

Psalm 74

*Christ (with his Affeffors) wil iudge the whole world, at the laft day: in the meane time exhorteth finners to amend their life; 7. for none fhall efcape iuft iudgement. 11. The wicked fhall be punished, and the good rewarded.*

General Iudgement.  
The 9. key.

Vnto the end, <sup>a)</sup>Corrupt not, a Pfalme of Canticle to Afaph.

**W**e <sup>b)</sup>wil confesse to thee ô God: <sup>c)</sup>we wil confesse, and wil inuocate thy name.

We wil tel thy merueloufe workes: <sup>3</sup> when <sup>d)</sup>I fhall take a time, I wil iudge iuftices.

<sup>4 e)</sup>The earth is melted, and al that dwel in it: <sup>f)</sup>I haue confirmed the pillers thereof.

<sup>5</sup> I faid to the wicked: <sup>g)</sup>Doe not wickedly: and to them that offend: <sup>h)</sup>Exalt not the horne.

<sup>6</sup> Exalt not your horne on high: fpeake not iniquitie aganft God.

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- <sup>a</sup> Either this was the beginning of a fongue, to the tune wherof this Pfalme was fong; as fome Hebrew Rabbins teftifie; or, as S. Auguftin and other fathers explicate, the Septuagint do admonifh vs, by occafion of this Pfalme, not to faile in our hope, for that God wil in no cafe violate his promife nor purpofe, but wil render to euerie one in the day of Iudgement, as they deferue.
- <sup>b</sup> Christ with his Apoftles, and other affefforie iudges, wil praife and thanke God, for his admirable good prouidence, and gouernement of this world.
- <sup>c</sup> This duplication of the fame word, confirmeth vs of the affured performance of that, which is here prophecied.
- <sup>d</sup> Christ our fingular, principal, and proper Iudge only, and no mere creature, knoweth the determinate time of general iudgement.
- <sup>e</sup> The earth at that time fhall be purged with flaming fire:
- <sup>f</sup> yet fhall not be deftroyed, but changed in qualities.
- <sup>g</sup> An epitome, or brieue fumme of Christs doctrine, to flee from finne.
- <sup>h</sup> Be not proud, abufe not the powre you haue, to do what you pleafe.

7 For neither from the East, nor from the West, nor from the desert mountanes: 8 <sup>a)</sup>because God is Iudge.

This <sup>b)</sup>man he humbleth, and him he exalteth, <sup>9 c)</sup>because there is a cuppe in the hand of our Lord <sup>d)</sup>of mere wine ful of mixture.

And he hath powred it out <sup>e)</sup>of this into that, but yet the dregges therof are not emptied: al the finners of the earth shal drinke.

<sup>10</sup> But I wil shew forth for euer: I wil fing to the God of Iacob.

<sup>11</sup> And I wil breake al the hornes of finners: and <sup>f)</sup>the hornes of the iuft shal be exalted.

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<sup>a</sup> VVhen other Iudges fitte on tribunales, some may be absent, or escape from their sentences: but al without exception shal be brought in persons, when Christ God and Man shal iudge.

<sup>b</sup> Some shal haue sentence of eternal paine in hel; some of eternal reward in glorie,

<sup>c</sup> though (partly in this world, partly in particular iudgement of euerie foule) God hath already, and wil before the laft day punish finners, yet there resteth more punishment, and no impenitent finners shal escape, but al shal drinke of the bitter cuppe of eternal damnation.

<sup>d</sup> Strong wine not delayde with water, but mingled with bitter sharpe things, as gal, vinegre, brimstone &c. and so powred into feftered woundes, so they shal suffer vntolerable endles paine, mixed with the worme of conscience, losse of glorie, rancor of hart, and eternal desperation.

<sup>e</sup> Varietie of hellish torments, from one extreme to an other: as from snowwaters to exceding heate. *Iob. 24.*

<sup>f</sup> The iuft for wel vsing their powre of freewil, and of al powre geuen them in this life, are rewarded in heauen.