

Sonnet 75: One day I wrote

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Morning Prayer: Psa 35-6; Num 16; Act 4

Evening Prayer: Psa 37; Num 22; Heb 9

Morning Prayer: Psalms 35-36

P S A L. X X X V.

A Psalme of *Dauid*.

PLeade thou my cause, ô Lord, with them that striue with me:
fight thou against them, that fight against me.

2 Laie hand vpon the shield and buckler, and stand vp for mine helpe.

3 Bring out also the speare and stoppe *the waie* against them, that persecute me: saie vnto my soule, I am thy saluacion.

4 Let them be confounded & put to shame, that seke after my soule: let them be turned backe, and broght to confusion, that imagine mine hurt.

5 Let them be as chaffe before the winde, and let the Angel of the Lord scater *them*.

6 Let their waie be darke & slipperie: and let the Angel of the Lord persecute them.

7 For without cause thei haue hid the pit *and* their net for me: without cause haue they digged *a pit* for my soule.

8 Let destruction come vpon him at vnwares, & let his net, that he hathe laied priuely, take him: let him fall into the same destruction.

9 Then my soule shalbe ioyful in the Lord: it shal reioyce in his saluacion.

10 All my bones shall saie, Lord, who is like vnto thee, which deliuerest the poore from him, that is too strong for him! yea, the poore and him that is in miserie, from him that spoileth him!

11 Cruel witnesses did rise vp: thei asked of me things that I knewe not.

12 They rewarded me euil for good, to haue spoiled my soule.

13 Yet I, when thei were sicke, I was clothed with a sacke: I humbled my soule with fasting: and my praier was turned vpon my bosome.

14 I behaued my selfe as to *my* friend, *or* as to my brother: I humbled my selfe, mourning as one that bewaileth his mother.

15 But in mine aduersitie thei reioyced, & gathered them selues together: the abiects assembled them selues against me, & I knewe not: thei tare me & ceased not,

16 With the false skoffers at bankets, gnashing their teeth against me.

17 Lord, how long wilt thou beholde *this*? deliuer my soule from their tumult, *euen* my desolate *soule* from the lions.

18 *So* wil I giue thee thanks in a great Congregacion: I wil praise thee among mucche people.

19 Let not them that are mine enemies, vniustly reioyce ouer me, nether let them winke with the eye, that hate me without a cause.

20 For they speake not as friends: but they imagine deceitful wordes against the quiet of the land.

21 And they gaped on me with their mouthes, saying, Aha, aha, our eye hathe sene.

22 Thou hast sene it, ô Lord: kepe not silence: be not farre from me, ô Lord.

23 Arise and wake to my iudgement, *euen* to my cause, my God, and my Lord.

24 Iudge me, ô Lord my God, according to thy righteousnes, and let them not reioyce ouer me.

25 Let them not saye in their hearts, O our soule reioyce: nether let them saye, We haue deuoured him.

26 Let them be confounded, and put to shame together, that reioyce at mine hurt: let them be clothed with confusion and shame, that lift vp them selues against me.

27 *But* let them be ioyful & glad, that loue my righteousnes: yea, let them say alwaie, Let the Lord be magnified, which loueth the prosperitie of his seruant.

28 And my tongue shal vtter thy righteousnes, & thy praise euerie day.

P S A L. X X X V I.

¶ *To him that excelleth. A Psal. of Dauid,
the seruant of the Lord.*

Wickednes saieth to the wicked man, euen in mine heart,
that there is no feare of God before his eyes.

2 For hee flattereth him self in his owne eyes, while his iniquitie is found *worthie* to be hated.

3 The wordes of his mouth *are* iniquitie and deceite: he hathe left of to vnderstand & to do good.

4 He imagineth mischief vpon his bed: he setteth him selfe vpon a waie, *that is* not good, & doeth not abhorre euil.

5 Thy mercy, ô Lord, *reacheth* vnto the heauens, *and* thy faithfulnes vnto the cloudes.

6 Thy righteousnes *is* like the mightie moutaines: thy iudgements *are like* a great deepe: thou, Lord, doest saue man and beast.

7 How excellent is thy mercy, ô God! therefore the children of men trust vnder the shadowe of thy wings.

- 8 They shal be satisfied with the fatnes of thine house, & thou shalt giue them drinke out of the riuer of thy pleasures.
- 9 For with thee *is* the well of life, & in thy light shal we se light.
- 10 Extend thy louing kindenes vnto them that knowe thee, and thy righteousnes vnto them that are vpright in heart.
- 11 Let not the fote of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked men moue me.
- 12 There they are fallen that worke iniquitie: they are cast downe, and shal not be able to rise.

Morning Prayer: 1st Lesson: Numbers 16

C H A P. X V I.

- N**Ow Korah the sonne of Izhar, the sonne of Kohath, the sonne of Leui went apart with Dathan, and Abiram the sonnes of Eliab, & On the sonne of Peleth, the sonnes of Reuben:
- 2 And they rose vp against Moses, with certeine of the children of Israel, two hundreth and fiftie captaines of the assemblie, famous in the Congregacion, & men of renoume,
- 3 Who gathered themselues together against Moses, and against Aaron, and said vnto them, *Ye take* to muche vpon you, seing all the Congregacion is holy, euerie one of them, and the Lord *is* among them: wheerfore then lift ye your selues aboue the Congregacion of the Lorde?
- 4 But when Moses heard it, he fel vpon his face,
- 5 And spake to Korah & vnto all his companie, saying, Tomorowe the Lord wil shewe who is his, and who is holy, & who ought to approche nere vnto him: & whome he hathe chosen, he wil cause to come nere to him.
- 6 This do *therefore*, Take you censers, *bothe* Korah, and all his companie,

7 And put fire therein, and put incens in them before the Lord tomorowe: and the man whome the Lord doeth chose, the same shalbe holy: *ye take* to mucche vpon you, ye sonnes of Leui.

8 Againe Moses said vnto Korah, Heare, I pray you, ye sonnes of Leui.

9 Semeth it a small thing vnto you that the God of Israel hathe separated you from the multitude of Israel, to take you neere to him self, to do the seruice of the Tabernacle of the Lo d, and to stand before the Congregacion and to minister vnto them?

10 He hathe also taken thee to him, and all thy brethren the sonnes of Leui with thee, and seke ye the office of the Priest also?

11 For which cause, thou, and all thy companie are gathered together against the Lord: and what is Aaron, that ye murmure against him?

12 ¶ And Moses sent to call Dathan, & Abiram the sonnes of Eliab: who answered, We wil not come vp.

13 Is it a small thing that thou hast brought vs out of a land that floweth with milke and hony, to kil vs in the wildernes, except thou make thy self Lord and ruler ouer vs also?

14 Also thou hast not brought vs vnto a land that floweth with milke and honie, nether giuen vs inheritance of fieldes and vineyardes: wilt thou put out the eies of these men? we wil not come vp.

15 Then Moses waxed verie angry, & said vnto the Lord, Loke not vnto their offering: I haue not taken so mucche as an asse from them, nether haue I hurte anie of them.

16 And Moses said vnto Korah, Be thou & all thy companie before the Lord: *bothe* thou, thei, and Aaron tomorowe:

17 And take euerie man his censor, and put incens in them, and bring ye euerie man his censor before the Lord, two hundreth and fiftie censors: thou also and Aaron, euerie one his censor.

18 So thei toke euerie man his censor, and put fire in them, and laied incens thereon, and stode in the dore of the Tabernacle of the Congregacion with Moses & Aaron.

19 And Korah gathered all the multitude against them vnto the dore of the Tabernacle of the Congregacion: then the glorie of the Lord appeared vnto all the Congregacion.

20 And the Lorde spake vnto Moses and to Aaron, saying,

21 Separate your selues from among this Cogregacion, that I may consume them atonce.

22 And thei fel vpon their faces and said, O God the God of the spirits, of all flesh, hathe not one man *onely* sinned, and wilt thou be wroth with all the Congregacion?

23 And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying,

24 Speake vnto the Congregacion & say, Get you away from about the Tabernacle of Korah, Dathan and Abiram.

25 Then Moses rose vp, & went vnto Dathan and Abiram, and the Elders of Israel followed him.

26 And he spake vnto the Congregacion, saying, Departe, I pray you, from the tentes of these wicked men, and touche nothing of theirs, lest ye perish in all their sinnes.

27 So thei gate them away from the Tabernacle of Korah, Dathan and Abiram on euerie side: and Dathan, & Abiram came out & stood in the dore of their tentes with their wiues, and their sonnes, & their litle children.

28 And Moses said, Hereby ye shal knowe that the Lord hathe sent me to do all these workes: for *I haue not done them* of mine owne minde.

29 If these men dye the commune death of all men, or if thei be visited after the visitacion of all men, the Lord hathe not sent me.

30 But if the Lord make a newe thing, & the earth open her mouth, & swalowe them vp with all that thei haue, & thei go

downe quicke into the pit, then ye shal vnderstand that these men haue prouoked the Lord.

31 ¶ And as sone as he had made an end of speaking all these wordes, euen the ground claue a sunder that was vnder them,

32 And the earth opened her mouthe, and swallowed them vp, with their families, & all the men that were with Korah, and all their goods.

33 So thei & all that thei had, went down aliuie into the pit, & the earth couered them: so thei perished from among the Congregation.

34 And all Israel that were about them, fled at the crye of them: for thei said, *Let vs flee*, lest the earth swallowe vs vp.

35 But there came out a fire from the Lord, and consumed the two hundreth and fiftie men that offred the incens.

36 And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying,

37 Speake vnto Eleazar, the sonne of Aaron the Priest, that he take vp the censers out of the burning, and skater the fire beyond the altar: for thei are halowed,

38 The censers, *I say*, of these sinners, *that destroyed* them selues: and let them make of them broad plates for a couering of the Altar: for they offred them before the Lorde, therefore thei shalbe holy, and thei shalbe a signe vnto the children of Israel.

39 Then Eleazar the Priest tooke the brasen censers, which thei, that were burnt, had offred, and made broad plates of them for a couering of the Altar.

40 *It is* a remembrance vnto the children of Israel, that no stranger which is not of the sede of Aaron, come nere to offer incens before the Lord, that he be not like Korah & his companie, as the Lord said to him by the hand of Moses.

41 ¶ But on the morowe all the multitude of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye haue killed the people of the Lord.

42 And when the Congregacion was gathered against Moses & against Aaron, then thei turned their faces toward the Tabernacle of the Congregacion: & beholde, the cloude couered it, & the glorie of the Lord appeared.

43 Then Moses and Aaron were come before the Tabernacle of the Congregacion.

44 ¶ And the Lord spake vnto Moses, saying,

45 Get you vp from among this Congregacion: for I wil consume them quickly: then thei fel vpon their faces.

46 And Moses said vnto Aaron, Take the censer and put fire therein of the Altar, & put *therein* incens, & go quickly vnto the Congregacion, & make an atonement for them: for there is wrath gone out from the Lord: the plague is begonne.

47 Then Aaron toke as Moses commanded him, and ran into the middes of the Congregacion, and beholde, the plague was begonne among the people, & he put in incens, & made an atonement for the people.

48 And when he stode betwene the dead, & them that were aliue, the plague was stayed.

49 So they dyed of this plague fourtene thousand and seuen hundreth, beside them that dyed in the conspiracie of Korah.

50 And Aaron went againe vnto Moses before the dore of the Tabernacle of the Congregacion, & the plague was stayed.

Morning Prayer: 2nd Lesson: Acts 4

CHAP. IIII.

ANd as they spake vnto the people, the Priests & the captaine of the Temple, & the Sadduces came vpon them,

2 Taking it grieuously that they taught the people, and preached in Iesus *Name* the resurrection from the dead.

3 And they laid handes on them, & put them in holde, vntil the next day: for it was now euentide.

4 Howbeit, many of them which heard the worde, beleued, and the nombre of the men was about fiue thousand.

5 And it came to passe on the morow, that their rulers, and Elders, and Scribes, were gathered together at Ierusalem,

6 And Annas the chief Priest, & Caiaphas, and Iohn, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kinred of the hie Priestes.

7 And when they had set them before them, they asked, By what power, or in what Name haue ye done this?

8 Then Peter ful of the holie Gost, said vnto them, Ye rulers of the people, & Elders of Israel,

9 For asmuche as we this day are examined of the good dede *done* to the impotent man, *to wit*, by what meanes he is made whole,

10 Be it knowen vnto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the Name of Iesus Christ of Nazaret, whom ye haue crucified, whome God raised againe from the dead, *euen* by him doeth this man stand here before you, whole.

11 This is the stone cast a side of you buylders, which is become the head of the corner.

12 Nether is there saluation in any other: for among men there is giuen none other name vnder heauen, whereby we must be saued.

13 Now when they sawe the boldnes of Peter and Iohn, & vnderstode that they were vnlearned men and without knowledge, they marueiled, & knewe them, that they had bene with Iesus:

14 And beholding also the man which was healed standing with them, they had nothing to say against it.

15 Then they commanded them to go aside out of the Council, and conferred among them selues,

16 Saying, What shal we do to these men? for surely a manifest signe is done by them, & *it is* openly knowen to all them that dwell in Ierusalem: and we can not denye it.

17 But that it be noised no farther among the people, let vs threaten and charge them, that they speake henceforthe to no man in this Name.

18 So they called them, and commanded them, that in no wise they shulde speake or teache in the Name of Iesus.

19 But Peter and Iohn answered vnto them, and said, Whether it be right in the sight of God, to obey you rather then God, iudge ye.

20 For we can not but speake the things which we haue sene and heard.

21 So they threatened them, and let them go, and founde nothing how to punish them, because of the people: for all men praised God for that which was done.

22 For the man was aboue fourtie yere olde, on whome this miracle of healing was shewed.

23 Then assone as they were let go, they came to their felowes, & shewed all that the hie Priests & Elders had said vnto them.

24 And when they heard it, they lift vp their voyces to God with one accorde, & said, O Lord, thou art the God which hast made the heauen and the earth, the sea, & all things that are in them,

25 Which by the mouth of thy seruant Dauid hast said, Why did the Gentiles rage, and the people imagine vaine things?

26 The Kings of the earth assembled, and the rulers came together against the Lord, and against his Christ.

27 For douteles, against thine holie Sonne Iesus, whome thou haddest anointed, bothe Herod & Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the people of Israel gathered them selues together,

28 To do whatsoever thine hand, and thy counsel had determined before to be done.

29 And now, ô Lord, beholde their threatnings, & grante vnto thy seruants with all boldnes to speake thy worde,

30 So that thou stretche forthe thine hand, that healing, and signes, and wonders may be done by the Name of thine holie Sonne Iesus.

31 And when as they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together, and they were all filled with the holie Gost, and they spake the worde of God boldely.

32 And the multitude of them that beleued, were of one heart, and of one soule: nether any of them said, that any thing of that which he possessed, was his owne, but they had all things commune.

33 And with great power gaue the Apostles witnes of the resurrection of the Lord Iesus: and great grace was vpon them all.

34 Nether was there any among them, that lacked: for as many as were possessers of lands or houses, solde them, and broght the price of the things that were solde,

35 And laid it downe at the Apostles fete, and it was distributed vnto euerie man, according as he had nede.

36 Also Ioses which was called of the Apostles, Barnabas (that is by interpretation the sonne of consolation) being a Leuite, *and* of the countrey of Cyprus,

37 Where as he had land, solde it, & broght the money, and laid it downe at the Apostles fete.

Evening Prayer: Psalm 37

P S A L. X X X V I I.

¶ A Psalme of *Dauid*.

FReate not thy self because of the wicked men, nether be enuious for the euil doers.

2 For they shal soone be cut downe like grasse, and shal wither as the grene herbe.

3 Trust thou in the Lord & do good: dwel in the land, & thou shalt be fed assuredly.

4 And delite thy self in the Lord, and he shal giue thee thine hearts desire.

5 Commit thy way vnto the Lord, and trust in him, and he shal bring it to passe.

6 And he shal bring forthe thy righteousnes as the light, & thy iudgement as the noone day.

7 Waite patiently vpon the Lord and hope in him: freat not thy self for him which prospereth in his waye: *nor* for the man that bringeth *his* enterprises to passe.

8 Cease from angre, & leaue of wrath: freat not thy selfe also to do euil.

9 For euil doers shalbe cut of, and they that waite vpon the Lord, they shal inherite the land.

10 Therefore yet a litle while, and the wicked shal not *appeare*, and thou shalt loke after his place, and he shal not *be founde*.

11 But meeke men shal possesse the earth, and shal haue their delite in the multitude of peace.

12 The wicked practiseth against the iust, and gnasheth his teeth against him.

13 *But* the Lord shall laugh him to scorne: for he seeth, that his daye is coming.

14 The wicked haue drawne *their* sworde, and haue bent their bowe, to cast downe the poore and needie, *and* to slay such as be of vpright conuersation.

15 *But* their sworde shall entre into their owne heart, & their bowes shal be broken.

16 A small thing vnto the iust man is better, then great riches to the wicked *and* mightie.

17 For the armes of the wicked shalbe broken: but the Lord vpholdeth the iust men.

18 The Lord knoweth the dayes of vpright men, and their inheritance shalbe perpetual.

19 They shal not be confounded in the perilous time, and in the dayes of famine they shal haue ynough.

20 But the wicked shal perish, and the enemies of the Lord shalbe consumed as the fat of lambes: *euen* with the smoke shal they consume awaye.

21 The wicked borroweth and payeth not againe. but the righteous is merciful, and giueth.

22 For suche as be blessed *of God*, shal inherit the land, & they that be cursed of him, shalbe cut of.

23 The paths of man are directed by the Lord: for he loueth his way.

24 Thogh he fall, hee shal not be cast of: for the Lord putteth vnder his hand.

25 I haue bene yong and am olde: yet I saw neuer the righteous forsaken, nor his sede begging bread.

26 *But* he is euer mercifull and lendeth, and his sede *enioyeth* the blessing.

27 Flee from euil and do good, and dwel for euer.

28 For the Lord loueth iudgement, & forsaketh not his Saints:
they shalbe preserued for euermore: but the sede of the wicked
shalbe cut of.

29 The righteous men shal inherit the land, and dwel therein for
euer.

30 The mouth of the righteous will speake of wisdom, and his
tongue wil talke of iudgement.

31 *For* the Law of his God *is* in his heart, & his steppes shal not
slide.

32 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seketh to slay him.

33 *But* the Lord wil not leaue him in his hand, nor condemne him,
when he is iudged.

34 Waite thou on the Lord, and kepe his way, & he shal exalt
thee, that thou shalt inherit the land: when the wicked men shal
perish, thou shalt se.

35 I haue sene the wicked strong, & spreading him self like a
grene bay tre.

36 Yet he passed away, and lo, he was gone, and I soght him, but
he colde not be founde.

37 Marke the vpriht man, and beholde the iust: for the end of
that man *is* peace.

38 But the transgressours shalbe destroyed together, *and* the end
of the wicked shalbe cut of.

39 But the saluation of the righteous men *shalbe* of the Lord: he
shalbe their strength in the time of trouble.

40 For the Lord shal helpe them, and deliuer them: he shal deliuer
them from the wicked, and shal saue them, because they trust in
him.

Evening Prayer: 1st Lesson: Numbers 22

CHAP. XXII.

After, the children of Israel departed & pitched in the plaine of Moab on the other side of Iorden from Iericho.

2 ¶ Now Balak the sonne of Zippor sawe all that Israel had done to the Amorites.

3 And the Moabites were sore afraide of the people, because they were many, and Moab freated against the children of Israel.

4 Therefore Moab said vnto the Elders of Midian, Now shal this multitude licke vp all that are rounde about vs, as an oxe licketh vp the grasse of the field: and Balak the sonne of Zippor *was* King of the Moabites at that time.

5 He sent messengers therefore vnto Balaam the sonne of Beor to Pethor (which is by the riuier of the land of the children of his folke) to call him, saying, Beholde, there is a people come out of Egypt, which couer the face of the earth, and lie ouer against me.

6 Come now therefore, I pray thee, *and* curse me this people (for they are stronger then I) so it may be that I shal be able to smite them, and to driue them out of the land: for I knowe that he, whome thou blessest, is blessed, and he whome thou cursest, shalbe cursed.

7 And the Elders of Moab, and the Elders of Midian departed, hauing *the reward* of the soothsaying in their hand, and thei came vnto Balaam, & tolde him the wordes of Balak.

8 Who answered them, Tary here this night, and I wil giue you an answer, as the Lord shall say vnto me So the princes of Moab abode with Balaam.

9 Then God came vnto Balaam, and said, What men are these with thee?

10 And Baalam said vnto God, Balak the sonne of Zippor, King of Moab hathe sent vnto me, *saying*,

11 Beholde, *there is* a people come out of Egypt and couereth the face of the earth: come nowe, curse them for my sake: so it may be that I shal be able to ouercome them in battel, and to driue them out.

12 And God said vnto Balaam, Go not thou with them, neither curse the people, for they are blessed.

13 And Balaam rose vp in the morning, and said vnto the princes of Balak, Returne vnto your land: for the Lord hath refused to giue me leaue to go with you.

14 So the princes of Moab rose vp, and went vnto Balak, and said, Balaam hathe refused to come with vs.

15 ¶ Balak yet sent againe mo princes, and more honorable then they.

16 Who came to Balaam, and said to him, Thus saieth Balak the sonne of Zippor, Be not thou stayed, I pray thee, from comming vnto me.

17 For I wil promote thee vnto great honour, and wil do whatsoeuer thou sayest vnto me: come therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people.

18 And Balaam answered, and sayd vnto the seruantes of Balak, If Balak wolde giue me his house ful of siluer and golde, I can not go beyonde the worde of the Lord my God, to do lesse or more.

19 But nowe, I pray you, tary here this night, that I may wit, what the Lord wil say vnto me more.

20 And God came vnto Balaam by night, and said vnto him, If the men come to call thee, rise vp, *and* go with them: but onely what thing I say vnto thee, that shalt thou do.

21 So Balaam rose vp early, and saddled his asse, and went with the princes of Moab.

22 And the wrath of God was kindled, because he went: & the Angel of the Lord stode in the way to be against him, as he rode vpon his asse, and his two seruantes *were* with him.

23 And when the asse saw the Angel of the Lord stand in the way, and his sworde drawn in his hand, the asse turned out of the waie and went into the field, but Balaam smote the asse, to turne her into the way.

24 Againe the Angel of the Lord stode in a path of the vineyardes, *hauing* a wall on the one side, and a wall on the other.

25 And when the asse sawe the Angel of the Lord, she thrust her selfe vnto the wall, and dasht Balaams fote against the wall: wherefore he smote her againe.

26 Then the Angel of the Lord went further, and stode in a narowe place, where was no way to turne, *ether* to the right hand, or to the left.

27 And when the asse sawe the Angel of the Lord, she lay downe vnder Balaam: therefore Balaam was very wrath, and smote the asse with a staffe.

28 Then the Lord opened the mouth of the asse, and she said vnto Balaam, What haue I done vnto thee, that thou hast smitten me nowe thre times?

29 And Balaam said vnto the asse, Because thou hast mocked me: I wolde there were a sworde in mine hand, for now wolde I kil thee.

30 And the asse said vnto Balaam, Am not I thine asse, which thou hast ridden vpon since thy first time vnto this day? haue I vsed at anie time to do thus vnto thee? Who said, Nay.

31 And the Lord opened the eies of Balaam, and he sawe the Angel of the Lord standing in the way with his sworde drawn in his hand: then he bowed him selfe, and fel flat on his face.

32 And the Angel of the Lord said vnto him, Wherefore hast thou now smitten thine asse three times? beholde, I came out to withstand thee, because *thy* way is not straight before me.

33 But the asse sawe me, and turned fro me now thre times: for els, if she had not turned fro me, surely I had euen now slaine thee, and saued her aliue.

34 Then Balaam said vnto the Angel of the Lord, I haue sinned: for I wist not that thou stodest in the way against me: now therefore if it displease thee, I wil turne home againe.

35 But the Angel said vnto Balaam, Go with the men: but what I say vnto thee, that shalt thou speake. So Balaam went with the princes of Balak.

36 And when Balak heard that Balaam came, he went out to mete him vnto a citie of Moab, which is in the border of Arnon, euen in the vtmost coste.

37 Then Balak said vnto Balaam, Did I not send for thee to call thee? Wherefore camest thou not vnto me? am I not able in dede to promote thee vnto honour.

38 And Balaam made answere vnto Balak, Lo, I am come vnto thee, & can I now say anie thing at all? the worde that God putteth in my mouth, that shal I speake.

39 So Balaam went with Balak, and thei came vnto the citie of Huzoth.

40 Then Balak offred bullockes, and shepe, and sent *thereof* to Balaam, & to the princes that were with him.

41 And on the morow Balak toke Balaam, and broght him vp into the hie places of Baal, that thence he might se the vtmost parte of the people.

Evening Prayer: 2nd Lesson: Hebrews 9

C H A P. I X.

Then the first *Testament* had also ordinances of religion, and a worldlie Sanctuarie.

- 2 For the first Tabernacle was made, wherein was the candlesticke, and the table, & the shewbread, which *Tabernacle* is called the Holie places.
- 3 And after the seconde vaile *was* the Tabernacle, which is called the Holiest of all,
- 4 Which had the golden senser, and the Arke of the Testament ouerlaid rounde about with gold, wherein the golden pot, which had manna, *was*, and Aarons rodde that had budded, and the tables of the Testament.
- 5 And ouer the Arke were the glorious Cherubims, shadowing the mercie seat: of which things we wil not now speake particularly.
- 6 Now when these things were thus ordeined, the Priests went alwayes into the first Tabernacle, & accomplished the seruice.
- 7 But into the second went the hie Priest alone, once euerie yere, not without blood which he offered for him self, and for the ignorances of the people.
- 8 Whereby the holie Gost this signified, that the way into ye Holiest of all was, not yet opened, while as yet the first Tabernacle was standing,
- 9 Which was a figure for the present, wherein were offred giftes and sacrifices that colde not make holie, concerning the conscience, him that did the seruice,
- 10 Which onely stode in meats and drinkes, and diuers washings, and carnal rites, vntil the time of reformation.
- 11 But Christ being come an hie Priest of good things to come, by a greater and a more perfite Tabernacle, not made with hands, that is, not of this buylding,

12 Nether by the blood of goates and calues: but by his owne blood entred he in once vnto the holie place, and obtained eternal redemption *for vs.*

13 For if the blood of bulles & of goates & the ashes of an heifer, sprinkling them that are vncleane, sanctifieth as touching the purifying of the flesh,

14 How much more shal the blood of Christ which through the eternal Spirit offred him self without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead workes, to serue the liuing God?

15 And for this cause is he the Mediatour of the new Testament, that through death which was for the redemption of the transgressions *that were* in the former Testament, they which were called, might receiue the promes of eternal inheritance.

16 For where a testament *is*, there must be the death of him that made the testament.

17 For the Testament is confirmed when men are dead: for it is yet of no force as long as he that made it, is a liue.

18 Wherefore nether was the first ordeined without blood.

19 For when Moses had spoken euerie precept to the people, according to the Law, he toke the blood of calues and of goates, with water and purple wolle and hyssope, and sprinkled bothe the boke, and all the people,

20 Saying, This is the blood of the Testament, which God hathe appointed vnto you.

21 Moreouer, he sprinkled likewise the Tabernacle with blood also, and all the ministring vessels.

22 And almost all things are by the Law purged with blood, and without sheading of blood is no remission.

23 It was then necessarie, that the similitudes of heauenlie things should be purified with suche things: but the heauenlie things them selues *are purified* with better sacrifices then are these.

24 For Christ is not entred into the holie places that are made with hands, which are similitudes of the true *Sanctuarie*: but *is entred* into very heauen, to appeare now in ye sight of God for vs,

25 Not that he shulde offer him self often, as the hie Priest entred into the Holie place euerie yere with other blood,

26 (For then must he haue often suffred since the fundacion of the worlde) but now in the end of the worlde hathe he appeared once to put away sinne, by the sacrifice of him self.

27 And as it is appointed vnto men that they shal once dye, and after that *commeth* the iudgement,

28 So Christ was once offred to take away the sinnes of many, and vnto them that loke for him, shall he appeare the seconde time without sinne vnto saluation.

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