

KNOX ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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Heidelberg Catechism:

Q. 41. Why was he also "buried"?

A. Thereby to prove that he was really dead.

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Acts 13:29-30 And when they had fulfilled all things that were written of him, they took him down from the tree, and put him in a sepulcher. But God raised him up from the dead.

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EMMANUEL. C. M.

L. van Beethoven

1. God stands in coun - cil of the great; He judg - eth gods a - mong.

How long ac - cept - ing per - sons vile Will ye give judg - ment wrong?

2. Judge ye the weak and fatherless;
To poor, distressed do right;
The weak and needy ones set free;
Save them from ill men's might.
3. But neither do they understand;
They knowledge do not take;
In darkness they walk to and fro;
All earth's foundations shake.
4. I said that ye are gods, the sons
Of Him that is Most High;
But as the princes ye shall fall,
And ye as men shall die.
5. O mighty God, do Thou arise;
The earth to judgment call;
For Thou as Thine inheritance
Shalt take the nations all.

ELIZABETHTOWN. C. M.

George Kingsley

1. Rest not, O God, nor hold Thy peace; O God, Thy si - lence break;

For, lo, Thy ha - ters raise the head; Thy foes a tu - mult make.

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| <p>2. Against Thine own, Thy hidden ones,
With craft they meet and plot;
Come now, say they, their race de-
Be Isr'el's name forgot. [stroy;</p> | <p>7. Yea, like Zalmunna make their chiefs;
Like Zeba let them die;
Who said, The dwelling-place of God
We'll take and occupy.</p> |
| <p>3. Against Thee they with one accord
In covenant combine;
The tents of Edom, Ishmael,
With Moab, Hagar's line;</p> | <p>8. O Thou, my God, make them to be
Like whirling dust that flies,
Like stubble blown before the wind
When winter storms arise.</p> |
| <p>4. Yea, Gebal, Ammon, Amalek,
Philistines, those of Tyre,
And joined with them Assyria,
To help Lot's race conspire.</p> | <p>9. As fire the forest burns, as flame
The mountain sets on fire,
Affright and chase them with the storm
And tempest of Thine ire.</p> |
| <p>5. Do Thou to them as once of old
Thou didst to Midian's pride;
To Jabin and to Sisera
At Kishon's river-side;</p> | <p>10. With shame their faces fill, O Lord,
That they may seek Thy name;
Dismayed forever let them be
And perish in their shame.</p> |
| <p>6. When they at Endor were destroyed
And fell to fat the earth.
Like Oreb and like Zeëb make
Their men of noble birth.</p> | <p>11. So shall they know that Thou alone,—
Jehovah is Thy name—
That Thou, Most High, o'er all the
Art evermore the same. [earth</p> |

Daniel 8

¹ In the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, even unto me Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first.

² And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I was at Shushan in the palace, which is in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai.

³ Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher came up last.

⁴ I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great.

⁵ And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes.

⁶ And he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power.

⁷ And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand.

⁸ Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.

⁹ And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

¹⁰ And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.

¹¹ Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of the sanctuary was cast down.

¹² And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.

¹³ Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?

¹⁴ And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

¹⁵ And it came to pass, when I, even I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man.

¹⁶ And I heard a man's voice between the banks of Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision.

¹⁷ So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end shall be the vision.

¹⁸ Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and set me upright.

¹⁹ And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be.

²⁰ The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia.

²¹ And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.

²² Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.

²³ And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.

²⁴ And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.

²⁵ And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.

²⁶ And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told is true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days.

²⁷ And I Daniel fainted, and was sick certain days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's business; and I was astonished at the vision, but none understood it.

Acts 14

¹ And it came to pass in Iconium, that they went both together into the synagogue of the Jews, and so spake, that a great multitude both of the Jews and also of the Greeks believed.

² But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles, and made their minds evil affected against the brethren.

³ Long time therefore abode they speaking boldly in the Lord, which gave testimony unto the word of his grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands.

⁴ But the multitude of the city was divided: and part held with the Jews, and part with the apostles.

⁵ And when there was an assault made both of the Gentiles, and also of the Jews with their rulers, to use them despitefully, and to stone them,

⁶ They were ware of it, and fled unto Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and unto the region that lieth round about:

⁷ And there they preached the gospel.

⁸ And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked:

⁹ The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,

¹⁰ Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.

¹¹ And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men.

¹² And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius, because he was the chief speaker.

¹³ Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city, brought oxen and garlands unto the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the people.

¹⁴ Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out,

¹⁵ And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:

¹⁶ Who in times past suffered all nations to walk in their own ways.

¹⁷ Nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.

¹⁸ And with these sayings scarce restrained they the people, that they had not done sacrifice unto them.

¹⁹ And there came thither certain Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and having stoned Paul, drew him out of the city, supposing he had been dead.

²⁰ Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city: and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

²¹ And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and to Iconium, and Antioch,

²² Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

²³ And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.

²⁴ And after they had passed throughout Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.

²⁵ And when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia:

²⁶ And thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace of God for the work which they fulfilled.

²⁷ And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.

²⁸ And there they abode long time with the disciples.

JERUSALEM. C. M.

Charles F. Roper



1. How dear to me, O Lord of hosts, The place where Thou dost dwell;
The ta - ber - nacles of Thy grace In pleas - ant-ness ex - cel.

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| <p>2. My spirit longs, yea even faints
Jehovah's courts to see;
My heart and flesh are crying out,
O living God, for Thee.</p> <p>3. Behold the sparrow findeth out
A house wherein to rest;
The swallow also for herself
Hath found a peaceful nest.</p> <p>4. And there securely sheltered she
Her young ones forth may bring;—
O for Thine altars, Lord of hosts,
Who art my God and King.</p> <p>5. How blessed the dwellers in Thy house;
They ever give Thee praise.
Yea, blessed the man whose strength
Thou art,
In whose heart are Thy ways;</p> <p>6. Who passing through the vale of tears
Make it a place of springs;
The early rain that falleth down
Rich blessings to it brings.</p> | <p>7. So they from strength unwearied go
Still forward unto strength,
Until in Zion they appear
Before the Lord at length.</p> <p>8. Hear Thou my prayer, Lord God of
hosts,
Thou God of Jacob's race.
O God our shield, behold and look
On Thine Anointed's face.</p> <p>9. For in Thy courts one day excels
A thousand days besides;
I'd rather at God's threshold serve
Than dwell where sin abides.</p> <p>10. For God the Lord, our Sun and Shield,
Will grace and glory give;
No good thing will the Lord withhold
From them that rightly live.</p> <p>11. O Thou Who art the Lord of hosts,
That man is truly blessed,
Who with unshaken confidence
On Thee alone doth rest.</p> |
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Hebrews 13

¹ Let brotherly love continue.

² Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.

³ Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; and them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body.

⁴ Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.

⁵ Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

⁶ So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

⁷ Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation.

⁸ Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

⁹ Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For it is a good thing that the heart be established with grace; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein.

¹⁰ We have an altar, whereof they have no right to eat which serve the tabernacle.

¹¹ For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp.

¹² Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate.

¹³ Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.

¹⁴ For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.

¹⁵ By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.

¹⁶ But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

¹⁷ Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

¹⁸ Pray for us: for we trust we have a good conscience, in all things willing to live honestly.

¹⁹ But I beseech you the rather to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner.

²⁰ Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant,

²¹ Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

²² And I beseech you, brethren, suffer the word of exhortation: for I have written a letter unto you in few words.

²³ Know ye that our brother Timothy is set at liberty; with whom, if he come shortly, I will see you.

²⁴ Salute all them that have the rule over you, and all the saints. They of Italy salute you.

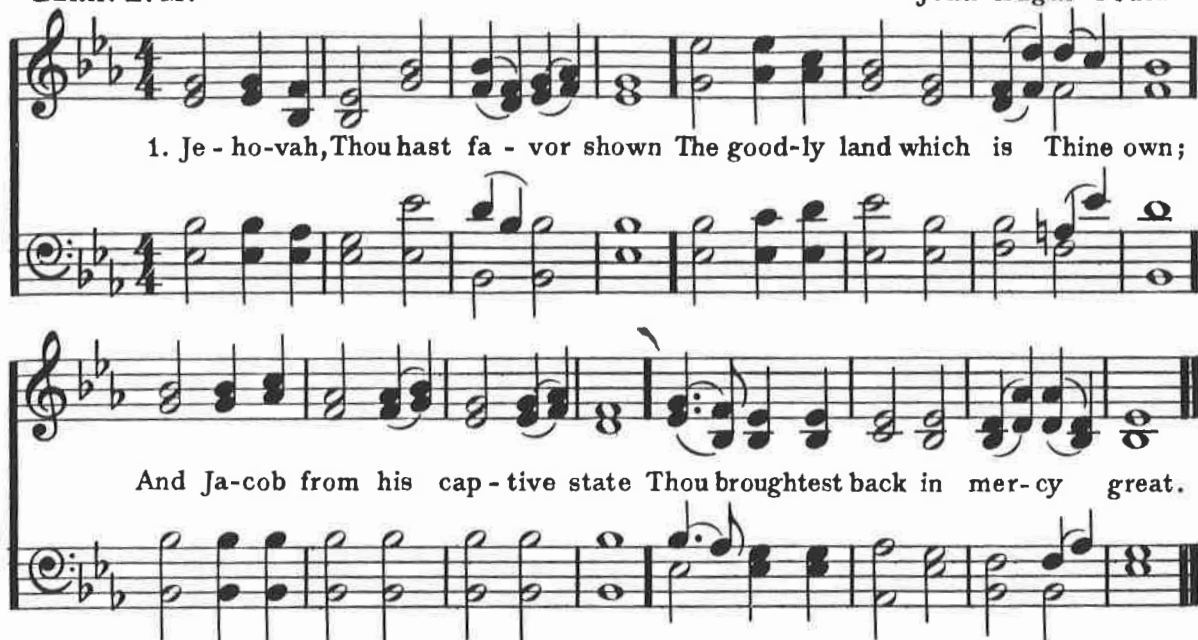
²⁵ Grace be with you all. Amen.

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BERA. L. M.

John Edgar Gould



1. Je - ho-vah, Thou hast fa - vor shown The good-ly land which is Thine own;
And Ja-cob from his cap - tive state Thou broughtest back in mer - cy great.

2. Forgiven have Thy people been,
And Thou hast covered all their sin;
Away hast taken all Thy wrath,
And turned from Thy fierce anger's
path.

3. O God of our salvation, turn.
Let indignation cease to burn.
Wilt Thou forever angry stay?
From age to age Thy wrath display?

4. Wilt Thou not quicken us once more,
Thy people's joy in Thee restore?
O Lord, to us Thy mercy show,
And Thy salvation now bestow.

5. I'll hear what God the Lord will speak;
Ev'n peace to those His face that seek,

And to His saints, if only they
No more in folly's path will stray.

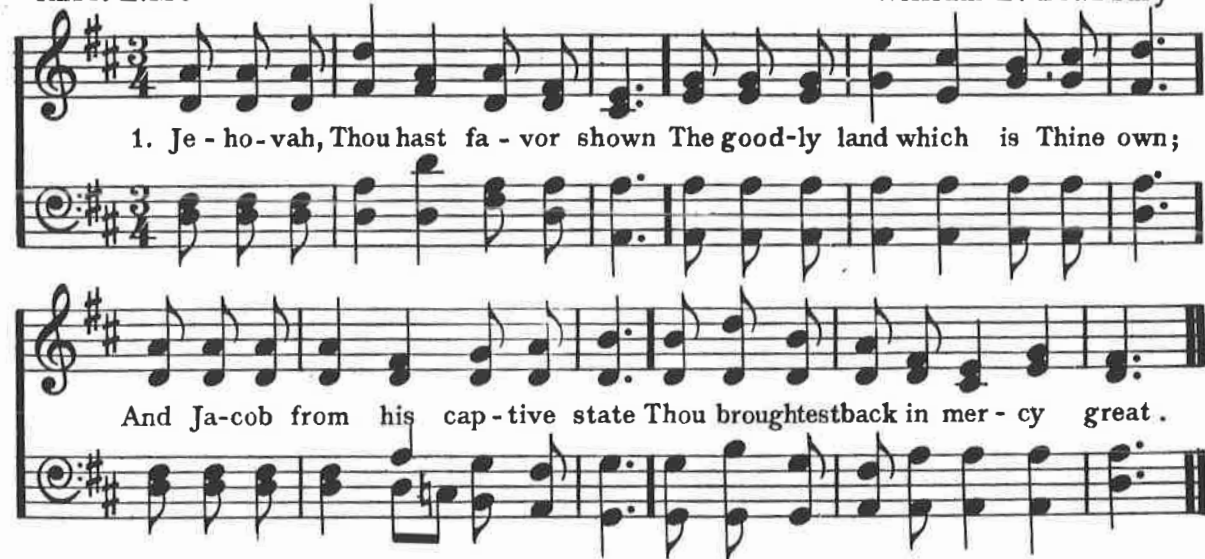
6. His saving help is surely near
To those who worship Him in fear,
That glory great may ever dwell
Within the land of Israel.

7. Together met are truth and grace,
While righteousness and peace embrace;
Truth, springing forth, the earth doth
crown, [down.
And righteousness from heav'n looks

8. The Lord will give us what is good;
Our land shall yield abundant food;
Before Him righteousness shall go,
And in His steps our pathway show.

REST. L.M.

William B. Bradbury



1. Je - ho-vah, Thou hast fa - vor shown The good-ly land which is Thine own;
And Ja-cob from his cap - tive state Thou broughtest back in mer - cy great.

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CONWELL. 11, 8, 11, 8.

J.K. Robb



1. At - tend Thou and an - swer; Je - ho - vah, give ear; I,
need - y and poor, make my plea; Pre - serve Thou my soul; save Thy
ser - vant, O Lord, For god - ly and trust - ing is he.

2. Since all the day long do I cry unto Thee,
Show mercy, O Lord, unto me.
The soul of Thy servant cause Thou to rejoice;
I lift up my soul unto Thee.
3. Thou, Lord, dost show mercy; forgiving Thou art;
Abundant Thy kindness and love
To those who sincerely upon Thee do call.
My voice, Lord, attend from above.
4. In day of my trouble upon Thee I'll call;
An answer for me Thou'lt prepare.
Among all the gods there is none like to Thee;
And no works with Thine can compare.
5. All nations whom Thou hast created, O Lord,
Shall come and Thy praises proclaim,
Before Thee shall worship, Thy name glorify.
Lord, wondrous and great is Thy name.

6. Thy way teach Thou me; I will walk in Thy truth;
Unite Thou my heart in Thy fear.
My Lord and my God with my whole heart I'll praise,
And ever Thy name will revere.
7. For great are Thy love and Thy kindness to me.
My soul from the grave Thou dost raise,
The proud and the violent seek for my life,
Forgetful of Thee and Thy praise.
8. But Thou, Lord, art merciful; gracious Thou art,
Abundant in truth and in love.
Turn Thou unto me; Thy rich grace now bestow;
Thy servant make strong from above.
9. The son of Thine handmaid redeem by Thy grace;
A token for good show Thou me;
That all those who hate me may see and be shamed.
My comfort and help are in Thee.

PSALM 87

ST. LEONARD, C. M.

Henry Smart

1. Up - on the hills of ho - li - ness He His foun - da - tion sets.

A - bove all Ja - cob's tents the Lord De - lights in Zi - on's gates.

2. Things glorious are said of thee,
Thou city of our God.
Both Egypt, Babylon, as friends
I will proclaim abroad;
3. Behold ev'n Tyrus and with it
The land of Palestine,
And likewise Ethiopia;
This one was born therein.
4. This man and that was born in her,
Of Zion they shall say;
And He that is Himself Most High
Shall stablish her for aye.
5. When God the people writes He'll count
That this man born was there.
The singers dancing say that all
Our fountains in thee are.

Mark 7

¹ Then came together unto him the Pharisees, and certain of the scribes, which came from Jerusalem.

² And when they saw some of his disciples eat bread with defiled, that is to say, with unwashen, hands, they found fault.

³ For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash their hands oft, eat not, holding the tradition of the elders.

⁴ And when they come from the market, except they wash, they eat not. And many other things there be, which they have received to hold, as the washing of cups, and pots, brassen vessels, and of tables.

⁵ Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him, Why walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashen hands?

⁶ He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.

⁷ Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

⁸ For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do.

⁹ And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.

¹⁰ For Moses said, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death:

¹¹ But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, It is Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; he shall be free.

¹² And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother;

¹³ Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

¹⁴ And when he had called all the people unto him, he said unto them, Hearken unto me every one of you, and understand:

¹⁵ There is nothing from without a man, that entering into him can defile him: but the things which come out of him, those are they that defile the man.

¹⁶ If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.

¹⁷ And when he was entered into the house from the people, his disciples asked him concerning the parable.

¹⁸ And he saith unto them, Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, it cannot defile him;

¹⁹ Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?

²⁰ And he said, That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.

²¹ For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,

²² Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness:

²³ All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.

²⁴ And from thence he arose, and went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and entered into an house, and would have no man know it: but he could not be hid.

²⁵ For a certain woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at his feet:

²⁶ The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought him that he would cast forth the devil out of her daughter.

²⁷ But Jesus said unto her, Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it unto the dogs.

²⁸ And she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs.

²⁹ And he said unto her, For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter.

³⁰ And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter laid upon the bed.

³¹ And again, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, he came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis.

³² And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him.

³³ And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue;

³⁴ And looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened.

³⁵ And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain.

³⁶ And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it;

³⁷ And were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well: he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

Judges 18

¹ In those days there was no king in Israel: and in those days the tribe of the Danites sought them an inheritance to dwell in; for unto that day all their inheritance had not fallen unto them among the tribes of Israel.

² And the children of Dan sent of their family five men from their coasts, men of valour, from Zorah, and from Eshtaol, to spy out the land, and to search it; and they said unto them, Go, search the land: who when they came to mount Ephraim, to the house of Micah, they lodged there.

³ When they were by the house of Micah, they knew the voice of the young man the Levite: and they turned in thither, and said unto him, Who brought thee hither? and what makest thou in this place? and what hast thou here?

⁴ And he said unto them, Thus and thus dealeth Micah with me, and hath hired me, and I am his priest.

⁵ And they said unto him, Ask counsel, we pray thee, of God, that we may know whether our way which we go shall be prosperous.

⁶ And the priest said unto them, Go in peace: before the LORD is your way wherein ye go.

⁷ Then the five men departed, and came to Laish, and saw the people that were therein, how they dwelt careless, after the manner of the Zidonians, quiet and secure; and there was no magistrate in the land, that might put them to shame in any thing; and they were far from the Zidonians, and had no business with any man.

⁸ And they came unto their brethren to Zorah and Eshtaol: and their brethren said unto them, What say ye?

⁹ And they said, Arise, that we may go up against them: for we have seen the land, and, behold, it is very good: and are ye still? be not slothful to go, and to enter to possess the land.

¹⁰ When ye go, ye shall come unto a people secure, and to a large land: for God hath given it into your hands; a place where there is no want of any thing that is in the earth.

¹¹ And there went from thence of the family of the Danites, out of Zorah and out of Eshtaol, six hundred men appointed with weapons of war.

¹² And they went up, and pitched in Kirjathjearim, in Judah: wherefore they called that place Mahanehdan unto this day: behold, it is behind Kirjathjearim.

¹³ And they passed thence unto mount Ephraim, and came unto the house of Micah.

¹⁴ Then answered the five men that went to spy out the country of Laish, and said unto their brethren, Do ye know that there is in these houses an ephod, and teraphim, and a graven image, and a molten image? now therefore consider what ye have to do.

¹⁵ And they turned thitherward, and came to the house of the young man the Levite, even unto the house of Micah, and saluted him.

¹⁶ And the six hundred men appointed with their weapons of war, which were of the children of Dan, stood by the entering of the gate.

¹⁷ And the five men that went to spy out the land went up, and came in thither, and took the graven image, and the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image: and the priest stood in the entering of the gate with the six hundred men that were appointed with weapons of war.

¹⁸ And these went into Micah's house, and fetched the carved image, the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image. Then said the priest unto them, What do ye?

¹⁹ And they said unto him, Hold thy peace, lay thine hand upon thy mouth, and go with us, and be to us a father and a priest: is it better for thee to be a priest unto the house of one man, or that thou be a priest unto a tribe and a family in Israel?

²⁰ And the priest's heart was glad, and he took the ephod, and the teraphim, and the graven image, and went in the midst of the people.

²¹ So they turned and departed, and put the little ones and the cattle and the carriage before them.

²² And when they were a good way from the house of Micah, the men that were in the houses near to Micah's house were gathered together, and overtook the children of Dan.

²³ And they cried unto the children of Dan. And they turned their faces, and said unto Micah, What aileth thee, that thou comest with such a company?

²⁴ And he said, Ye have taken away my gods which I made, and the priest, and ye are gone away: and what have I more? and what is this that ye say unto me, What aileth thee?

²⁵ And the children of Dan said unto him, Let not thy voice be heard among us, lest angry fellows run upon thee, and thou lose thy life, with the lives of thy household.

²⁶ And the children of Dan went their way: and when Micah saw that they were too strong for him, he turned and went back unto his house.

²⁷ And they took the things which Micah had made, and the priest which he had, and came unto Laish, unto a people that were at quiet and secure: and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and burnt the city with fire.

²⁸ And there was no deliverer, because it was far from Zidon, and they had no business with any man; and it was in the valley that lieth by Bethrehob. And they built a city, and dwelt therein.

²⁹ And they called the name of the city Dan, after the name of Dan their father, who was born unto Israel: howbeit the name of the city was Laish at the first.

³⁰ And the children of Dan set up the graven image: and Jonathan, the son of Gershom, the son of Manasseh, he and his sons were priests to the tribe of Dan until the day of the captivity of the land.

³¹ And they set them up Micah's graven image, which he made, all the time that the house of God was in Shiloh.

THE BOOK OF PSALMS
PSALM 88

MERSINE. 10, 10, 10, 10.

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1. O Lord, the God of my sal-va-tion tried, All day and
night be-fore Thee I have cried. O let my prayer be-
fore Thy pres-ence rise; In-cline Thine ear to hear my plead-ing cries.

2. My soul is full of anxious cares and gloom;
My weary life draws nigh the silent tomb.
I'm held as those that to the pit descend,
As one to whom no helping hands extend.
3. As one cast off among the dead am I;
I'm like the slain that in the grave do lie,
Whom Thou no more in mem'ry dost retain,
Who in Thy saving hand no more remain.
4. By Thee within the lowest pit I'm laid.
In deeps and in the place of darkest shade;
Thy weighty wrath lies heavy on my soul,
And all Thy waves of trouble o'er me roll.

Deuteronomy 33

1 And this is the blessing, wherewith Moses the man of God blessed the children of Israel before his death.

2 And he said, The LORD came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir unto them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and he came with ten thousands of saints: from his right hand went a fiery law for them.

3 Yea, he loved the people; all his saints are in thy hand: and they sat down at thy feet; every one shall receive of thy words.

4 Moses commanded us a law, even the inheritance of the congregation of Jacob.

5 And he was king in Jeshurun, when the heads of the people and the tribes of Israel were gathered together.

6 Let Reuben live, and not die; and let not his men be few.

7 And this is the blessing of Judah: and he said, Hear, LORD, the voice of Judah, and bring him unto his people: let his hands be sufficient for him; and be thou an help to him from his enemies.

8 And of Levi he said, Let thy Thummim and thy Urim be with thy holy one, whom thou didst prove at Massah, and with whom thou didst strive at the waters of Meribah;

⁹ Who said unto his father and to his mother, I have not seen him; neither did he acknowledge his brethren, nor knew his own children: for they have observed thy word, and kept thy covenant.

¹⁰ They shall teach Jacob thy judgments, and Israel thy law: they shall put incense before thee, and whole burnt sacrifice upon thine altar.

¹¹ Bless, LORD, his substance, and accept the work of his hands; smite through the loins of them that rise against him, and of them that hate him, that they rise not again.

¹² And of Benjamin he said, The beloved of the LORD shall dwell in safety by him; and the Lord shall cover him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders.

¹³ And of Joseph he said, Blessed of the LORD be his land, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for the deep that coucheth beneath,

¹⁴ And for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon,

¹⁵ And for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things of the lasting hills,

¹⁶ And for the precious things of the earth and fulness thereof, and for the good will of him that dwelt in the bush: let the blessing come upon the head of Joseph, and upon the top of the head of him that was separated from his brethren.

¹⁷ His glory is like the firstling of his bullock, and his horns are like the horns of unicorns: with them he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth: and they are the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they are the thousands of Manasseh.

¹⁸ And of Zebulun he said, Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out; and, Issachar, in thy tents.

¹⁹ They shall call the people unto the mountain; there they shall offer sacrifices of righteousness: for they shall suck of the abundance of the seas, and of treasures hid in the sand.

²⁰ And of Gad he said, Blessed be he that enlargeth Gad: he dwelleth as a lion, and teareth the arm with the crown of the head.

²¹ And he provided the first part for himself, because there, in a portion of the lawgiver, was he seated; and he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the LORD, and his judgments with Israel.

²² And of Dan he said, Dan is a lion's whelp: he shall leap from Bashan.

²³ And of Naphtali he said, O Naphtali, satisfied with favour, and full with the blessing of the LORD: possess thou the west and the south.

²⁴ And of Asher he said, Let Asher be blessed with children; let him be acceptable to his brethren, and let him dip his foot in oil.

²⁵ Thy shoes shall be iron and brass; and as thy days, so shall thy strength be.

²⁶ There is none like unto the God of Jeshurun, who rideth upon the heaven in thy help, and in his excellency on the sky.

²⁷ The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy them.

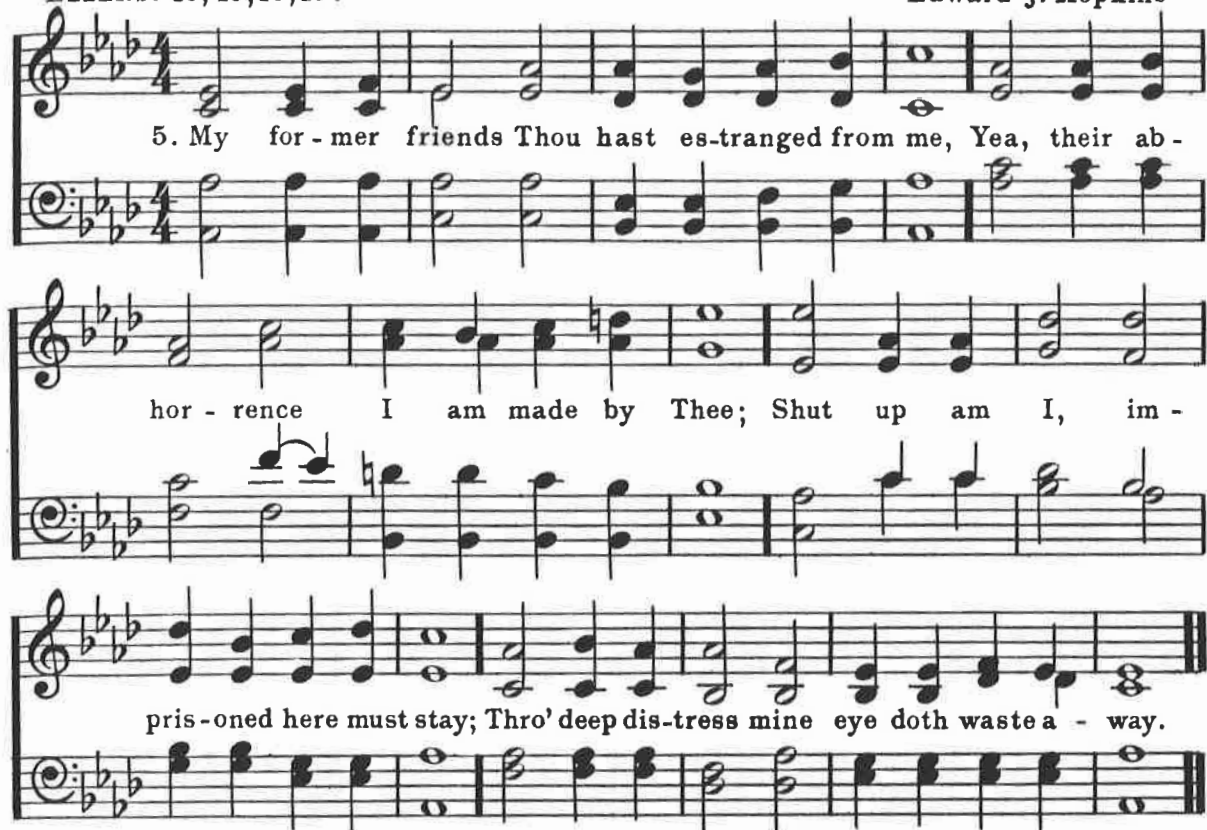
²⁸ Israel then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountain of Jacob shall be upon a land of corn and wine; also his heavens shall drop down dew.

²⁹ Happy art thou, O Israel: who is like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD, the shield of thy help, and who is the sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places.

PSALM 88

ELLERS. 10, 10, 10, 10.

Edward J. Hopkins



5. My for-mer friends Thou hast es-tranged from me, Yea, their ab-
hor-rence I am made by Thee; Shut up am I, im-
pris-oned here must stay; Thro' deep dis-tress mine eye doth waste a-way.

6. O Lord, I've daily called upon Thy name,
Spread forth my hands Thy gracious help to claim.
Thy wonders wilt Thou make the dead to know?
And shall the dead arise Thy praise to show?
7. Shall Thy great love within the grave be shown?
Or shall Thy truth be in destruction known?
Who shall Thy wondrous righteousness confess
In that dark land of deep forgetfulness?
8. But unto Thee, Jehovah, I have cried;
My prayer shall rise to Thee with morningtide.
O Lord, why dost Thou cast my soul from Thee?
Why dost Thou hide Thy gracious face from me?
9. From youth distressed and nigh to death am I;
Distracted while Thy terrors on me lie.
Thine anger fierce has overwhelmed my soul;
To cut me off, Thy terrors round me roll.
10. Around they surge like billows all day long;
About my soul they gather dark and strong.
Each lover, friend, Thou hast put far from me,
And mine acquaintance into darkness flee.