

Psalme 82

The Church impugned by al fortes of enimies, 10. prayeth God to confound them, as she hath donne diuers the like, 17. wherby fome shal be conuerted.

Perfecuters of the Church confounded or conuerted. The 6. key.

A Canticle of Pfalme to Afaph.

Ô God ^{a)}who shal be like to thee? ^{b)}hold not thy peace, ^{c)}neither be thou appeafed ô God: ^{d)}For behold ^{e)}thine enimies haue made a found: they that hate thee, ^{f)}haue lifted vp the head.

⁴ They haue taken malignant counfel vpon thy people: and they haue deuifed againft thy faints.

⁵ They haue faide: Come, and let vs defstroy them out of ^{f)}the nation: and let ^{g)}the name of Ifrael be remembered no more.

⁶ Because they haue deuifed with one consent: they haue together made a couenant againft thee.

⁷ The tabernacles of ^{h)}the Idumeians, and ⁱ⁾the Ifmaelites, ^{j)}Moab, and ^{k)}the Agarens.

⁸ ^{l)}Gebal, and ^{m)}Ammon, and ⁿ⁾Amalec: ^{o)}the foreners, with ^{p)}the inhabitantes of Tyre.

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- ^a Seing none is like to thee ô God,
 - ^b shew thy powre and maieftie,
 - ^c be not filent.
 - ^d The cruel perfecuters are moft infolent,
 - ^e and proud.
 - ^f That there be no more anie faithful people,
 - ^g anie Catholiques leift aliue.
 - ^h The progenie of Efau,
 - ⁱ the feede of Ifmael,
 - ^j defcending from the elder fonne of Lot.
 - ^k The iffue of Abraham by Agar, who fallfly cal them felues Sarafcens, as if they were of Sara.
 - ^l People of Gebal a citie of Syria,
 - ^m of the other fonne of Lot.
 - ⁿ Thofe that firft oppugned the Ifraelites, after they were parted from Ægypt. *Exo. 17.*
 - ^o The Philiftians,
 - ^p and Tyrians, al nere neighbours, and fome of them nere akine to the Ifraelites, were their great enimies.

⁹ Yea and ^a)Affur alfo is come with them: they are made an aide to the children of Lot.

¹⁰ Doe to them as ^b)to Madian, and ^c)Sifara: as to ^d)Iabin in the torrent Ciffon.

¹¹ They perished ^e)in Endor: they were made as ^f)the dung of the earth.

¹² Put their princes as ^g)Oreb, and Zeb, and Zebee, and Salmana.

Al their princes: ¹³ which haue faide: Let vs poffeffe the Sanctuarie of God for an inheritance.

¹⁴ My God put them ^h)as a wheele: and as ftubble before the face of the winde.

¹⁵ Euen as fire that burneth a wood & as a flame that burneth the mountaines:

¹⁶ So shalt thou purfew them in thy tempeft: and in thy wrath thou shalt trouble them.

¹⁷ Fil their faces with ignominie: and ⁱ)they wil feeke thy name, ô Lord.

¹⁸ Let ^j)them be ashamed, and troubled for euer and euer: and let them be confounded, and perish.

^a Others alfo coming further of, ioyned againft Gods people, in figure that al heretikes, and other infidels confpire together againft Catholiques.

^b The Pfalmift therefore prayeth (and withal prophecieth) that God wil at laft deftroy them, as he did Madian. *Num. 31. Iudic, 6. & 7.*

^c Sifara captaine general,

^d for Iabin king of Afor nere Ciffon. *Iudic. 4. v. 7. & 23.*

^e Within the territorie of Manaffes (*Iof. 17.*) which they inuaded.

^f Slaine and not buried.

^g Thefe foure princes of the Madianites were flaine by Gedeons forces. *Iudic. 7. & 8.*

^h By foure fimilitudes the prophet defcribeth the punishment that shal fal vpon perfecuters.

ⁱ God by punishing feeketh the conuerfion of finners, not their eternal death.

^j But fuch as be ftill obftinate, and finally impenitent do perish for euer.

¹⁹ And let them know that ^aLord is thy name, thou
only the Higheft in al the earth.

^a God only the creator of heauen and earth is properly called LORD:
VVhose effential, and incommunicable name is VVHICH IS. *Exo. 3.*
v. 14. & 6. v. 3.