

# KNOX ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Morning Worship 10:30 AM*  
*Evening Worship 6:00 PM*

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## **Chap. XXI. — Of the Privileges of Believers.**

### **Q. 5. What is our Christian liberty?**

**A.** An holy and spiritual freedom from the slavery of sin, the bondage of death and hell, the curse of the law, Jewish ceremonies, and thralldom of conscience, purchased for us by Jesus Christ, and revealed to us by the Holy Spirit.

*from "The Greater Catechism", John Owen*

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**Galatians 5:1** Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

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DUKE STREET. L. M.

John Hatton

1. I will Thee praise, my God, O King, And I will ev-er bless Thy name;  
I will ex-tol Thee ev-'ry day And ev-er-more Thy praise pro-claim.

2. The Lord is great; He praise exceeds;  
His greatness fully search can none;  
Race shall to race extol Thy deeds  
And tell Thy mighty acts each one.

3. Upon Thy glorious majesty [dwell;  
And wondrous works my mind shall  
Men shall recount Thy dreadful acts,  
And of Thy greatness I will tell.

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HEBRON. L. M.

Lowell Mason

4. They ut-ter shall a-bun-dant-ly The mem-'ry of Thy good-ness great,  
And shall sing prais-es cheer-ful-ly Whilst they Thy right-eous-ness re-late.

5. Jehovah very gracious is;  
In Him compassions also flow;  
In lovingkindness He is great,  
And unto anger He is slow.

7. The glory of Thy kingdom show  
Shall they, and of Thy power tell;  
That so men's sons His deeds may know,  
His kingdom's glories that excel.

6. O'er all His works His mercies are;  
The Lord is good to all that live.  
Praise, Lord, to Thee Thy works afford;  
Thy saints to Thee shall praises give.

8. Thy kingdom hath none end at all;  
It doth through ages all remain.  
The Lord upholdeth all that fall,  
The cast down raiseth up again.

## Isaiah 7

**1** And it came to pass in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, king of Judah, that Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up toward Jerusalem to war against it, but could not prevail against it.

**2** And it was told the house of David, saying, Syria is confederate with Ephraim. And his heart was moved, and the heart of his people, as the trees of the wood are moved with the wind.

**3** Then said the LORD unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz, thou, and Shearjashub thy son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field;

**4** And say unto him, Take heed, and be quiet; fear not, neither be fainthearted for the two tails of these smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin with Syria, and of the son of Remaliah.

**5** Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah, have taken evil counsel against thee, saying,

**6** Let us go up against Judah, and vex it, and let us make a breach therein for us, and set a king in the midst of it, even the son of Tabeal:

<sup>7</sup> Thus saith the Lord GOD, It shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass.

<sup>8</sup> For the head of Syria is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is Rezin; and within threescore and five years shall Ephraim be broken, that it be not a people.

<sup>9</sup> And the head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is Remaliah's son. If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established.

<sup>10</sup> Moreover the LORD spake again unto Ahaz, saying,

<sup>11</sup> Ask thee a sign of the LORD thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above.

<sup>12</sup> But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the LORD.

<sup>13</sup> And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also?

<sup>14</sup> Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

<sup>15</sup> Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

<sup>16</sup> For before the child shall know to refuse the evil, and choose the good, the land that thou abhorrest shall be forsaken of both her kings.

<sup>17</sup> The LORD shall bring upon thee, and upon thy people, and upon thy father's house, days that have not come, from the day that Ephraim departed from Judah; even the king of Assyria.

<sup>18</sup> And it shall come to pass in that day, that the LORD shall hiss for the fly that is in the uttermost part of the rivers of Egypt, and for the bee that is in the land of Assyria.

<sup>19</sup> And they shall come, and shall rest all of them in the desolate valleys, and in the holes of the rocks, and upon all thorns, and upon all bushes.

<sup>20</sup> In the same day shall the Lord shave with a razor that is hired, namely, by them beyond the river, by the king of Assyria, the head, and the hair of the feet: and it shall also consume the beard.

<sup>21</sup> And it shall come to pass in that day, that a man shall nourish a young cow, and two sheep;

<sup>22</sup> And it shall come to pass, for the abundance of milk that they shall give he shall eat butter: for butter and honey shall every one eat that is left in the land.

<sup>23</sup> And it shall come to pass in that day, that every place shall be, where there were a thousand vines at a thousand silverlings, it shall even be for briers and thorns.

<sup>24</sup> With arrows and with bows shall men come thither; because all the land shall become briers and thorns.

<sup>25</sup> And on all hills that shall be digged with the mattock, there shall not come thither the fear of briers and thorns: but it shall be for the sending forth of oxen, and for the treading of lesser cattle.

## 2 Thessalonians 1

**1** Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

**2** Grace unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**3** We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth;

**4** So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure:

**5** Which is a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God, that ye may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which ye also suffer:

**6** Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you;

**7** And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,



<sup>8</sup> In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

<sup>9</sup> Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

<sup>10</sup> When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

<sup>11</sup> Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power:

<sup>12</sup> That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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ROCKINGHAM. L.M.

Edward Miller

9. The eyes of all up - on Thee wait; Their food in  
sea - son Thou dost give; Thine o - pened hand doth  
sat - is - fy The wants of all on earth that live.

10. The Lord is just in His ways all;  
In all His works His grace is shown;  
The Lord is nigh to all that call,  
Who call in truth on Him alone.
11. He will the just desire fulfill  
Of such as do Him fear indeed;  
Their cry regard and hear He will,  
And save them in the time of need.
12. The Lord doth safely keep all those  
That bear to Him a loving heart,  
But workers all of wickedness  
Destroy will He and clean subvert.
13. Then with my mouth and lips I will  
Jehovah's name with praise adore.  
And let all bless His holy name  
Forever and for evermore.

## Matthew 20

<sup>1</sup> For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard.

<sup>2</sup> And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard.

<sup>3</sup> And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the marketplace,

<sup>4</sup> And said unto them; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way.

<sup>5</sup> Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise.

<sup>6</sup> And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle?

<sup>7</sup> They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive.

<sup>8</sup> So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the labourers, and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first.

<sup>9</sup> And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny.

<sup>10</sup> But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny.

<sup>11</sup> And when they had received it, they murmured against the goodman of the house,

<sup>12</sup> Saying, These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day.

<sup>13</sup> But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny?

<sup>14</sup> Take that thine is, and go thy way: I will give unto this last, even as unto thee.

<sup>15</sup> Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good?

<sup>16</sup> So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.

<sup>17</sup> And Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them,

<sup>18</sup> Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death,

<sup>19</sup> And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again.

<sup>20</sup> Then came to him the mother of Zebedees children with her sons, worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him.

<sup>21</sup> And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom.

<sup>22</sup> But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able.

<sup>23</sup> And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father.

<sup>24</sup> And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren.

<sup>25</sup> But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them.

<sup>26</sup> But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister;

<sup>27</sup> And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:

<sup>28</sup> Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

<sup>29</sup> And as they departed from Jericho, a great multitude followed him.

<sup>30</sup> And, behold, two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by, cried out, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David.

<sup>31</sup> And the multitude rebuked them, because they should hold their peace: but they cried the more, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David.

<sup>32</sup> And Jesus stood still, and called them, and said, What will ye that I shall do unto you?

<sup>33</sup> They say unto him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened.

<sup>34</sup> So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him.

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CONVERSE. 8,7,8,7. D.

C.C. Converse



1. Hal - le - lu-jah! praise Je - ho - vah; O my soul, Je - ho - vah praise;



While I live I'll praise Je - ho - vah, Praise my God through all my days.



2. Put no con - fi - dence in princ - es, Nor for help on man de - pend;



He shall die, to dust re - turn - ing; And his pur - pos - es shall end.



3. Happy is the man that chooses  
Jacob's God to be his aid;  
He is blessed whose hope of blessing  
On the Lord his God is stayed.

5. Food Jehovah gives the hungry,  
Sight Jehovah gives the blind,  
Freedom gives He to the pris'ner,  
Cheer to those bowed down in mind.

4. He has made the earth and heavèn,  
Seas, and all that they contain;  
He will keep His truth forever,  
Rights of those oppressed maintain.

6. Well Jehovah loves the righteous,  
To the stranger is a stay,  
Helps the fatherless and widow,  
But subverts the sinner's way.

7. Yea, Jehovah reigns forever;  
Through all ages He is King,  
Evèn He, thy God, O Zion;  
To Jehovah praises sing.

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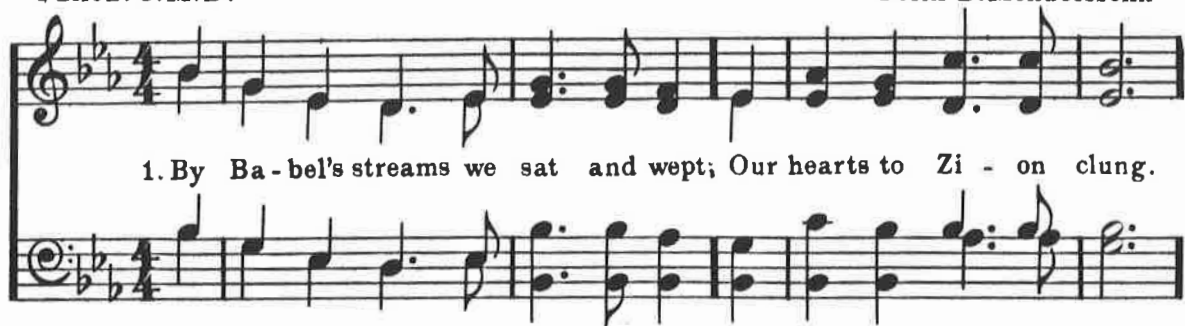
GRAFTON. C. M.

Thomas Clark

1. Je - ho - vah reigns; let earth be glad; Let isles their joy make known.

Dark clouds sur-round Him, and on right And jus - tice rests His throne.

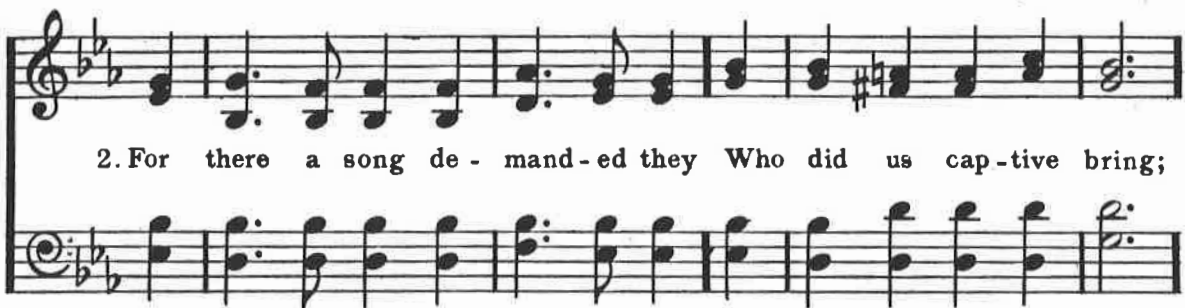
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| 2. Fire goes before Him, and His foes<br>It burns up round about;<br>His lightnings lightened all the world;<br>Earth saw and shook throughout. | 6. Mount Zion heard the welcome news<br>And sang with one accord;<br>Yea, Judah's daughters have rejoiced<br>For all Thy judgments, Lord. |
| 3. Before the Lord the mountains melt<br>As wax before the flame;<br>Before the Lord of all the earth<br>When He in glory came.                 | 7. For Thou, Jehovah, art most high<br>O'er all the earth abroad;<br>Thou art exalted very far<br>'Bove every heathen god.                |
| 4. The heav'ns declare His righteousness;<br>All men His glory see.<br>All who serve graven images,<br>Confounded let them be.                  | 8. Hate ill, all ye that love the Lord;<br>His saints preserveth He;<br>And from the hand of wicked men<br>He sets them safe and free.    |
| 5. They who of idols boast themselves<br>Shall all be brought to shame.<br>O all ye gods, see that ye give<br>Due worship to His name.          | 9. For them that follow righteousness<br>Is sown a joyful light,<br>And gladness great is sown for them<br>That in their heart are right. |
| 10. Ye righteous, in the Lord rejoice;<br>Your thankfulness express<br>When into loving memory<br>Ye call His holiness.                         |   |



1. By Ba - bel's streams we sat and wept; Our hearts to Zi - on clung.



On wil - lows in the midst there-of Our si - lent harps we hung.



2. For there a song de - mand - ed they Who did us cap - tive bring;



Our spoil - ers called for mirth and said, A song of Zi - on sing.

3. O how the Lord's song shall we sing  
Within a foreign land?  
If thee, Jerus'lem, I forget,  
Skill part from my right hand.

4. My tongue to my mouth's roof let  
If I do thee forget, [cleave,  
And if above my chiefest joy  
I Salem do not set.

5. Remember, Lord, Jerus'lem's day,  
And Edom's bitter race,

Who said, Destroy it, raze it quite,  
Ev'n to its very base.

6. O Babel's daughter near thy doom,  
How happy shall he be  
Who now as thou hast dealt with us  
Shall also deal with thee.

7. And happy also shall he be  
Thy hapless little ones  
Who shall lay hold upon and them  
Shall dash against the stones.

## Romans 7

<sup>1</sup> Know ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth?

<sup>2</sup> For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband.

<sup>3</sup> So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.

<sup>4</sup> Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.

<sup>5</sup> For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death.

<sup>6</sup> But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter.

<sup>7</sup> What shall we say then? Is the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet.

<sup>8</sup> But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For without the law sin was dead.

<sup>9</sup> For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died.

<sup>10</sup> And the commandment, which was ordained to life, I found to be unto death.

<sup>11</sup> For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew me.

<sup>12</sup> Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.

<sup>13</sup> Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful.

<sup>14</sup> For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin.

<sup>15</sup> For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I.

<sup>16</sup> If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good.

<sup>17</sup> Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

<sup>18</sup> For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.

<sup>19</sup> For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.

<sup>20</sup> Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

<sup>21</sup> I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

<sup>22</sup> For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:

<sup>23</sup> But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

<sup>24</sup> O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

<sup>25</sup> I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

## Genesis 25

<sup>1</sup> Then again Abraham took a wife, and her name was Keturah.

<sup>2</sup> And she bare him Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah.

<sup>3</sup> And Jokshan begat Sheba, and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were Asshurim, and Letushim, and Leummim.

<sup>4</sup> And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Hanoch, and Abidah, and Eldaah. All these were the children of Keturah.

<sup>5</sup> And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.

<sup>6</sup> But unto the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts, and sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto the east country.

<sup>7</sup> And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, an hundred threescore and fifteen years.

<sup>8</sup> Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full of years; and was gathered to his people.

<sup>9</sup> And his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which is before Mamre;

<sup>10</sup> The field which Abraham purchased of the sons of Heth: there was Abraham buried, and Sarah his wife.

<sup>11</sup> And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that God blessed his son Isaac; and Isaac dwelt by the well Lahairoi.

<sup>12</sup> Now these are the generations of Ishmael, Abraham's son, whom Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah's handmaid, bare unto Abraham:

<sup>13</sup> And these are the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names, according to their generations: the firstborn of Ishmael, Nebajoth; and Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,

<sup>14</sup> And Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa,

<sup>15</sup> Hadar, and Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah:

<sup>16</sup> These are the sons of Ishmael, and these are their names, by their towns, and by their castles; twelve princes according to their nations.

<sup>17</sup> And these are the years of the life of Ishmael, an hundred and thirty and seven years: and he gave up the ghost and died; and was gathered unto his people.

<sup>18</sup> And they dwelt from Havilah unto Shur, that is before Egypt, as thou goest toward Assyria: and he died in the presence of all his brethren.

<sup>19</sup> And these are the generations of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham begat Isaac:

<sup>20</sup> And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padanaram, the sister to Laban the Syrian.

<sup>21</sup> And Isaac intreated the LORD for his wife, because she was barren: and the LORD was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived.

<sup>22</sup> And the children struggled together within her; and she said, If it be so, why am I thus? And she went to enquire of the LORD.

<sup>23</sup> And the LORD said unto her, Two nations are in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and the one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the elder shall serve the younger.



<sup>24</sup> And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb.

<sup>25</sup> And the first came out red, all over like an hairy garment; and they called his name Esau.

<sup>26</sup> And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was threescore years old when she bare them.

<sup>27</sup> And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob was a plain man, dwelling in tents.

<sup>28</sup> And Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of his venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob.

<sup>29</sup> And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he was faint:

<sup>30</sup> And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore was his name called Edom.

<sup>31</sup> And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright.

<sup>32</sup> And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?

<sup>33</sup> And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he swore unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.

<sup>34</sup> Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised his birthright.

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CHRISTMAS.C.M.

George F. Handel

1. O all ye na - tions of the earth, Give prais - es to the Lord; And

all ye peo - ple rag - ni - fy His name with one ac - cord, His name with one ac - cord.

2. Because His lovingkindness  
Are mighty toward us;  
Jehovah's truth endures for aye.  
The Lord O do ye bless.

RUTHERFORD. 6,6,4,6,6,6,4.

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J. K. Robb

All na - tions, praise the Lord; All peo - ples, in ac - cord

His glo - ry raise. Be - cause His mer - cy pure Is great to

us; and sure The Lord's truth doth en - dure. The Lord O praise.

## Joshua 22

1 Then Joshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh,

2 And said unto them, Ye have kept all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, and have obeyed my voice in all that I commanded you:

3 Ye have not left your brethren these many days unto this day, but have kept the charge of the commandment of the LORD your God.

4 And now the LORD your God hath given rest unto your brethren, as he promised them: therefore now return ye, and get you unto your tents, and unto the land of your possession, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave you on the other side Jordan.

5 But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the LORD charged you, to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and to cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul.

6 So Joshua blessed them, and sent them away: and they went unto their tents.

<sup>7</sup> Now to the one half of the tribe of Manasseh Moses had given possession in Bashan: but unto the other half thereof gave Joshua among their brethren on this side Jordan westward. And when Joshua sent them away also unto their tents, then he blessed them,

<sup>8</sup> And he spake unto them, saying, Return with much riches unto your tents, and with very much cattle, with silver, and with gold, and with brass, and with iron, and with very much raiment: divide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren.

<sup>9</sup> And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh returned, and departed from the children of Israel out of Shiloh, which is in the land of Canaan, to go unto the country of Gilead, to the land of their possession, whereof they were possessed, according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

<sup>10</sup> And when they came unto the borders of Jordan, that are in the land of Canaan, the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh built there an altar by Jordan, a great altar to see to.

<sup>11</sup> And the children of Israel heard say, Behold, the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh have built an altar over against the land of Canaan, in the borders of Jordan, at the passage of the children of Israel.

<sup>12</sup> And when the children of Israel heard of it, the whole congregation of the children of Israel gathered themselves together at Shiloh, to go up to war against them.

<sup>13</sup> And the children of Israel sent unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, into the land of Gilead, Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest,

<sup>14</sup> And with him ten princes, of each chief house a prince throughout all the tribes of Israel; and each one was an head of the house of their fathers among the thousands of Israel.

<sup>15</sup> And they came unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, unto the land of Gilead, and they spake with them, saying,

<sup>16</sup> Thus saith the whole congregation of the LORD,  
What trespass is this that ye have committed  
against the God of Israel, to turn away this day from  
following the LORD, in that ye have builded you an  
altar, that ye might rebel this day against the LORD?

<sup>17</sup> Is the iniquity of Peor too little for us, from which  
we are not cleansed until this day, although there  
was a plague in the congregation of the LORD,

<sup>18</sup> But that ye must turn away this day from  
following the LORD? and it will be, seeing ye rebel to  
day against the LORD, that to morrow he will be  
wroth with the whole congregation of Israel.

<sup>19</sup> Notwithstanding, if the land of your possession be  
unclean, then pass ye over unto the land of the  
possession of the LORD, wherein the LORD's  
tabernacle dwelleth, and take possession among us:  
but rebel not against the LORD, nor rebel against us,  
in building you an altar beside the altar of the LORD  
our God.

<sup>20</sup> Did not Achan the son of Zerah commit a trespass  
in the accursed thing, and wrath fell on all the  
congregation of Israel? and that man perished not  
alone in his iniquity.

<sup>21</sup> Then the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh answered, and said unto the heads of the thousands of Israel,

<sup>22</sup> The LORD God of gods, the LORD God of gods, he knoweth, and Israel he shall know; if it be in rebellion, or if in transgression against the LORD, (save us not this day,)

<sup>23</sup> That we have built us an altar to turn from following the LORD, or if to offer thereon burnt offering or meat offering, or if to offer peace offerings thereon, let the LORD himself require it;

<sup>24</sup> And if we have not rather done it for fear of this thing, saying, In time to come your children might speak unto our children, saying, What have ye to do with the LORD God of Israel?

<sup>25</sup> For the LORD hath made Jordan a border between us and you, ye children of Reuben and children of Gad; ye have no part in the LORD: so shall your children make our children cease from fearing the LORD.

<sup>26</sup> Therefore we said, Let us now prepare to build us an altar, not for burnt offering, nor for sacrifice:



<sup>27</sup> But that it may be a witness between us, and you, and our generations after us, that we might do the service of the LORD before him with our burnt offerings, and with our sacrifices, and with our peace offerings; that your children may not say to our children in time to come, Ye have no part in the LORD.

<sup>28</sup> Therefore said we, that it shall be, when they should so say to us or to our generations in time to come, that we may say again, Behold the pattern of the altar of the LORD, which our fathers made, not for burnt offerings, nor for sacrifices; but it is a witness between us and you.

<sup>29</sup> God forbid that we should rebel against the LORD, and turn this day from following the LORD, to build an altar for burnt offerings, for meat offerings, or for sacrifices, beside the altar of the LORD our God that is before his tabernacle.

<sup>30</sup> And when Phinehas the priest, and the princes of the congregation and heads of the thousands of Israel which were with him, heard the words that the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the children of Manasseh spake, it pleased them.

<sup>31</sup> And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest said unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the children of Manasseh, This day we perceive that the LORD is among us, because ye have not committed this trespass against the LORD: now ye have delivered the children of Israel out of the hand of the LORD.

<sup>32</sup> And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, and the princes, returned from the children of Reuben, and from the children of Gad, out of the land of Gilead, unto the land of Canaan, to the children of Israel, and brought them word again.

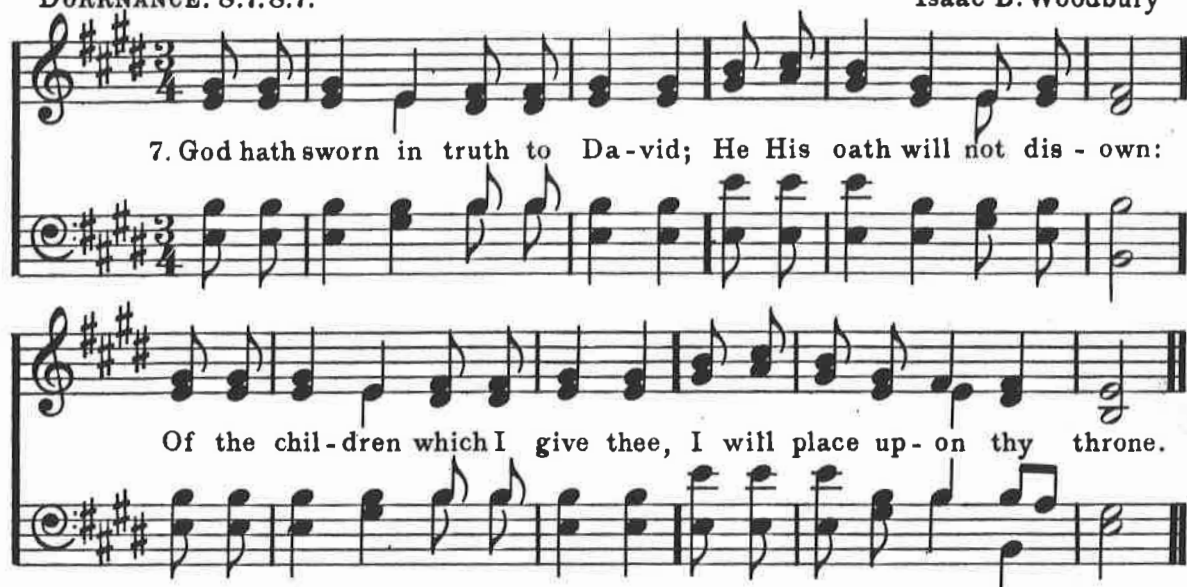
<sup>33</sup> And the thing pleased the children of Israel; and the children of Israel blessed God, and did not intend to go up against them in battle, to destroy the land wherein the children of Reuben and Gad dwelt.

<sup>34</sup> And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad called the altar Ed: for it shall be a witness between us that the LORD is God.

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Isaac B. Woodbury



7. God hath sworn in truth to Da-vid; He His oath will not dis - own:  
Of the chil - dren which I give thee, I will place up - on thy throne.

8. If thy sons will keep My cov'nant,  
And My teachings will obey,  
Then shall also children's children  
Sit upon thy throne for aye.

9. For the Lord hath chosen Zion,  
There hath He desired to dwell.  
'Tis My resting place forever;  
Here I'll stay, I love it well.

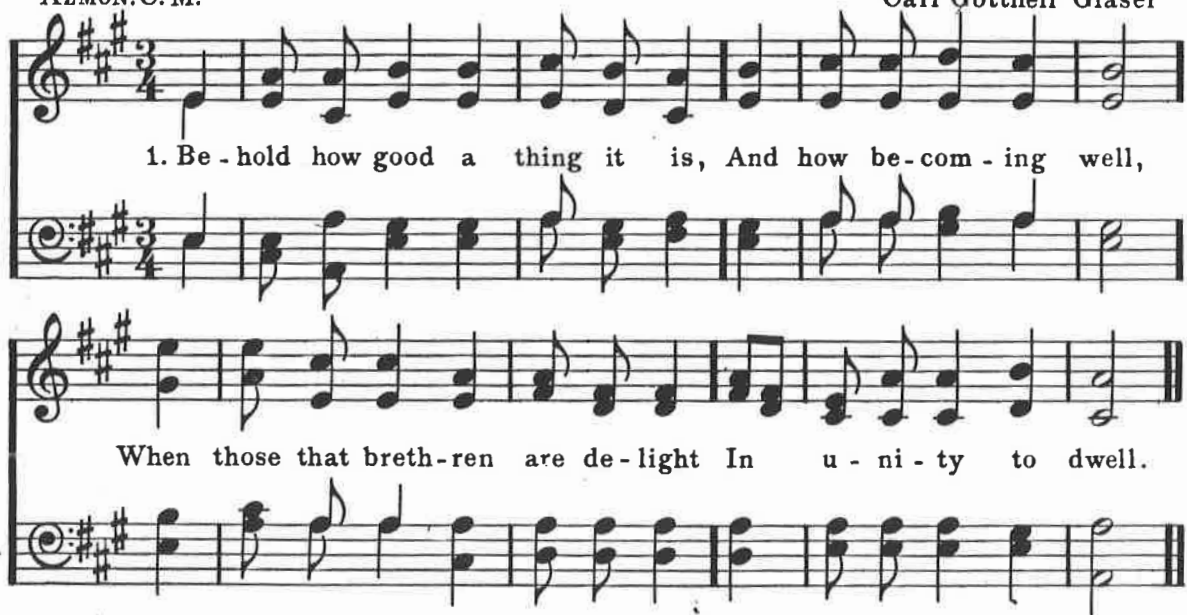
10. Richly blessing her provision,  
To her poor their bread I'll bring,  
Clothe her priests with My salvation;  
And her saints for joy shall sing.

11. I'll make David's power to flourish;  
Light is for My King ordained;  
I with shame His foes will cover,  
But His crown shall be maintained.

PSALM 133

AZMON. C. M.

Carl Gotthelf Glaser



1. Be - hold how good a thing it is, And how be - com - ing well,  
When those that breth - ren are de - light In u - ni - ty to dwell.

2. For it is like the precious oil  
Poured out on Aaron's head,  
The holy ointment cov'ring him,  
That on his garments spread.

3. Like Hermon's dew upon the hills  
Of Zion that descends;  
The Lord commands His blessing  
Ev'n life that never ends. [there,