Psalme 15

Chrift, by the mouth of Dauid, declareth his future victory, and triumph ouer the world, 9. and death.

Of Chrifts victorie. The 5. kev.

The a)infcription of the title b)to Dauid him felf.

referue c)me Ô Lord, because I haue hoped in thee.

3 I haue faid to our Lord: Thou art my God, because thou d)needest not my goods.

- $^{4~\mathrm{e})}\mathrm{To}$ the fainctes, that are in his land, he hath made al my willes meruelous in them.
- 5 Their infirmities were $^{\rm f)}$ multiplied: afterward they $^{\rm g)}$ made haft.

I wil not affemble their h)conuenticles of bloud: neither wil I be mindful of their h)names by my lippes.

- $^{6\; \rm j)} \rm Our \; Lord$ the portion of myne inheritance, and of my $^{\rm k)} \rm cuppe$: thou art he, that wil reftore myne inheritance vnto me.
- $^{7 \text{ l}}$)Cordes are fallen to me in goodly places: for $^{\text{m}}$)mine inheritance is goodlie vnto me.
- ⁸ I wil bleffe our Lord, who hath ⁿ)geuen me vn-derftanding: moreouer also euen til ^o)night, my ^p)veines

^a Stylographia fignifieth a thing most worthie to be noted, to witte, Christ crucified.

^b and most worthie of the Prophets confideration.

^c Chrift as man did often pray, as appeareth in the Gofpel.

^d Chrifts paffion was not needful nor profitable to God, but to man.

^e God fpeaketh shewing that Chrift should make his meruelous charity knowen to his Apoftles, and other feruantes.

f Men feeling their infirmities and miferies,

g make haft in feeking remedies.

h Sacrifices to idols shal ceafe in Gentiles.

ⁱ Their names shal be changed from heathen to be called Chriftians.

j Eternal glorie cofifteth in feing God.

^k God is the reward of fuffering paines for Chrift.

¹ In diuifion of temporal inheritance, land is measured by cordes: as *Iofue. 10.* fo portions in heaven are geuen with large measure.

^m Chrift also received al nations for his inheritance.

ⁿ Wifdome to make good election of fpiritual thinges rather then temporal.

O Not only by day, but also by night.

haue rebuked me.

Act. 2. v. 25.

- ⁹ I ^{a)}forfaw our Lord in my fight alwaies: because he is ^{b)}at my right hand, that I be not moued.
- ¹⁰ For this thing my hart hath beene glad, and my tongue hath reioyced: moreouer also my flesh shal reft in hope.

Act. 2. & 13.

11 Because thou wilt •not leave my soule in c)hel: neither wilt geue d)thy holie one to see corruption.

Thou haft made e)the waies of life known to me, thou shalt make me ful of ioy with f)thy countenance: delectations on thy right hand, euen to g)the end.

Annotations

6 Our Lord the portion of myn inheritance.) Chrift whom the Iewes expected as an earthlie conquerour, that fhould advance himfelf and them temporally in this world, was in dede, as the children and multitude called him, king of Ifrael. (Ioan. 12.) At which time (as also before) he exercised temporal Iurisdiction, in correcting abuses in the Temple (Mat. 21. Ioan. 2.) And when Pilate demanded of him, if he were a king (Ioan. 18. v. 37.) he answered: Thou faift, that I am a king. For this I was borne, and for this came I into the world, that I fhould geue testimonie to the truth. And though he answered withal, that his kingdom (to witte the poffession, and vse therof) was not of this world, yet Pilate by Gods prouidence, writte the title, and would not alter it, IESVS of Nazareth King of the Iewes. But Chrifts chief inheritance, and reward of his merites is God himfelf, as here he professeth by his prophet Dauid: which is also the only true & perfect inheritance of al Chrifts feruates, vvherfore Clergy men more particularly professe the same, when they first enter into their fpiritual ftate, addicting and dedication them felues to ferue God in Ecclefiaftical function, not for temporal inheritance, but for a better lotte, God himfelf, who is al Good, and most perfect

Chrift a King fometimes exercifed temporal iurifdiction.

God the proper inheritãce of Chrift, and Chriftians.

Clergie men profeffe exprefly to ferue God, for God him felfe not for temporal profite.

 $^{^{\}rm p}\,$ Alfo my corporal paines geue me inftruction.

^a Chrift had God continually before his eyes: euerie man ought to thincke frequently of God,

b for God ftil protecteth the iuft.

^c In limbo patrum.

^d Chrifts body corrupted not in the graue.

^e Death and refurrection is the way to life.

f Perfect glorie confifteth in feing God.

g in eternity.

goodnes, true riches, and eternal inheritance. In which election of ftate to liue and ferue God in, euerie Clergie man fayth: Our Lord is the portion of myn inheritance, and of my cuppe: Thou art he that vvil reftore myn inheritance vnto me. Man calleth it his inheritance, because he was created to serue God, and for his seruice to inherite God: which reward though he lost by sinne, yet euerie one returning to Gods seruice, and perseuering therin, recouereth by Christ, new right and title to the same inheritance, performing their duties in their seueral vocations. Some traueling in the world, but not louing it: others sequestered from secular affayres, duly administring sacred offices, more peculiarly called Diuine seruice.

Pfal. 61. v. 11. 1. Tim. 2. v. 4.

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11 Not leaue my foule in hel.) How Caluin and Beza fometimes corrupt this text, alwayes peruert the fenfe, and most absurdly oppose them selues against all ancient holie Fathers, concerning the Article of Christs descending in soule into that part of hel called Limbus patrũ, is largely noted Gen. 37. Act. 2. & 1. Pet. 3. Only here we may not omitte to aduertise the reader, that some Protestants Bibles permitting the word hel to remaine in the text, a latter Edition for hel, putteth graue, with this only note in the former place, that this is chiefly meant of Christ by whose Resurrection al his members have immortality. And Act. 2. they repete their new text by this paraphrasis: Thou shalt not leave me in the grave. VVresting that which perteineth to the bodie, rising from the grave, to the soule, which was not at al in the grave, al the time the bodie lay there.

Protestantes denying that Christ descended into limbus translate graue for hel.