

Psalme 55

Dauid being in danger before Achis king of Geth, confidently imploreth Gods helpe, againft the great malice and powre of his enimies; 8. foresheweth their ruine, his owne exaltation, 12. and offereth praifes and thanks.

Dauids prayer
in danger.
The 8. key.

Vnto ^athe end, ^bfor a people, that is made far from the Sainctes, Dauid in ^cthe infcription of the title, ^dwhen the foreners held him in Geth. (*1. Reg. 12. v. 12.*)

Hauē mercie on me ô God, becaufe ^eman hath troden vpon me: ^fal the day impugning he hath afflicted me.

³ Myne enimies haue troden vpon me al the day: becaufe they are ^gmanie that warre againft me.

⁴ From ^hthe height of the day I shal feare: ⁱbut I wil truſt in thee.

⁵ In God I wil praife ^jmy wordes, in God haue I hoped: I wil not feare what flesh may do to me.

⁶ Al the day did they ^kdeteft my wordes; againft me, ^lal their cogitations are vnto euil.

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- ^a This Pfalme perteyneth alfo to future times,
^b for the vſe of anie iuſt perfons, or people, that are againft their wil ſeparated from the publike diuine Seruice of holie Church:
^c moſt worthie to be noted with title, for perpetual memorie,
^d made by Dauid when the Philiftims detected him to their king in Geth.
^e Now one fort of il diſpoſed men, now an other,
^f neuer ceaſe to feeke my deſtruction.
^g Saul with his great armie, the Philiftimes, and other ſtrangers, ſome in manifeſt hoſtilitie, others detecting and betraying me to myn aduerſaries. So al that liue godly in Chriſt haue manie enimies viſible and inuiſible.
^h Of theſe moſt eminent great dangers I am in deede afeard,
ⁱ but ſo that my truſt and affured confidence is in thee ô God.
^j Wordes and promiſes made to me; or the good which I ſpeake or do by Gods grace.
^k They calumniate whatſoeuer I fay,
^l wreſting al my wordes to euil ſenſe.

7 They wil ^a)inhabite and keepe fecket: they wil obferue my heele.

8 As they haue expected ^b)my foule, ^{9 c})for nothing shalt thou faue them: ^d)in wrath thou wilt breake peoples.

O God, ¹⁰ I haue shewed my life to thee: thou haft fet my teares in thy fight.

As also in thy promife: ¹¹ then shal mine enemies be turned backward.

In what day foeuer I shal inuocate thee: Loe I haue knowne that thou art my God.

¹² In God I wil praife ^e)the word, in our Lord wil I praife thee faying: I haue hoped in God, I wil not feare what man can do to me.

¹³ In me, ô God, ^f)are thy vowes, which I wil render, praifes to thee.

¹⁴ Because thou haft deliuered my foule from death, and my feete from falling: that I may ^g)please before God, in ^h)the light of the liuing.

^a They meete together, and feckretly confpire to intrappe me or catch me tripping.

^b To take my life:

^c for this their vaine purpofes to deftroy me, thou wilt faue them, as they deferue, that is,

^d thou wilt breake them in peeces.

^e I wil alwayes gratefully acknowlege thy promifes, and fayings, for they are affured.

^f I haue purpofed and vowed to offer facrifice of praife, and by thy helpe wil performe it.

^g Do that pleafeth God,

^h in true faith and pious workes.