

Psalme 74

*Chrift (with his Affeffors) wil iudge the whole world, at the laft day: in the meane time exhortheth 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 confeffe to thee ô God: <sup>c)</sup>we wil confeffe, 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: <sup>f</sup>peake not iniquitie aganft God.

<sup>7</sup> For neither from the Eaft, nor from the Weft, nor from the defert mountanes: <sup>8 i)</sup>becaufe God is Iudge.

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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> Chrift 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> Chrift 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 Chrifts doctrine, to flee from finne.

<sup>h</sup> Be not proud, abufe not the powre you haue, to do what you pleafe.

<sup>i</sup> VVhen other Iudges fitte on tribunales, fome may be abfent, or efcape from their fentences: but al without exception fhall be brought in perfons, when Chrift God and Man fhall iudge.

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

And he hath powred it out <sup>d)</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>e)</sup>the hornes of the iuft shal be exalted.

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- <sup>a</sup> Some shal haue fentence of eternal paine in hel; some of eternal reward in glorie,
- <sup>b</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>c</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 deperation.
- <sup>d</sup> Varietie of hellish torments, from one extreme to an other: as from snowwaters to exceding heate. *Iob. 24.*
- <sup>e</sup> The iuft for wel vsing their powre of freewil, and of al powre geuen them in this life, are rewarded in heauen.