

Psalme 85

In confideration of his owne imperfections, the royal prophet, or other faithful perfon prayeth God, 5. according to his mercie and goodnes, 9. shewed in conuerting Gentiles, 13. and in deliuering the fupplicant him felf from the ftate of damnation, 16. that he wil ftill direct and defend him againft al enimies.

A prayer for continual grace. The 7. key.

A praier ^{a)}to Dauid him felfe.

Incline thine eare ô Lord, and ^{b)}heare me: ^{c)}becaufe I am needie and poore.

² Keepe my foule, becaufe ^{d)}I am holie: faue thy feruant my God, that ^{e)}hopeth in thee.

³ Haue mercie on me ô Lord, becaufe I haue cried to thee ^{f)}al the day: ⁴ make ioyful the foule of thy feruant, becaufe to thee ô Lord haue I ^{g)}lifted vp my foule.

⁵ Becaufe thou ô Lord art ^{h)}fwete, and ⁱ⁾milde: and ^{j)}of much mercie to al that inuocate thee.

⁶ ^{k)}Receiue ô Lord my praier with thine ears: and attend to the voice of my petition.

⁷ In the day of my tribulation I haue called to thee: becaufe thou haft heard me.

⁸ There is not the like to thee amongft goddes ô Lord: and there is not according to thy workes.

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- ^a A forme of prayer for king Dauid, and for anie faithful perfon.
^b There be fundrie iuft caufes which moue God to heare our prayers:
^c firft our neceffitie requireth Gods helpe.
^d Secondly becaufe we professe, and promife to lead a holie life.
^e Thirdly, becaufe we trust and hope in God.
^f Fourthly, becaufe we perfeuere in prayer.
^g Fifthly, if we pray with attention of mind.
^h Sixtly becaufe God of his owne nature is benigne, readie to beftow benefites.
ⁱ Seuently, he is meeke to remitte offences.
^j Eightly, he is merciful to mitigate the punifhment, to thofe that make recourfe vnto him.
^k For thefe caufes we pray as foloweth.

^{9 a)}Al nations whatfoeuer thou haft made, shal ^{b)}come, and shal adore before thee ô Lord: and they shal ^{c)}glorifie thy name.

¹⁰ Because thou art great and doing meruelous thinges: thou onlie art God.

¹¹ Conduct me ô Lord in thy way, and I wil walke in thy truth: let my hart reioyce that it may feare thy name.

¹² I wil ^{d)}confeffe to thee ô Lord my God with al my hart, and wil glorifie thy name for euer:

¹³ Because thy mercie is great vpon me: and thou haft deliuered my foule out of ^{e)}the lower hel.

¹⁴ Ô God the wicked are risen vp vpon me, and the fynagogue of the mightie haue fought my foule: and they haue not fet thee in their fight.

¹⁵ And thou ô Lord the God of compaffion and merciful, patient, and of much mercie, and ^{f)}true.

¹⁶ Haue respect to me, and haue mercie on me, ^{g)}giue thine empire to thy feruant: and faue the sonne of thy handmaide.

¹⁷ Make with me ^{h)}a signe vnto God, that they may see which hate me, and may be confounded: ⁱ⁾because thou ô Lord haft holpen me.

^a Vocation of Gentiles.

^b They shal come by faith,

^c and glorifie God by good workes. *Mat. 5. v. 17.*

^d Confession of praise.

^e From the state of eternal damnation.

^f In performing al promises.

^g A digression (vsual to prophetes) of Christs Empyre and Kingdome the Church, geuen to him, being the sonne of an immaculate virgin, the handmaide of God.

^h The chief and principal signe of Christs, and his Churchs glorie, is his Resurrection, præfigured in Ionas.

ⁱ VVherby al enimies are confounded, either to their conuerfion, or to eternal damnation. See *S. Auguftin.*