### Sonnet 85: The world that cannot deeme

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Morning Prayer: Psa 68; 2Ki 9; Mat 11 Evening Prayer: Psa 69-70; 2Ki 10; Rom 12

### Morning Prayer: Psalm 68

#### PSAL. LXVIII.

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

Od will arise, & his enemies shalbe scattered: thei also that hate him, shal flee before him.

- 2 As the smoke vanisheth, *so* shalt thou drive *them* awaie: & as waxe melteth before the fyre, *so* shall the wicked perish at the presence of God.
- 3 But the righteous shalbe glad, & reioyce before God: yea, thei shal leape for ioye.
- 4 Sing vnto God, & sing praises vnto his Name: exalt him, that rideth vpon the heauens, in his Name Iah, & reioyce before him.
- 5 *He is* a Father of the fatherles, and a Iudge of the widowes, *euen* God in his holie habitation.
- 6 God maketh the solitarie to dwell in families, & deliuereth them that were prisoners in stockes: but the rebellious shal dwell in a drye land.
- 7 O God, when thow wentest forthe before thy people: when thou wentest through the wildernes, (Selah)
- 8 The earth shoke, and the heauens dropped at the presence of this God: *euen* Sinai *was moued* at the presence of God, *euen* the God of Israel.
- 9 Thou, ô God, sendest a gracious raine *vpon* thine inheritance, & thou didest refresh it when it was wearie.

- 10 Thy Congregation dwelled therein: *for* thou, ô God, hast of thy goodnes prepared it for the poore.
- 11 The Lorde gaue matter to the women to tel of the great armie.
- 12 Kings of the armies did flee: thei did flee, and she that remained in the house, deuided the spoile.
- 13 Thogh ye haue lien among pots, *yet shal ye be as* the wings of a doue that is couered with siluer, and whose fethers *are like* yelowe golde.
- 14 When the Almightie scatered Kings in it, it was white as the snow in Zalmon.
- 15 The mountaine of God *is like* the mountaine of Bashan: *it is* an high Mountaine, *as* mount Bashan.
- 16 Why leape ye, ye high mountaines? as for this Mountaine, God deliteth to dwell in it: yea, the Lord wil dwell in it for euer.
- 17 The charets of God *are* twentie thousand thousand Angels, and the Lord is among them, *as* in the Sanctuarie of Sinai.
- 18 Thou art gone vp on high: thou hast led caprilitie captile, *and* received giftes for men: yea, even the rebellious *hast thou led*, that the Lord God might dwell *there*.
- 19 Praised be the Lord, *euen* the God of our saluacion, *which* ladeth vs daiely *with benefites*. Selah.
- 20 This *is* our God, *euen* the God that saueth *vs*: and to the Lord God *belong* the issues of death.
- 21 Surely God wil wound the head of his enemies, & the heerie pate of him that walketh in his sinnes.
- 22 The Lord hathe said, I wil bring *my people* againe from Bashan: I wil bring them againe from the depths of the Sea:
- 23 That thy foote maie be dipped in blood, & the tongue of thy dogges *in the blood* of the enemies, *euen* in it.
- 24 Thei haue sene, ô God, thy goings, the goings of my God, & my King, *which art* in the Sanctuarie.

- 25 The singers went before, the plaiers of instruments after: in the middes *were* the maides playing with timbrels.
- 26 Praise ye God in the assemblies, & the Lord, *ye that are* of the fountaine of Israel.
- 27 There *was* litle Beniamin *with* their ruler, & the princes of Iudah *with* their assemblie, the princes of Zebulun, & the princes of Naphtali.
- 28 Thy God hathe appointed thy strength: stablish, ô God, that, *which* thou hast wroght in vs,
- 29 Out of thy Temple vpon Ierusalem: & Kings shal bring presents vnto thee.
- 30 Destroye the companie of the spearemen, & multitude of the mightie bulles with the calues of the people, that tread vnder fete pieces of siluer: scater the people that delite in warre.
- 31 *Then* shal the princes come out of Egypt: Ethiopia shal haste to stretch her hands vnto God.
- 32 Sing vnto God, ô ye kingdomes of the earth: sing praise vnto the Lord, (Selah)
- 33 To him that rideth vpon the most high heauens, *which were from* the beginning: beholde he wil send out by his voyce a mightie sounde.
- 34 Ascribe the power to God: *for* his maiestie *is* vpon Israel, & his strength *is* in the cloudes.
- 35 O God, thou art terrible out of thine holie places: the God of Israel is he that giueth strength and power vnto the people: praised *be* God.

Morning Prayer: 1st Lesson: 2 Kings 9

CHAP. IX.

- Hen Elisha the Prophet called one of the children of the Prophetes, and said vnto him, Girde thy loynes and take this boxe of oyle in thine hand and get thee to Ramoth Gilead.
- 2 And when thou commest thether, loke where is Iehu ye sonne of Iehoshaphat, the sonne of Nimshi, and go, and make him arise vp from among his brethren, & lead him to a secret chamber.
- 3 Then take the boxe of oyle and powre it on his head, & say, Thus sayeth the Lord, I have anointed thee for King ouer Israel. then open the dore, and flee without anie tarying.
- 4 So the seruat of the Prophet gate him to Ramoth Gilead.
- 5 And when he came in, beholde, the captaines of the armie were sitting. And he said, I have a message to thee, ô captaine. And Iehu said, Vnto which of all vs? And he answered, To thee, ô captaine.
- 6 And he arose, and went into the house, and he powred the oyle on his head and said vnto him, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, I have anointed thee *for* King over the people of the Lord, *euen* over Israel.
- 7 And thou shalt smite the house of Ahab thy master, that I may auenge the blood of my seruants the Prophetes, & the blood of all the seruants of the Lord of the hand of Iezebel.
- 8 For the whole house of Ahab shalbe destroyed: and I wil cut of from Ahab, him that maketh water against the wall, aswel him that is shut vp, as him that is left in Israel.
- 9 And I wil make the house of Ahab like the house of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat, & like the house of Baasha the sonne of Ahiiah.
- 10 And the dogs shal eat Iezebel in the field of Izreel, and there shalbe none to burye her. And he opened the dore, and fled.
- 11 ¶ Then Iehu came out to the seruants of his lord. And *one* said vnto him, Is all wel? wherefore came this mad fellowe to thee? And he said vnto them, Ye knowe the man, and what his talke was.

- 12 And thei said, It is false, tel vs it nowe. Then he said, Thus and thus spake he to me, saying, Thus saith the Lord, I have anointed thee for King ouer Israel.
- 13 Then they made haste, and toke euerie man his garment, and put it vnder him on the top of the staires, and blewe the trumpet, saying, Iehu is King.
- 14 So Iehu the sonne of Iehoshaphat the sonne of Nimshi conspired against Ioram: (Now Ioram kept Ramoth Gilead, he & all Israel, because of Hazael King of Aram.
- 15 And King Ioram returned to be healed in Izreel of the woundes, which the Aramites had given him, when he fought with Hazael King of Aram) and Iehu said, If it be your mindes, let no man departe and escape out of the citie, to go & tel in Izreel.
- 16 So Iehu gate vp into a charet, and went to Izreel: for Ioram laye there, and Ahaziah King of Iudah was come downe to see Ioram.
- 17 And the watcheman that stode in the towre in Izreel spyed the companie of Iehu as he came, and said, I se a companie. And Iehoram said, Take a horseman and send to mete them, that he may say, Is it peace?
- 18 So there went one on horseback to mete him, and said, Thus saith the King, Is it peace? And Iehu said, What hast thou to do with peace? turne behinde me. And the watcheman tolde, saying, The messenger came to them, but he commeth not againe.
- 19 Then he sent out another on horsebacke, which came to them, and said, Thus saith the King, Is it peace? And Iehu answered, What hast thou to do with peace? turne behinde me.
- 20 And the watcheman tolde, saying, He came to them *also*, but commeth not againe, and the marching *is* like the marching of Iehu the sonne of Nimshi: for he marcheth furiously.

- 21 ¶ Then Iehoram said, Make readie: and his charet was made readie. And Iehoram King of Israel and Ahaziah King of Iudah went out ether of them in his charet against Iehu, and met him in the field of Naboth the Izreelite.
- 22 And when Iehoram sawe Iehu, he said, Is it peace, Iehu? And he answered, What peace? the whoredomes of thy mother Iezebel, and her witchcraftes *are* yet in great nomber.
- 23 Then Iehoram turned his hand, & fled, and said to Ahaziah, O Ahaziah, *there is* treason.
- 24 But Iehu toke a bowe in his hand, and smote Iehoram betwene the shoulders, that the arowe went through his heart: and he fel downe in his charet.
- 25 Then said *Iehu* to Bidkar a captaine, Take, & cast him in some place of the field of Naboth the Izreelite: for I remember that when I and thou rode together after Ahab his father, the Lord layed this burden vpon him.
- 26 Surely I have sene yesterday the blood of Naboth, and the blood of his sonnes, said the Lord, and I wil render it thee in this field, saith the Lord: nowe therefore take *and* cast him in the field, according to the worde of the Lord.
- 27 But when Ahaziah the King of Iudah sawe this, he fled by the way of the garden house: and Iehu pursued after him, & said, Smite him also in the charet: & thei smote him in the going vp to Gur, which is by Ibleam. And he fled to Megiddo, and there dyed.
- 28 And his seruants caryed him in a charet to Ierusalem, & buryed him in his sepulchre with his fathers in the citie of Dauid.
- 29 And in the eleuenth yere of Ioram the sonne of Ahab, began Ahaziah to reigne ouer Iudah.
- 30 And when Iehu was come to Izreel, Iezebel heard of it and peinted her face, and tired her head, & loked out at a wyndow.

- 31 And as Iehu entred at the gate, she said, Had Zimri peace, which slewe his master?
- 32 And he lift vp his eyes to the windowe, and said, Who is on my side, who? Then two *or* three of her Eunuches looked vnto him.
- 33 And he said, Cast her downe: and they cast her downe, and he sprinkled of her blood vpon the wall, and vpon the horses, and he trode her vnderfote.
- 34 And when he was come in, he did eat and drinke, and said, Visite now yonder cursed woman, and bury her: for she is a Kings daughter.
- 35 And thei went to bury her, but thei founde no more of her, then the skul & the fete, and the palmes of her hands.
- 36 Wherefore they came againe and tolde him. And he said, This is the worde of the Lord, which he spake by his seruant Eliiah the Tishbite, saying, In the fielde of Izreel shal the dogs eat the flesh of Iezebel.
- 37 And the carkeis of Iezebel shalbe as doung vpon the ground in the field of Izreel, so that none shal say, This is Iezebel.

## Morning Prayer: 2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Matthew 11

#### CHAP. XI.

And it came to passe that when Iesus had made an ende of commanding his twelue disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities.

- 2 ¶ And when Iohn heard in the prison the workes of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said vnto him,
- 3 Art thou he that shulde come, or shal we loke for another?
- 4 And Iesus answering, said vnto them, Go, and shewe Iohn, what things ye haue heard and sene.

- 5 The blinde receive sight, & the halt go: the lepers are clensed, and the deaf heare, the dead are raised vp, and the poore receive the Gospel.
- 6 And blessed is he that shal not be offended in me.
- 7 And as they departed, Iesus began to speake vnto the multitude, of Iohn, What went ye out into the wildernes to se? A reed shaken with the winde?
- 8 But what went ye out to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Beholde, they that we re soft clothing, are in Kings houses.
- 9 But what went ye out to se? A Prophet? Yea, I say vnto you, and more then a Prophet.
- 10 For this is he of whome it is written, Beholde, I send my messenger before thy face, which shal prepare thy way before thee.
- 11 Verely I say vnto you, among them which are begotten of women, arose there not a greater then Iohn Baptist: notwithstanding, he that is the least in the kingdome of heauen, is greater then he.
- 12 And from the time of Iohn Baptist hitherto, the kingdome of heauen suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.
- 13 For all the Prophetes & the Law prophecied vnto Iohn.
- 14 And if ye wil receive it, this is Elias, which was to come.
- 15 He that hath eares to heare, let him heare.
- 16 But whereunto shal I liken this generation? It is like vnto litle children which sit in the markets, and call vnto their fellowes,
- 17 And say, We have piped vnto you, & ye have not danced, we have mourned vnto you, and ye have not lamented.
- 18 For Iohn came nether eating nor drinking, and they say, He hathe a deuil.
- 19 The Sonne of man came eating & drinking, and they say, Beholde a glotton & a drinker of wine, a friend vnto Publicanes & sinners: but wisedome is iustified of her children.

- 20 ¶ Then began he to vpbraide the cities, wherein moste of his great workes were done, because they repented not.
- 21 Wo *be* to thee, Chorazin: Woe *be* to thee, Bethsaida: for if the great workes, which were done in you, had bene done in Tyrus & Sidon, they had repented long agone in sackecloth and ashes.
- 22 But I say to you, It shalbe easier for Tyrus and Sidon at the day of judgement, then for you.
- 23 And thou, Capernaum, which art lifted vp vnto heauen, shalt be broght downe to hel: for if the great workes, which haue bin done in thee, had bene done among them of Sodom, they had remained to this day.
- 24 But I say vnto you, that it shalbe easier for them of the land of Sodom in the day of judgement, then for thee.
- 25 At that time Iesus answered, and said, I giue thee thankes, ô Father, Lord of heauen & earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and men of vnderstanding, and hast opened them vnto babes.
- 26 It is so, ô Father, because thy good pleasure was suche.
- 27 All things are giuen vnto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Sonne, but the Father: nether knoweth any man the Father, but the Sonne, & he to whome the Sonne will reueile *him*.
- 28 Come vnto me, all ye that are wearie & laden, and I wil ease you.
- 29 Take my yoke on you, and learne of me, that I am meke and lowlie in heart: & ye shal finde rest vnto your soules.
- 30 For my yoke is easie, & my burden light.

# Evening Prayer: Psalms 69-70

PSAL. LXIX.

¶ To him that excelleth vpon Shoshannim. A Psalme of Dauid.

Aue me, ô God: for the waters are entred euen to *my* soule.

2 I sticke fast in the depe myre, where no staie *is*: I am come into depe waters, and the streames runne ouer me.

- 3 I am wearie of crying: my throte is drye: mine eyes faile, whiles I waite for my God.
- 4 They that hate me without a cause, are mo then the heeres of mine heade: thei that wolde destroy me, *and* are mine enemies falsely, are mightie, so that I restored that which I toke not.
- 5 O God, thou knowest my foolishnes, & my fautes are not hid from thee.
- 6 Let not them that trust in thee, ô Lord God of hostes, be ashamed for me: let not those that seke thee, be confounded through me, ô God of Israel.
- 7 For thy sake haue I suffred reprofe: shame hathe couered my face.
- 8 I am become a stranger vnto my brethren, euen an aliant vnto my mothers sonnes.
- 9 For the zeale of thine house hathe eaten me, and the rebukes of them that rebuked thee, are fallen vpon me.
- 10 I wept and my soule fasted, but that was to my reprofe.
- 11 I put on a sacke also: and I became a prouerbe vnto them.
- 12 They that sate in the gate, spake of me, and the drunkards sang of me.
- 13 But Lord, *I make* my praier vnto thee in an acceptable time, *euen* in the multitude of thy mercie: ô God, heare me in the trueth of thy saluacion.
- 14 Deliuer me out of the myre, that I sinke not: let me be deliuered from them that hate me, and out of the depe waters.
- 15 Let not the waterflood drowne mee, nether let the depe swallowe me vp: and let not the pit shut her mouth vpon me.

- 16 Heare me, ô Lord, for thy louing kindenes is good: turne vnto me according to the multitude of thy tendre mercies.
- 17 And hide not thy face from thy seruant, for I am in trouble: make hast & heare me.
- 18 Drawe nere vnto my soule & redeme it: deliuer me because of mine enemies.
- 19 Thou hast known my reprofe and my shame, & my dishonour: all mine aduersaries *are* before thee.
- 20 Rebuke hathe broken mine heart, and I am ful of heauines, and I loked *for some* to haue pitie *on me*, but there was none: and for comforters, but I founde none.
- 21 For thei gaue me gall in my meat, and in my thirst thei gaue me vinegre to drinke.
- 22 Let their table be a snare before them, and their prosperitie *their* ruine.
- 23 Let their eyes be blinded that thei se not: and make their loynes alwaie to tremble.
- 24 Powre out thine angre vpon them, & let thy wrathful displeasure take them.
- 25 Let their habitacion be voide, & let none dwell in their tentes.
- 26 For thei persecute him, whome thou hast smiten: and they adde vnto the sorowe of them, whome thou hast wounded.
- 27 Lay iniquitie vpon their iniquitie, & let them not come into thy righteousnes.
- 28 Let them be put out of the boke of life, nether let them be writen with the righteous.
- 29 When I am poore & in heauines, thine helpe, ô God, shal exalt me.
- 30 I will praise the Name of God with a song, & magnifie him with thankesgiuing.

- 31 *This* also shal please the Lord better then a yong bullocke, that hathe hornes and hoofes.
- 32 The humble shal se *this*, & thei that seke God, shalbe glad, & your heart shal liue.
- 33 For the Lord heareth the poore, and despiseth not his prisoners.
- 34 Let heauen & earth praise him: the seas and all that moueth in them.
- 35 For God wil saue Zion, and buylde the cities of Iudah, that men maie dwell there and haue it in possession.
- 36 The sede also of his seruants shal inherit it: and thei that loue his Name, shal dwell therein.

#### PSAL. LXX.

¶ To him that excelleth. A Psalme of Dauid to put in remembrance.

God, *haste thee* to deliuer mee: make haste to helpe me, ô Lord.

- 2 Let them be confounded & put to shame, that seke my soule: let them be turned backewarde and put to rebuke, that desire mine hurt.
- 3 Let them be turned backe for a rewarde of their shame, which said, Aha, aha.
- 4 But let all those that seke thee, be ioyfull & glad in thee, and let all that loue thy saluacion, saie alwaies, God be praised.
- 5 Now I am poore and nedie: ô God, make haste to me: thou art mine helper, and my deliuerer: ô Lord, make no tarying.

Evening Prayer: 1st Lesson: 2 Kings 10

CHAP. X.

Hab had now seuentie sonnes in Samaria. And Iehu wrote letters, & sent to Samaria vnto the rulers of Izreel, & to the Elders, and to the bringers vp of Ahabs children, to this effect,

- 2 Now when this letter commeth to you, (for ye haue with you your masters sonnes, ye haue with you bothe charets and horses, and a defensed citie, and armour)
- 3 Consider therefore which of your masters sonnes is best and moste mete, & set him on his fathers throne, and fight for your masters house.
- 4 But thei were excedingly afraied, & said, Beholde two Kings colde not stand before him, how shal we then stand?
- 5 And he that was gouernour of *Ahabs* house, and he that ruled the citie, and the Elders, and the bringers vp of the children sent to Iehu, saying, We are thy seruants, and wil do all that thou shalt byd vs: we wil make no King: do what semeth good to thee.
- 6 ¶ Then he wrote another letter to them, saying, If ye be mine, & wil obey my voice, take the heads of the men that are your masters sonnes, and come to me to Izreel by tomorowe this time. (Now the Kings sonnes, *euen* seuentie persones *were* with the great men of the citie, which broght them vp)
- 7 And when the letter came to them, they toke the Kings sonnes, and slewe the seuentie persones, and laied their heades in baskets, and sent them vnto him to Izreel.
- 8 ¶ Then there came a messenger & tolde him, saying, Thei haue brought the heades of the Kings sonnes. And he said, Let them lay them on two heapes at the entring in of the gate vntil the morning.
- 9 And when it was day, he went out, & stode & said to all the people, Ye be righteous: beholde, I conspired against my master, & slewe him: but who slewe all these?
- 10 Knowe now that there shal fall vnto the earth nothing of the worde of the Lord, which the Lord spake concerning the house of

Ahab: for the Lorde hathe brought to passe the things that he spake by his seruant Eliiah.

- 11 So Iehu slewe all that remayned of the house of Ahab in Izreel, and all that were great with him, and his familiars and his priests, so that he let none of his remaine.
- 12  $\P$  And he arose, and departed and came to Samaria. *And* as Iehu was in the waye by an house where the shepherdes did shere,
- 13 He met with the brethren of Ahaziah King of Iudah, and said, Who are ye? And thei answered, We are the brethren of Ahaziah, & go downe to salute the children of the King and the children of the quene.
- 14 And he said, Take them aliue. And they toke them aliue, & slewe them at the well beside the house where the shepe are shorne, *euen* two and fourtie men, and he left not one of them.
- 15 ¶ And when he was departed thence, he met with Iehonadab the sonne of Rechab comming to mete him, and he blessed him, and said to him, Is thine heart vpright, as mine heart is toward thine? And Iehonadab answered, Yea, douteles. *Then* giue me thine hand. And when he had giuen him his hand, he toke him vp to him into the charet.
- 16 And he said, Come with me, and se the zeale that I haue for the Lord: so they made him ryde in his charet.
- 17 And when he came to Samaria, he slewe all that remained vnto Ahab in Samaria, til he had destroyed him, according to the worde of the Lord, which he spake to Eliiah.
- 18 Then Iehu assembled all the people, and said vnto them, Ahab serued Baal a litle, *but* Iehu shal serue him muche more.
- 19 Now therefore call vnto me all ye prophetes of Baal, all his seruants, and all his priests, and let not a man be lacking: for I haue a great sacrifice for Baal: whosoeuer is lacking, he shal not liue. But Iehu did it by a subtiltie to destroye the seruants of Baal.

- 20 And Iehu said, Proclaime a solemne assemblie for Baal. And they proclaimed it.
- 21 So Iehu sent vnto all Israel, and all the seruants of Baal came, and there was not a man left that came not. And thei came into the house of Baal, & the house of Baal was ful from end to end.
- 22 Then he said vnto him that had the charge of the vestrie, Bring forthe vestements for all the seruants of Baal. And he broght them out vestements.
- 23 And when Iehu went, & Iehonadab the sonne of Rechab into the house of Baal, he said vnto the seruants of Baal, Searche diligently, and loke, lest there be here with you *any* of the seruants of the Lord, but the seruants of Baal onely.
- 24 And when thei went in to make sacrifice & burnt offring, Iehu appointed fourescore men without, and said, If any of the men whome I haue broght into your hands, escape, his soule *shalbe* for his soule.
- 25 And when he had made an end of the burnt offring, Iehu said to the garde, and to the captaines, Go in, slaye them, let not a man come out. And they smote them with the edge of the sworde. And the garde, and the captaines cast them out, & went vnto the citie, where was the temple of Baal.
- 26 And they broght out the images of the temple of Baal, and burnt them.
- 27 And they destroyed the image of Baal, and threwe downe the house of Baal, and made a iakes of it vnto this day.
- 28 So Iehu destroyed Baal out of Israel.
- 29 But from the sinnes of Ieroboam the sonne of Nebat which made Israel to sinne, Iehu departed not from them, *nether from* the golden calues that were in Beth-el and that were in Dan.
- 30 ¶ And the Lord said vnto Iehu, Because thou hast diligently executed that which was right in mine eyes, *and* hast done vnto the

house of Ahab according to all things that were in mine heart, *therefore* shal thy sonnes vnto the fourte *generacion* sit on the throne of Israel.

- 31 But Iehu regarded not to walke in the law of the Lord God of Israel with all his heart: *for* he departed not from the sinnes of Ieroboam, which made Israel to sinne.
- 32 In those dayes the Lorde began to lothe Israel, and Hazael smote them in all the coastes of Israel,
- 33 From Iorden Eastwarde, *euen* all the land of Gilead, the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and them that were of Manasseh, from Aroer (which is by the riuer Arnon) and Gilead and Bashan.
- 34 Concerning the rest of the actes of Iehu, and all that he did, and all his valiant dedes, are they not writen in the boke of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?
- 35 And Iehu slept with his fathers, and they buryed him in Samaria, and Iehoahaz his sonne reigned in his steade.
- 36 And the time that Iehu reigned ouer Israel in Samaria is eight and twentie yeres.

## Evening Prayer: 2nd Lesson: Romans 12

#### CHAP. XII.

Beseche you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye giue vp your bodies a liuing sacrifice, holie, acceptable vnto God, *which is* your reasonable seruing of God.

- 2 And facion not your selues like vnto this worlde, but be ye changed by the renuing of your minde, that ye may proue what is the good wil of God, & acceptable & perfite.
- 3 For I say through the grace that is given vnto me, to euerie one that is among you, that no man presume to vnderstand aboue that

- which is mete to vnderstand, but that he vnderstand according to sobrietie, as God hathe dealt to euerie man the measure of faith.
- 4 For as we have many members in one bodie, and all members have not one office,
- 5 So we being many are one bodie in Christ, and euerie one, one anothers members.
- 6 Seing then that we have giftes that are divers, according to the grace that is given vnto vs, whether we *have* prophecie, *let vs prophecie* according to the proportion of faith:
- 7 Or an office, *let vs waite* on the office: or he that teacheth, on teaching:
- 8 Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that distributeth, *let him do it* with simplicitie: he that ruleth, with diligence: he that sheweth mercie, with cheerefulnes.
- 9 *Let* loue *be* without dissimulation. Abhorre that which is euil, and cleaue vnto that which is good.
- 10 Be affectioned to loue one another with brotherlie loue. In giuing honor, go one before another,
- 11 Not slouthful to do seruice: seruent in spirit seruing the Lord,
- 12 Reioycing in hope, pacient in tribulation, continuing in prayer,
- 13 Distributing vnto the necessities of the Saintes: giuing your selues to hospitalitie.
- 14 Blesse them which persecute you: blesse, *I say*, and curse not.
- 15 Reioyce with them that reioyce, & wepe with them that wepe.
- 16 Be of like affection one towards another: be not hie minded: but make your selues equal to them of the lower sorte: be not wise in your selues.
- 17 Recompense to no man euil for euil: procure things honest in the sight of all men.
- 18 If it be possible, asmuche as in you is, haue peace with all men.

- 19 Dearely beloued, auenge not your selues, but giue place vnto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine: I wil repay, saith the Lord.
- 20 Therefore, if thine enemie hunger, fede him: if he thirst, giue him drinke: for in so doing, thou shalt heape coles of fyre on his head.
- 21 Be not ouercome of euil, but ouercome euil with goodnes.

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