## Chapter 10

See the argument of the 9. Chapter, which comprehendeth the contents of this also.

Exo. 13, 22. Nu. 8, 8. Exo. 14, 22. Exo. 16, 15. Exo. 17, 6. Nu. 20, 10.

Nu. 26, 63.

Nu. 11, 4. Exo. 32, 6.

Nu. 25, 1.

Nu. 21, 5.

Nu. 11, 23. 14, 37.

Tentatiõ hath not apprehended

ἔχβασιν

or I wil not have you ignorant, Brethren, that our Fathers were al vnder the cloud, & al paffed through the fea, <sup>2</sup> and al in Moyfes were baptized in the cloud and in the fea: 3 and al did eate the fame fpiritual food, 4 and ald drunke the fame fpiritual drinke (and they drunke of the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Chrift.) <sup>5</sup> But in the more part of them God was not well pleafed. For they were ouerthrowen in the defert. <sup>6</sup> And thefe things were done in a figure of vs, that we be not coueting euil things, as they also coueted. 7 Neither become ye Idolaters, as certaine of them: as is written: The people fate downe to eate and drinke, and rofe vp to play. 8 Neither let vs fornicate, as certaine of them did fornicate, and there fel in one day three and twentie thousand. 9 Neither let vs tempt Chrift, as certaine of them tempted, and perifhed by the ferpents. <sup>10</sup> Neither doe you murmure, as certaine of them murmured, and perifhed by the deftroyer. 11 And al thefe things chanced to them in figure: but they are written to our correption, vpon whom the ends of the world are come. 12 Therfore he that thinketh himfelf to ftand, let him take heed a)left he fal. 13 'Let not tentation apprehend' you, but humane. And God is faithful, who wil not fuffer you to be tempted aboue that which you are able: but wil make also with tentation iffue, that you may be able to fufteine.

<sup>14</sup> For the which caufe, my Deareft, fly from the feruing of Idols. <sup>15</sup> I fpeake <sup>1</sup> as to wife men: your felues iudge what I fay. <sup>16</sup> The chalice of benediction <sup>1</sup> which we doe bleffe, is it not the communication of the bloud of Chrift? and the bread which we break, is it not <sup>1</sup> the

It is profitable to al, or in a manner to al, for to keep them in humilitie, not to know what they shal be, faith S. Augustin. Which maketh against the vaine securitie of the Protestants.

participation of the body of our Lord? <sup>17</sup> For being many, we are one bread, one body, al that participate of one bread. <sup>18</sup> Behold Ifrael according to the flefh: othey that eate the Hofts, are they not partakers of the altar? <sup>19</sup> What then? doe I fay that that which is immolated to Idols, is any thing? or that the Idol is any thing? <sup>20</sup> But the things that the Heathen doe immolate, to Diuels they doe immolate, and not to God. And I wil not haue you become fellowes of Diuels. <sup>21</sup> You can not drinke the chalice of our Lord, and the chalice of Diuels: you can not be opartakers of the table of our Lord, and of the table of Diuels. <sup>22</sup> Or doe we emulate our Lord? Why, are we ftronger then he?

Al hthings are lawful for me, but al things are not expedient. 23 Al things are lawful for me, but al things doe not edifie. 24 Let no man feeke his owne, but another man's. <sup>25</sup> Al that is fold in the fhambles eate: asking no queftion for confcience. 26 The earth is our Lordes, and the fulnes theref. 27 If any inuite you of the infidels, and you wil goe; eate of al that is fet before you, asking no question for conscience. 28 But if any man fay: This is immolated to Idols; doe not eate for his fake that flewed it, and for confcience: <sup>29</sup> confcience I fay not thine but the other's. For why is my libertie iudged of another man's confcience? 30 If I participate with thankes; why am I blasphemed for that which I give thankes for? <sup>31</sup> Therfore whether you eate, or drinke, or doe any other thing; doe al things vnto the glorie of God. 32 Be without offense to the Iewes & to the Gentils, & to the Church of God: <sup>33</sup> as I also in al things doe please al men, not feeking that which is profitable to my felf, but which is to many; that they may be faued.

## Annotations

Pf. 23, 1.

3 The fame.) The red fea and the cloud, a figure of our Baptisme: the Manna from Heauen and water miraculously drawen out of the rock, a figure of the holy Sacrament of Christes body and bloud: our Sacrament containing the things and graces

The old figures of our Sacraments.

Calu. in hunc loc.

in truth, which theirs only fignified. And it is an impudent forgerie of the Caluinifts, to write vpon this place, that the Iewes received no leffe the truth and fubftance of Chrift and his benefits in their figures or Sacraments, then we doe in ours: and that they and we all eate and drinke of the felf fame meate and drinke: the Apoftle faying only, that they among themfelues did all feed of one bread, & drinke of one rock: which was a figure of Chrift, therin efpecially, that out of Chriftes fide pearced vpon the Croffe gushed out bloud and water for the matter of our Sacraments.

We receive greater benefits by our Sacraments then the Iewes did by theirs.

15 As to wife men.) To cause them to leaue the Sacrifices and meats or drinkes offered to Idols, he putteth them in mind of the only true Sacrifice and meate and drinke of Christes body and bloud: of which, and the Sacrifice of Idols also, they might not be in any case partakers. Vfing this terme, ut prudentibus loquor, in the same sense (as it is thought) as the Fathers of the primitiue Church did giue a watch-word of keeping secret from the Insidels and vnbaptized, the mysterie of this diuine Sacrifice, by these wordes, Norunt sideles, norunt qui initiati sunt. August, in Pf. 39. & 33. Conc. 1. 2. & Pf. 109. Ho. 41. c. 4. in lib. 50. hom. Orig. in Leuit. ho. 9. Chrys. ho. 27. in Gen. in since ho. 51. ad po. Antioch. ho. 3. in 1. Tim. S. Paul saith: I speake to you boldly of this mysterie as to the wifer and better instructed in the same.

The Apoftle and ancient fathers fpeake couertly of the B. Sacrament.

Calix cui benedicimus ὃ εὐλογοῦμεν 16 Which we bleffe.) That is to fay, the Chalice of Confecration which we Apoftles and Priefts by Chriftes commission doe confecrate: by which fpeach as well the Caluinists (that vse no confecration of the cup at al, blasphemously calling it magical murmuration, and peruersely referring the benediction, to thankesgiuing to God) as also the Lutherans be refuted, who affirme Christes body & bloud to be made present by receiuing and in the receiuing only. For the Apostle expressly referreth the benediction to the chalice, and not to God, making the holy bloud and the communicating thereof the effect of the benediction.

The Apostles bleffed the Chalice, & fo confecrated.

16 The participation of the body.) The holy Sacrament and Sacrifice of Chrift's body and bloud being received of vs, ioyneth vs in foul & body and engrafteth vs into Chrift himfelf, making vs partakers, and as a peece of his body & bloud. For not by love or fpirit only (faith S. Chryfoftom) but in very deed we are vnited in his flesh, made one body with him, members of his flesh and bones. Chryf. ho. 45. in Io. fub finem. And S. Cyril, Such is the force of myftical benediction that it maketh Chrift corporally by communicating of his flesh to dwel in vs. Cyril. li. 10. in Io. c. 13.

Our vniting to Chrift by the B. Sacrament.

17 One bread, one body.) As we be first made one with Christ by eating his body and drinking his bloud, so fecondly are we coniouned by this one bread which is his body, & cup which is his bloud, in the perfect vnion and fellowship of al Catholike men, in one Church which is his body Mystical. Which name of

Our vnion among our felues by the B. Sacrament. Body myftical is fpecially attributed and appropriated to this one Common-wealth and Societie of faithful men, by reafon that all the true perfons and true members of the fame, be marueloufly knit together by Chriftes owne one body, and by the felf-fame bloud in this diuine Sacrament. See S. Aug. li. 21. c. 25. de ciu. Dei. Hilar. li. 8. de Trin. circa med.

18 They that eate the Hofts.) It is plaine also by the example of the Iewes in their Sacrifices, that he that eateth any of the Hoft immolated, is partaker of the Sacrifice, and ioyned by office and obligation to God, of whose Sacrifice he eateth.

20 I wil not haue you.) I conclude then (faith the Apoftle) thus: that as the Chriftian which eateth and drinketh of the Sacrifice or Sacrament of the altar, by his eating is participat of Chriftes body, and is ioyned in fellowship to al Chriftian people that eate & drinke of the fame, being the Hoft of the new Law: and as al that did eate of the Hofts of the Sacrifices of Moyfes Law were belonging & affociated to that ftate and to God to whom the Sacrifice was done; euen fo whofoeuer eateth of the meates offered to Idols, he sheweth & profeffeth himfelfe to be of the Communion and Societie of the fame Idols.

21 You cannot drinke.) Vpon the premiffes he warneth them plainely, that they muft either forfake the Sacrifice & fellowship of the Idols & Idolaters, or els refufe the Sacrifice of Chrift's body and bloud in the Church. In al which difcourfe we may observe that our bread and chalice, our table and altar, the participation of our Hoft and oblation, be compared or refembled point by point, in al effects, conditions, and proprieties, to the altars, Hofts, Sacrifices and Immolations of the Iewes and Gentils. Which the Apostle would not, nor could not have done in this Sacrament of the Altar, rather then in other Sacraments or feruice of our religion, if it only had not been a Sacrifice and the proper worship of God among the Christians, as the other were among the Iewes and Heathen. And fo doe all the Fathers acknowledge, calling it only, & continually almost, by fuch terms as they doe no other Sacrament or ceremonie of Christes religion: The lamb of God laid vpon the table: Conc. Nic. the vnbloudy feruice of the Sacrifice, In Conc. Ephef. ep. ad Neftor. pag. 60. the Sacrifice of Sacrifices, Dionyf. Ec. Hier. c. 3. the quickning holy Sacrifice: the vnbloudy Hoft and Victime: Cyril. Alex. in Conc. Ephef. Anath. 11. the propitiatorie Sacrifice both for the liuing and the dead: Tertul. de cor. Milit. Chryf. ho. 41. in 1. Cor. Ho. 3. ad Philip Ho. 66. ad po Antioch. Cypr. ep. 66. & de cæn. Do. nu. 1. August. Ench. 109. Quæst. 2. ad Dulcit. to. 4. Ser. 34. de verb. Apoft. the Sacrifice of our Mediatour: the Sacrifice of our price; the Sacrifice of the new Testament: the Sacrifice of the Church: August. li. 9. c. 13. & li. 3. de bapt. c. 19. the one only inconfumptible Victime without which there is no religion: Cyprian de cæn. Do nu. 2. Chryf. ho. 17. ad Hebr. The pure Participation in Sacrament or facrifice, sheweth of what focietie we

The facrifice of the altar is proued by the Apoftles comparison with the facrifices of Iewes and Gentils.

It is proued to be a facrifice, out of the fathers.

Cypr. Iuftin. Irenæ. infra.

Oblation, the new Offering of the new Law: the vital and impolluted Hoft: the honourable and dreadful Sacrifice: the Sacrifice of thankes-giuing or Euchariftical: and the Sacrifice of Melchifedech. Which Melchifedech by his Oblation in bread and wine did properly and most fingularly prefigure this office of Christes eternal Priefthood & facrificing himfelf vnder the formes of bread and wine: which shal continue in the Church throughout al Christian Nations infteed of al the Offerings of Aarons Priefthood, as the Prophet Malachie did foretel; as S. Cyprian, S. Iuftine, S. Irenæus and other most ancient Doctours and Martyrs doe testifie. Cypr. ep. 63. nu. 2. Iuftin. Dial cum Trypho poft med. Irenæ. li. 4. c. 32. And S. Augustin li. 17. c. 20. de ciu. Die. & li. 1. cont. adu. log. & proph. c. 12. & li. 3. de bapt. c. 19. S. Leo fer. 8. de Passione: and others doe expressly auouch that this one Sacrifice hath fucceeded al other & fulfilled al other differences of Sacrifices: that it hath the force and vertue of al other, to be offered for al perfons and causes that the others, for the liuing and the dead, for the finnes and for thankes-giuing, and for what other necessitie foeuer of body or foule. Which holy action of Sacrifice they also cal the Masse in plaine words. August. fer. 251. 91. Con. Cartha. 2. c. 3. 4. c. 84. Mileuit. 12. Leo. ep. 88. 81. c. 2. Greg. li. 2. ep. 9. 91. &c. This is the Apoftles and Fathers doctrine. God grant the Aduerfaries may find mercie to fee fo euident and inuincible a truth.

The Fathers called this facrifice, the MASSE.

The diftinctiò of Chriftian Catholikes frõ the reft, is by not cõmunicating with the fpecially in their Sacrifices, and at the Communion table.

The heretikes Communion is the very table and cup of Diuels.

21 Partakers of the table.) Though the faithful people be many waies knowen to be God's peculiar, and be ioyned both to him & among themselues, & also severed & diffinguished from al others that pertaine not to him, as wel Iewes and Pagans, as Heretikes and Schifmatikes, by fundry other external fignes of Sacraments, doctrine, and gouernement: yet the most proper & fubftantial vnion or difference confifteth in the Sacrifice and altar: by which God fo fpecially bindeth his Church vnto him, & himfelf vnto his Church, that he acknowledgeth none to be his, that is not partaker of his one only Table and Sacrifice in his Church: and acquitteth himfelf of al fuch as iovne in fellowship with any of the Heathen at their Idolatrie, or with the Iewes at their Sacrifices, or with Heretikes and Schifmatikes at their prophane and deteftable table. Which because it is the proper badge of their feparation from Chrift and his Church; and an altar purpofely erected against Christes Altar, Priesthood, and Sacrifice, is indeed a very Sacrifice, or (as the Apoftle here fpeaketh) a table and cup of Diuels, that is to fay, wherin the Diuel is properly ferued, and Chriftes honour (no leffe then by the altars of Ieroboam or any prophane fuperfittious rites of Gentilitie) defiled. And therfore al Catholike men, if they look to have fellowship with Chrift and his members in his body and bloud, muft deeme of it as of Idolatrie or facrilegious fuperfittion, and abstaine from it and from al focietie of the fame, as good Tobie did from Ieroboams calues

3. Reg. 12.

Malac. 1, 11.

Amb. ep. 33.

Tob. 1.

3. Reg. 12.

and the altars in Dan and Bethel: and as the good faithful did from the Excelfes and from the Temple and Sacrifices of Samaria. Now in the Christian times we have no other Idols but herefies, nor Idolathytes, but their false feruices shifted into our Churches infteed of God's true, and only worship. Cyp. de vnit. Ec. nu. 2. Hiero. in 11. Ofee. & 8. Amos. & in 2. Habac. Aug. in pf. 80. v. 10. De Ciu. Dei. li. 18. c. 51.

22 Al things are lawful.) Hitherto the Apoftles arguments and examples whereby he would auert them from the meates offered to Idols, feeme plainly to condemne their fact as Idololatrical, or as participant and acceffory to Idolatrie, and not only as of fcandal given to the weake Brethren: and fo no doubt it was in that they went into the very Temple of the Idols, and did with the reft that ferued the Idols eate and drinke of the flesh and libaments directly offered to the Idol, yea and feafted together in the fame bankets made to the honour of the fame Idols: which could not but defile them and entangle them with Idolatrie: not for that the meate itself was inftly belonging to any other but to God, or could be defiled, made noifome or vnlawful to be eaten; but for and in respect of the abuse of the same and detestable dedicating of that to the diuel, which belonged not to him, but to God alone. Of which facrilegious act they ought not to be partakers, as needs they must entring & eating with them in their folemnities. To this end hath S. Paul hitherto admonished the Corinthians.

Now he declareth that otherwife in prophane feafts it is lawful to eate without curious doubting or asking whether this or that were offered meates, and in markets to buy whatfoeuer is there fold, without fcruple and without taking knowledge whether it be of the Idolathytes or not: with this exception, first, that if one should inuite him to eate, or buy this or that as facred and offered meates, that then he should not eate it, left he should seeme to approue the offering of it to the Idol, or to like it the better for the same. Secondly, when the weake Brother may take offence by the same. For though it be lawful in itself to eate any of these meates without care of the Idol; yet al lawful things be not in euery time and place expedient to be done.

How by participation with Idolaters, Idolatrie is committed.

How to avoid fcandal in things indifferent.