel assembled, and pitched in the valley of Elah, and put them selues in battel array to mete the Philistims.

3 And the Philistims stode on a mountaine on the one side, and Israel stode on a mountaine on the other side: so a valley *was* betwene them.

4 ¶ Then came a man betwene them bothe out of the tentes of the Philistims, named Goliath of Gath: his height *was* six cubites and an hand breadth,

- 5 And had an helmet of brasse vpon his head, and a brigandine vpon him: and the weight of his brigandine *was* fiue thousand shekels of brasse.
- 6 And he had bootes of brasse vpon his legs, & a shield of brasse vpon his shoulders.
- 7 And the shafte of his speare *was* like a weauers beame: and his speare head *weyed* six hundreth shekels of yron: and one bearing a shilde went before him.
- 8 And he stode, and cryed against the hoste of Israel, and said vnto them, Why are ye come to set your battel in array? am not I a Philistim, and you seruants to Saul? chose you a man for you, & let him come downe to me.
- 9 If he be able to fight with me, and kil me, then wil we be your seruants: but if I ouercome him, and kil him, then shal ye be our seruants, and serue vs.
- 10 Also the Philistim said, I defie the hoste of Israel this day: giue me a man, that we may fight together.
- 11 When Saul and all Israel heard those wordes of the Philistim, they were discouraged, and greatly afrayed.
- 12 ¶ Nowe this Dauid *was* the sonne of an Ephrathite of Beth-lehem Iudah, named Ishai, which had eight sonnes: and this man was taken for an olde man in the daies of Saul.
- 13 And the three eldest sonnes of Ishai went and followed Saul to the battel: and the names of his thre sonnes that went to battel, *were* Eliab the eldest, & the next Abinadab, and the third Shammah.
- 14 So Dauid was the least: and the thre eldest went after Saul.
- 15 Dauid also went, but he returned from Saul to fede his fathers shepe in Beth-lehem.
- 16 And the Philistim drew nere in the morning, and euening, and continued fourtie daies.

17 And Ishai said vnto Dauid his sone, Take now for thy brethren an Ephah of this parched corne, and these ten cakes, and runne to the hoste to thy brethren.

18 Also cary these ten fresh cheses vnto the captaine, and loke how thy brethren fare, and receiue their pledge.

19 (Then Saul and they, and all the men of Israel were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistims)

20 ¶ So Dauid rose vp early in the morning, and left the shepe with a keper, and toke and went as Ishai had commanded him, & came within the compasse of the hoste: & the hoste went out in array, and showed in the battel.

21 For Israel and the Philistims had put them selues in array, armie against armie.

22 And Dauid left the things, which he bare, vnder the hands of the keper of the cariage, and ran into the hoste, & came, and asked his brethren how they did.

23 And as he talked with them, beholde, the man *that was* betwene the two *armies*, came vp, (whose name *was* Goliath the Philistim of Gath) out of the armie of the Philistims, and spake suche wordes, & Dauid heard them.

24 And all the men of Israel, when they sawe the man, ran away from him, & were sore afrayed.

25 For euery man of Israel said, Sawe ye not this man that cometh vp? euen to reuile Israel is he come vp: and to him that killeth him, wil the king giue great riches, and wil giue him his daughter, yea, and make his fathers house fre in Israel.

26 ¶ Then Dauid spake to the men that stode with him, and said, What shal be done to the man that killeth this Philistim, and taketh away the shame from Israel? for who is this vncircumcised Philistim, that he shulde reuile the hoste of the liuing God?

27 And the people answered him after this maner, saying, Thus shal it be done to the man that killeth him.

28 And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake vnto the men, & Eliab was very angry with Daud, and said, Why camest thou downe hether? and with whome hast thou left those fewe shepe in the wildernes? I knowe thy pride and the malice of thine heart, that thou art come downe to se the battel.

29 Then Daud said, What haue I now done? Is there not a cause?

30 And he departed from him into the presence of another, and spake of the same maner, and the people answered him according to the former wordes.

31 ¶ And thei that heard the wordes which Daud spake, rehearsed them before Saul, which caused him to be broght.

32 So Daud said to Saul, Let no mans heart faile him, because of him: thy seruant wil go, and fight with this Philistim.

33 And Saul said to Daud, Thou art not able to go against this Philistim to fight with him: for thou art a boye, and he is a man of warre from his youth.

34 And Daud answered vnto Saul, Thy seruant kept his fathers shepe, and there came a lyon, and likewise a beare, and toke a shepe out of the flocke,

35 And I went out after him & smote him, & toke it out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught him by the bearde, and smote him, and slewe him.

36 So thy seruant slewe both the lyon, and the beare: therefore this vncircumcised Philistim shalbe as one of them, seing he hath railed on the hoste of the liuing God.

37 ¶ Moreouer Daud said, The Lord that deliuered me out of the pawe of the lyon, and out of the pawe of the beare, he wil deliuer me out of the hand of this Philistim. Then Saul sayd vnto Daud, Go, and the Lord be with thee.

38 And Saul put his rayment vpon Daud, and put an helmet of brasse vpon his head, and put a brigandine vpon him.

39 Then girded Daud his sword vpon his rayment, and began to go: for he neuer proued it: and Daud said vnto Saul, I can not go with these: for I am not accustomed. wherefore Daud put them of him.

40 Then toke he his staffe in his hand, and chose him fiue smothe stones out of a brooke, and put them in his shepherdes bag or skrippe, & his sling *was* in his hand, and he drewe nere to the Philistim.

41 ¶ And the Philistim came & drew nere vnto Daud, and the man that bare the shield *went* before him.

42 Now when the Philistim loked about and sawe Daud, he disdeined him: for he was but yong, ruddy, & of a comely face.

43 And the Philistim said vnto Daud, Am I a dog, that thou comest to me with stauess? And the Philistim cursed Daud by his gods.

44 And the Philistim said to Daud, Come to me, and I wil giue thy flesh vnto the foules of the heauen, and to the beastes of the field.

45 ¶ Then said Daud to the Philistim, Thou comest to me with a sworde, and with a speare, and with a shield, but I come to thee in the Name of the Lord of hostes, the God of the hoste of Israel, whome thou hast railed vpon.

46 This day shal the Lord close thee in mine hand, and I shal smite thee, and take thine head from thee, and I wil giue the carkeises of the hoste of the Philistims this day vnto the foules of the heauen, & to the beastes of the earth, that all the worlde may know that Israel hathe a God,

47 And that all this assemblie may knowe, that the Lord saueth not with sworde nor with speare (for the battel is the Lords) & he will giue you into our hands.

48 And when the Philistim arose to come and drawe nere vnto Daud, Daud hasted & ran to fight against the Philistim.

49 And Daud put his hand in his bag, and toke out a stone, & slang it and smote the Philistim in his forehead, that the stone sticked in his forehead, and he fel groueling to the earth.

50 So Daud ouercame the Philistim with a sling and with a stone, & smote the Philistim, & slew him, when Daud had no sworde in his hand.

51 Then Daud ran, and stode vpon the Philistim, and toke his sworde & drew it out of his sheath, and slewe him, & cut off his head therewith. So when the Philistims sawe, that their champion was dead, they fled.

52 And the men of Israel and Iudah arose, and showed, and followed after the Philistims, vntil thei came to the valley, and vnto the gates of Ekron: and the Philistims fel downe wounded by the way of Shaaraim, euen to Gath and to Ekron.

53 And the children of Israel returned from pursuing the Philistims, and spoiled their tents.

54 And Daud toke the head of the Philistim, and broght it to Ierusalem, and put his armour in his tent.

55 ¶ When Saul sawe Daud go forthe against the Philistim, he said vnto Abner the captaine of his hoste, Abner, whose sonne is this yong man? and Abner answered, As thy soule liueth, ô King, I can not tell.

56 Then the King said, Enquire thou whose sonne this yong man is.

57 And when Daudid was returned from the slaughter of the Philistim, then Abner toke him, & brought him before Saul with the head of the Philistim in his hand.

58 And Saul said to him, Whose sonne art thou, thou yong man? And Daudid answered, I am the sonne of thy seruant Ishai the Bethlehemite.

### ***Evening Prayer: 2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Hebrews 8***

#### CHAP. VIII.

**N**Ow of the things which we haue spoken, *this is* the summe, that we haue such an hie Priest, that sitteth at the right hand of the throne of the maiestie in heauens,

2 And *is* a minister of the Sanctuarie, and of the true Tabernacle which the Lord pight, and not man.

3 For euerie hie Priest is ordeined to offer bothe giftes and sacrifices: wherefore it was of necessitie, that this man shulde haue somewhat also to offer.

4 For he were not a Priest, if he were on the earth, seing there are Priestes that according to the Law offer giftes,

5 Who serue vnto the paterne & shadowe of heauenlie things, as Moses was warned by God, when he was about to finish the Tabernacle. Se, said he, that thou make all things according to the paterne, shewed to thee in the mount.

6 But now *our hie Priest* hathe obtained a more excellent office, inasmuche as he is the Mediatour of a better Testament, which is established vpon better promises.

7 For if that first *Testament* had bene fauteles, no place shulde haue bene sought for the seconde.

8 For in rebuking them he saith, Beholde, the dayes wil come, saith the Lord, when I shal make with the house of Israel, and with the house of Iuda a new Testament:

9 Not like the Testament that I made with their fathers, in the day that I toke them by the hand, to leade them out of the land of Egypt: for they continued not in my Testament, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.

10 For this is the Testament that I wil make with the house of Israel, After those dayes, saith the Lord, I wil put my lawes in their minde, and in their heart I wil write them, and I wil be their God, and they shalbe my people,

11 And they shall not teache euerie man his neighbour & euerie man his brother, saying, Knowe the Lord: for all shal knowe me, from the least of them to the greatest of them.

12 For I wil be merciful to their vnrighteousnes, and I wil remember their sinnes and their iniquities no more.

13 In that he saith a newe Testament, he hathe abrogate the olde: now that which is disanulled & waxed olde, is readie to vanish away.

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