# Sonnet 11: Dayly when I do seeke

Saturday, February 2, 1594: Purification Epistle: 1Co 9.24-27 Gospel: Luk 2.22-7 Morning Prayer: Psa 15-17; Wis 9; Mar 2 Evening Prayer: Psa 18; Wis 12; 1Co 14

## *Epistle: 1Co 9.24-27*

24 Knowe ye not, that they which runne in a race, runne all, yet one receiueth the price? so runne that ye may obteine.

25 And everie man that proueth masteries, absteineth from all things. And they *do it* to obteine a corruptible crowne: but we for an vncorruptible.

26 I therefore so runne, not as vncerteinly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the ayre.

27 But I beat downe my bodie, & bring it into subjection, lest by any meanes after that I haue preached to other, I my self shulde be reproued.

### Gospel: Luk 2.22-7

22 And when the dayes of her purification after the Law of Moses were accomplished, they broght him to Ierusalem, to present him to the Lord,

23 (As it is written in the Law of the Lord, Euerie man childe that *first* openeth the wombe, shalbe called holie to the Lord:)

24 And to give an oblation, as it is commanded in the Law of the Lord, a paire of turtle doues, or two yong pigeons.

25 And beholde, there was a man in Ierusalem, whose name was Simeon: this man *was* iust, and feared God, and waited for the consolation of Israel, and the holie Gost was vpon him. 26 And a reuelation was giuen him of the holie Gost, that he shulde not se death, before he had sene the Lords Christ.
27 And he came by *the motion* of the Spirit into the Temple, & when the parents broght in the child Iesus, to do for him after the custome of the Law, ...

### Morning Prayer: Psalms 15-17

# PSAL. XV.

#### ¶ A Psalme of Dauid.

Ord, who shall dwel in thy Tabernacle? who shal rest in thine holie Mountayne?

2 He that walketh vprightly and worketh righteousnes, and speaketh the trueth in his heart.

3 He that sclandreth not with his tongue, nor doeth euil to his neighbour, nor receiueth a false reporte against his neighbour.

4 In whose eyes a vile persone is contemned, but he *honoreth* them that feare the Lord: he that sweareth to his *owne* hinderance and changeth not.

5 He that giueth not his money vnto vsurie, nor taketh rewarde against the innocent: he that doeth these things, shal neuer be moued.

#### PSAL. XVI.

#### ¶ Michtam of Dauid.

PReserve me, ô God: for in thee do I trust. 2 *O my soule*, thou hast said vnto the Lord, Thou art my Lord: my weldoing *extendeth* not to thee,

3 *But* to the Saints that are in the earth, and to the excellent: all my delite is in them.

4 The sorowes of them, that offer to an other *god*, shal be multiplied: their offrings of blood wil I not offer, nether make mencion of their names with my lippes.

5 The Lorde *is* the porcion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou shalt mainteine my lot.

6 The lines are fallen vnto me in pleasant places: yea, I haue a faire heritage.

7 I wil praise the Lorde, who hath giuen me counsel: my reines also teache me in the nights.

8 I have set the Lord alwayes before me: for he is at my right hand: *therefore* I shal not slide.

9 Wherefore mine heart is glad and my tongue reioyceth: my flesh also doeth rest in hope.

10 For thou wilt not leaue my soule in the graue: nether wilt thou suffer thine holie one to se corruption.

11 Thou wilt shewe me the path of life: in thy presence *is* the fulnes of ioye: *and* at thy right hand there *are* pleasures for euermore.

#### PSAL. XVII.

#### ¶ The prayer of Dauid.

Eare the right, ô Lord, consider my crye: hearken vnto my prayer of lips vnfained.

2 Let my sentence come for the from thy presence, & let thine eyes beholde equitie.

3 Thou hast proued & visited mine heart in the night: thou hast tryed me, & foundest nothing: *for* I was purposed that my mouth shulde not offend.

4 Concerning the workes of men, by the wordes of thy lippes I kept me from the paths of the cruel man.

5 Stay my steps in thy paths, that my fete do not slide.

6 I have called vpon thee: surely thou wilt heare me, ô God: incline thine eare to me, & hearken vnto my wordes.

7 Shewe thy maruelous mercies, *thou* that art the Sauiour of them that trust *in thee*, from suche as resist thy right hand.

8 Keeepe me as the apple of the eye: hide me vnder the shadow of thy wings,

9 From the wicked that oppresse me, *from mine* enemies, which compasse me rounde about for *my* soule.

10 They are inclosed in their owne fatt, *and* they have spoken proudly with their mouth.

11 They have compassed vs now in our steps: they have set their eyes to bring downe to the ground:

12 Like as a lyon that is gredie of praye, & as it were a lyons whelpe lurking in secret places.

13 Vp Lord, disapoint him: cast him downe: deliuer my soule from the wicked with thy sworde,

14 From men by thine hand, ô Lord, from men of the worlde, who haue their porcion in this life, whose belies thou fillest with thine hid treasure: their children haue ynough, and leaue the rest of their substance for their children.

15 *But* I will beholde thy face in righteousnes, & when I awake, I shalbe satisfied with thine image.

#### Morning Prayer: 1st Lesson: Wisdom of Solomon 9

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

God of fathers, and Lord of mercie, who hast made all things with thy worde,

2 And ordeined man thorow thy wisdome, that he shulde haue dominion ouer the creatures which thou hast made,

3 And gouerne the worlde according to equitie and righteousnes,& execute iudgement with an vpright heart.

4 Giue me that wisdome, which sitteth by thy throne, and put me not out from among thy children.

5 For I thy seruant, & sonne of thine handmaide, am a feble persone, & of a shorte time, and yet lesse in the vnderstanding of iudgement & the lawes.

6 And thogh a man be neuer so perfite among the children of men, yet if thy wisdome be not with him, he shalbe nothing regarded.

7 Thou hast chosen me to be a King of thy people, and the iudge of thy sonnes & daughters.

8 Thou hast commanded me to buyld a temple vpon thine holy Mount, & an altar in the citie, wherein thou dwellest, a likenes of thine holie Tabernacle, which thou hast prepared from the beginning,

9 And thy wisdome with thee, which knoweth thy workes, which also was when thou madest the world, and which knewe what was acceptable in thy sight, and right in thy commandements.

10 Send her out of thine holy heauens, & send her from the throne of thy maiestie that she may be with me, & labour, that I may knowe what is acceptable in thy sight.

11 For she knoweth & vnderstandeth all things, and she shal leade me soberly in my workes, & preserue me by her glorie.

12 So shal my workes be acceptable, & then shal I gouerne thy people righteously, & be mete for my fathers throne.

13 For what man is he that can knowe the counsel of God? or who can thinke what the wil of God is?

14 For the thoghtes of mortal men are feareful, and our forecastes are vncerteine,

15 Because a corruptible bodie is heauie vnto the soule, & the earthlie mansion kepeth downe the minde that is ful of cares.

16 And hardly can we discerne the things that are vpon earth, and with great labour finde we out the things which are before vs: who can then seke out the things that are in heauen?

17 Who can knowe thy counsel, except thou give him wisdome, and send thine holy Spirit from aboue?

18 For so the waies of them which are vpon earth, are reformed,& men are taught the things that are pleasant vnto thee, and are preserued thorow wisdome.

#### Morning Prayer: 2nd Lesson: Mark 2

#### CHAP. II.

Fter *a fewe* dayes, he entred into Capernaum againe, and it was noysed that he was in the house.

2 And anone, manie gathered together, in so much that the places about the dore colde not receive anie more and he preached the word vnto them.

3 And there came vnto him, that broght one sicke of the palsie, borne of foure men.

4 And because they colde not come nere vnto him for the multitude, they vncouered the rofe of the house where he was: and when they had broken it open, thei let downe the bed, wherein the sicke of the palsie laye.

5 Now when Iesus sawe their faith, he said to the sicke of the palsie, Sonne, thy sinnes are forgiuen thee.

6 And there were certeine of the Scribes, sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts,

7 Why doeth this man speake suche blasphemies? who can forgiue sinnes, but God onelie?

8 And immediatly when Iesus perceiued in his spirite, that thus they thoght with themselues, he said vnto them, Why reason ye these things in your hearts?

9 Whether is it easier to say to the sicke of the palsie, Thy sinnes are forgiuen thee? or to say, Arise, and take vp thy bed, and walke?

10 But that ye may knowe, that the Sonne of man hathe autoritie in earth to forgiue sinnes, (he said vnto the sicke of the palsie.)

11 I say vnto thee, Arise & take vp thy bed, and get thee hence into thine owne house.

12 And by and by he arose, and toke vp his bed, and went for the before them all, insomuche that they were all amased, and glorified God, saying, We neuer sawe such a thing.

13 ¶ Then he went againe towarde the sea, and all the people resorted vnto him, and he taught them.

14 And as Iesus passed by, he sawe Leui *the sonne* of Alpheus sit at the receit of custome, & said vnto him, Folowe me. And he arose and followed him.

15 ¶ And it came to passe, as Iesus sate at table in his house, many Publicanes & sinners sate at table also with Iesus, and his disciples: for there were many that followed him.

16 And when the Scribes and Pharises sawe him eat with the Publicanes and sinners, they said vnto his disciples, How is it, that he eateth and drinketh with Publicanes and sinners?

17 Now when Iesus heard it, he said vnto them, The whole haue no nede of the physicion, but the sicke. I came not to call the righteous, but the sinners to repentance.

18 And the disciples of Iohn, & the Pharises did fast, and came and said vnto him, Why do the disciples of Iohn and of the Pharises fast, and thy disciples fast not? 19 And Iesus said vnto them, Can the children of the mariage chamber fast, whiles the bridegrome is with them? as long as they haue the bridegrome with them, they can not fast.

20 But the dayes will come, when the bridegrome shalbe taken from them, and then shal they fast in those dayes.

21 Also no man soweth a piece of new cloth in an olde garment: for els the new *piece* taketh away the filling vp from the olde, and the breache is worse.

22 Likewise, no man putteth newe wine into olde vessels: for els the new wine breaketh the vessels, and the wine runneth out, and the vessels are lost: but new wine must be put into new vessels.

23 ¶ And it came to passe as he went through the corne on the Sabbath day, that his disciples, as they went on their way, began to plucke the eares of corne.

24 And the Pharises saide vnto him, Beholde, why do they on the Sabbath day, that which is not lawful?

25 And he said to them, Haue ye neuer red what Dauid did, when he had nede, and was an hungred, *bothe* he, and they that were with him?

26 How he went into the house of God, in the dayes of Abiathar the hie Priest, and did eat the shewe bread, which were not lawful to eat, but for the Priests, and gaue also to them which were with him?

27 And he said to them, The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath.

28 Wherefore the Sonne of man is Lord, euen of the Sabbath.

## **Evening Prayer: Psalm 18**

PSAL. XVIII.

¶ To him that excelleth. A Psalm of Dauid the seruant of the Lord, which spake vnto the Lord the wordes of this song (in the day that the Lord deliuered him for the hand of all his enemies, & from the hand of Saul) and said,

Will love thee dearly, ô Lord my strength.

 $\blacksquare$  2 The Lord *is* my rocke, and my fortresse, and he that deliuereth me, my God & my strength: in him wil I trust, my shield, the horne also of my salvacion, & my refuge.

3 I wil call vpon the Lorde, which is worthie to be praised: so shal I be safe from mine enemies.

4 The sorowes of death compassed me, and the floods of wickednes made me afraide.

5 The sorowes of the graue haue compassed me about: the snares of death ouertoke me.

6 *But* in my trouble did I call vpon the Lord, and cryed vnto my God: he heard my voyce out of his Temple, and my crye did come before him, *euen* into his eares.

7 Then the earth trembled, and quaked: the foundacions also of the mountaines moued and shoke, because he was angrie.

8 Smoke went out at his nostrels, & a consuming fyre out of his mouth: coles were kindled thereat.

9 He bowed the heauens also and came downe, and darkenes *was* vnder his fete.

10 And he rode vpon Cherub and did flie, and he came flying vpon the wings of the winde.

11 He made darkenes his secrete place, & his pauilion round about him, *euen* darkenes of waters, and cloudes of the aire.

12 At the brightnes of his presence his clouds passed, haylestones and coles of fyre.

13 The Lord also thundred in the heauen, and the Highest gaue his voyce, hailestones and coles of fyre.

14 Then hee sent out his arrowes & scattered them, and he increased lightnings and destroyed them.

15 And the chanels of waters were sene, and the foundacions of the worlde were discouered at thy rebuking, ô Lord, at the blasting of the breath of thy nostrels.

16 He hathe sent downe from aboue *and* taken me: he hathe drawen me out of manie waters.

17 He hathe deliuered me from my strong enemie, and from them which hate me: for they were to strong for me.

18 They preuented me in the daye of my calamitie: but the Lord was my stay.

19 He broght me forthe also into a large place: he deliuered me because he fauoured me.

20 The Lord rewarded me according to my righteousnes: according to the purenes of mine hands he recompensed me:

21 Because I kept the wayes of the Lord, & did not wickedly against my God.

22 For all his Lawes *were* before me, and I did not cast away his commandements from me.

23 I was vpright also with him, & haue kept me from my wickednes.

24 Therefore the Lord rewarded me according to my righteousnes, & according to the purenes of mine hands in his sight.

25 With the godlie thou wilt shewe thy self godlie: with the vpright man thou wilt shewe thy self vpright.

26 With the pure thou wilt shewe thy self pure, & with the frowarde thou wilt shewe thy self froward.

27 Thus thou wilt saue the poore people, & wilt cast downe the proude lokes.

28 Surely thou wilt light my candel: the Lord my God wil lighten my darkenes.

29 For by thee I have broken through an hoste, and by my God I have leaped ouer a wall.

30 The waye of God is vncorrupt: the worde of the Lord is tried *in the fyre*: he is a shield to all that trust in him.

31 For who is God besides the Lord? And who is mightie saue our God?

32 God girdeth me with strength, and maketh my waye vpright.

33 He maketh my fete like hindes *fete*, and setteth me vpon mine high places.

34 He teacheth mine hands to fight: so that a bowe of brasse is broken with mine armes.

35 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy saluacion, and thy right hand hathe stayed me, and thy louing kindenes hathe caused me to increase.

36 Thou hast enlarged my steppes vnder me, and mine heles haue not slid.

37 I have pursued mine enemies, and taken them, and have not turned againe til I had consumed them.

38 I have wounded them, that they were not able to rise: they are fallen vnder my fete.

39 For thou hast girded me with strength to battel: them, that rose against me, thou hast subdued vnder me.

40 And thou hast given me the neckes of mine enemies, that I might destroye them that hate me.

41 They cryed but there was none to saue *them*, *euen* vnto the Lord, but he answered them not.

42 Then I did beate them smale as the dust before the winde: I did treade them flat as the claye in the stretes.

43 Thou hast deliuered me from the contentions of the people: thou hast made me the head of the heathen: a people, *whome* I haue not knowen, shal serue me.

44 As soone as thei heare, thei shal obey me: the strangers shal be in subjection to me.

45 Strangers shal shrinke away, & feare in their priuie chambers.

46 Let the Lord liue, and blessed be my strength, and the God of my saluacion be exalted.

47 *It is* God that giueth me *power* to auenge me, and subdueth the people vnder me.

48 O my deliverer from mine enemies, even thou hast set mee vp from them, that rose against me: thou hast delivered mee from the cruel man.

49 Therefore I will praise thee, ô Lord, among the nations, and wil sing vnto thy Name.

50 Great deliuerances giueth he vnto his King, & sheweth mercie to his anointed, *euen* to Dauid, and to his sede for euer.

### Evening Prayer: 1st Lesson: Wisdom 12

#### CHAP. XII.

 $\mathbf{F}_2^{\text{Or}}$  thine incorruptible spirit is in all things. 2 Therfore thou chastnest them measurably that go wrong, and warnest them by putting them in remembrance of the things wherein they have offended, that leaving wickednes, they may beleve in thee,  $\hat{o}$  Lord.

3 As for those olde inhabitants of the holy land, thou didest hate them.

4 For they committed abominable workes, as sorceries and wicked sacrifices,

5 And slaying of their owne children without mercie, and eating of the bowels of mans flesh in banketing, where the raging Priests *shed* abominable blood.

6 And the fathers were the chiefe murtherers of the soules, destitute of all helpe, whome thou wouldest destroy by the hands of our fathers,

7 That the land which thou louest aboue all other, might be a mete dwelling for the children of God.

8 Neuertheles, thou sparedst them also as men, and sendedst the forerunners of thine hoste, euen hornettes to destroie them by litle and litle,

9 Not that thou wast vnable to subdue the vngodlie vnto the righteous in battel, or with cruel beastes, or with one rough worde to destroie them together.

10 But in punishing them by litle and litle, thou gauest them space to repent, knowing wel, that it was an vnrighteous nacion & wicked of nature, & that their thoght colde neuer be altered.

11 For it was a cursed sede from the beginning: yet hast thou not spared them when they sinned, because thou feared any man.

12 For who dare say, What hast thou done? or who dare stand against thy iudgement? or who dare accuse thee for the nacions that perish, whome thou hast made? or who dare stand against thee to reuenge the wicked men?

13 For there is none other God but thou, that carest for all things, that thou maist declare how that thy iudgement is not vnright.

14 There dare neither King nor tyrant in thy sight require accountes of them whome thou hast punished.

15 For so muche then as thou are righteous thy selfe, thou orderest all things righteously, thinking it not agreable to thy power to condemne him, that hathe not deserved to be punished.

16 For thy power is the beginning of righteousnes, and because thou art Lord of all things, it causeth thee to spare all things.

17 When men thinke thee not to be of a perfite power, thou declarest thy power, and reprouest the boldnes of the wise.

18 But thou ruling the power, iudgest with equitie, & gouernest vs with great fauour: for thou maist shew thy power when thou wilt.

19 By suche workes now hast thou taught thy people, that a man shulde be iust and louing, and hast made thy children to be of a good hope: for thou giuest repentance to sinners.

20 For if thou hast punished the enemies of thy children that had deserued death with so great consideration, and requesting *vnto them*, giuing them time & place that they might change from their wickednes,

21 With how great circumspection wilt thou punish thine owne children, vnto whose fathers thou hast sworne and made couenants of good promises?

22 So when thou doest chasten vs, thou punishest our enemies a thousand times more, to the intent that when we iudge, we shulde diligently consider thy goodnes, and when we are iudged, we shulde hope for mercie.

23 Wherfore thou hast tormented ye wicked that have lived a dissolute life by their owne imaginations.

24 For they went astray verie farre in the waies of errour, and estemed the beastes, which their enemies dispised, for gods, being abused after the maner of children, that haue none vnderstanding.

25 Therefore hast thou sent this punishment that they shulde be in derision as children without reason.

26 But they that wil not be reformed by those scorneful rebukes, shal fele the worthie punishment of God.

27 For in those things when they suffred, they disdeined, but in these whom they counted godly, when they sawe themselues punished by them, they all acknowledged the true God whom afore they had denied to knowe: therefore came extreme damnation vpon them.

#### **Evening Prayer: 2nd Lesson: 1 Corinthians 14**

## CHAP. XIIII.

Followe after loue, and couet spiritual *gifts*, and rather that ye may prophecie.

2 For he that speaketh a *strange* tongue, speaketh not vnto men, but vnto God: for no man heareth *him*: howbeit in the spirit he speaketh secret things.

3 But he that prophecieth, speaketh vnto men to edifying, and to exhortacion, and to comfort.

4 He that speaketh *strange* language, edifieth him self: but he that prophecieth, edifieth the Church.

5 I wolde that ye all spake *strange* languages, but rather that ye prophecied: for greater is he that prophecieth, then he that speaketh *diuers* tongues, except he expounde it, that the Church may receive edificacion.

6 And nowe, brethren, if I come vnto you speaking *diuers* tongues, what shal I profite you, except I speake to you, ether by reuelacion, or by knowledge, or by prophecying, or by doctrine?

7 Moreouer things without life which giue a sounde, whether *it be* a pipe or an harpe, except they make a distinction in the sounds, how shall it be knowen what is piped or harped?

8 And also if the trumpet giue an vncerteine sounde, who shal prepare him self to battel?

9 So likewise you, by the tongue, except ye vtter wordes that haue signification, howe shall it be vnderstand what is spoken? for ye shal speake in the ayre.

10 There are so manie kindes of voyces (as it commeth to passe) in the world, and none of them is domme.

11 Except I knowe then the power of the voyce, I shalbe vnto him that speaketh, a barbarian, and he that speaketh, shalbe a barbarian vnto me.

12 Euen so, forasmuch as ye couet spirituall *gifts*, seke that ye may excel vnto the edifying of the Church.

13 Wherefore, let him that speaketh a *strange* tongue, praie, that he may interpret.

14 For if I pray *in a strange* tongue, my spirit praieth: but mine vnderstading is without frute.

15 What is it then? I wil pray with the spirit, but I wil pray with the vnderstanding also: I wil sing with the spirit, but I wil sing with the vnderstanding also.

16 Else, when thou blessest with the spirit, how shal he that occupieth the roume of the vnlearned, say Amen, at thy giuing of thankes, seing he knoweth not what thou saist?

17 For thou verely giuest thankes wel, but the other is not edified.

18 I thanke my God, I speake languages more then ye all.

19 Yet had I rather in the Church to speake fiue wordes with mine vnderstanding, that I might also instruct others, then ten thousande wordes in a *strange* tongue.

20 Brethren, be not children in vnderstanding, but as concerning maliciousnes be children, but in vnderstanding be of a ripe age.

21 In the Law it is written, By men of other tongues, & by other languages will I speake vnto this people: yet so shal they not heare me, saith the Lord.

22 Wherefore *strange* tongues are for a signe, not to them that beleue, but to them that beleue not: but prophecying *serueth* not for them that beleue not, but for them which beleue.

23 If therefore when the whole Church is come together in one, and all speake *strange* tongues, there come in they that are vnlearned, or they which beleue not, wil thei not say, that ye are out of your wittes?

But if all prophecie, and there come in one that beleueth not,
or one vnlearned, he is rebuked of all men, and is iudged of all.
And so are the secretes of his heart made manifest, & so he wil
fall downe on his face and worship God, and say plainely that God
is in you in dede.

26 What is to be *done* then, brethren? when ye come together, *according as* euerie one of you hath a psalme, *or* hathe doctrine, or hathe a tongue, *or* hathe reuelacion, *or* hathe interpretation, let all things be done vnto edifying.

27 If anie man speake a *strange* tongue, *let it be* by two, or at the most, by thre, and that by course, and let one interpret.

28 But if there be no interpreter, let him kepe silence in the Church, *which speaketh languages*, and let him speake to him selfe, and to God.

29 Let the Prophetes speake two, or three, and let the other iudge.

30 And if any thing be reueiled to another that sitteth by, let the first holde his peace.

31 For ye may all prophecie one by one, that all may learne, & all may haue comfort.

32 And the spirits of the Prophetes are subject to the Prophetes.

33 For God is not *the author* of confusion, but of peace, as *we se* in all the Churches of the Saints.

34 Let your women kepe silence in the Churches: for it is not permitted vnto them to speake: but *they oght* to be subject, as also the Law saith.

35 And if thei wil learne anie thing, let them aske their housbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speake in the Church.

36 Came the worde of God out from you? ether came it vnto you onely?

37 If anie man thinke him self to be a Prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge, that the things, that I write vnto you, are the commandements of the Lord.

38 And if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant.

39 Wherefore, brethren, couet to prophecie, & forbid not to speake languages.

40 Let all things be done honestly and by order.

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