

Psalme 106

Againe the Pfalmift inuiteth al men to render thanks to God for their deliuerie from dangers, or euils in general: 4. particularly from dangers in iorney, 10. in prifon, or captiuitie, 17. in ficknes fpiritual and corporal, 23. in nauigation, 33. defcribing the changeable courfe of things in this world, 38. efpecially of mens ftates; 42. for al which the iuft wil praife God.

Gods perpetual prouidence towards al men. The 3. key.

Alleluia.

1. Par. 16.
v. 34.

Confesse ^{a)}ye to our Lord becaufe he is good: becaufe his mercie is for euer.
² Let them fay that are ^{b)}redemed of our Lord, whom he redemed out of the hand of the enemie: and out of the countries he gathered them:
³ From ^{c)}the rifing of the funne, and the going downe: from the north, and the fea.
⁴ They ^{d)}wandered in the wildernes, in a place without water: the way of the citie for habitation they found not.
⁵ Hungrie and thirftie: their foule fainted in them.
⁶ And ^{e)}they cried to our Lord when they were in tribulation: and he deliuered them out of their neceffities.
⁷ And he conducted them in to the right way: to goe into a citie of habitation.
⁸ Let ^{f)}the mercies of our Lord confesse to him: and his meruelous workes to the children of men.

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- ^a Praife God by confeffing his mercie, prouidence, and goodnes.
 - ^b God of his mercie promifed the Redemer of mankind ftreight after Adams fal:
 - ^c VVhich redemption was intended for al, and faileth not of Gods part in anie, but of mens owne wilful refufing to be duly penitent, and to kepe Gods precepts.
 - ^d Literally of fuch as wander in this world, hauing no fetled place to dwel in: fpiritually of al mankind after his fal.
 - ^e Whenfoeuer they cal vpon God, he helpeth them, as is beft for their fpiritual health.
 - ^f Al Gods benefites, which are of his mercie, not of mans deferte, are iuft matter of praifing God.

⁹ Because he hath filled the emptie foule: and the hungrie foule he hath filled with good things.

¹⁰ Them that fate in darkenes, and in the shadow of death: bound in needines, and yron.

¹¹ Because they ^a)exasperated the wordes of God: and they prouoked the counfel of the Higheft.

¹² And their hart was humbled in labours: they were weakened, neither was there anie to helpe.

¹³ And they cried to our Lord when they were in tribulation: and he deliuered them out of their neceffities.

¹⁴ And he brought them out of darkenes, and the shadow of death: and brake their bondes afunder.

¹⁵ Let the mercies of our Lord confesse to him: and his meruelous workes to the children of men.

¹⁶ Because he hath deftroyed the gates of braffe: and the barres of yron he hath broken.

¹⁷ He hath receiued them out of the way of their iniquitie: for they were humbled for their iniuftices.

¹⁸ Their foule did abhorre al meate: & they approached euen to the gates of death.

¹⁹ And they cried to our Lord when they were in tribulation: and he deliuered them out of their neceffities.

²⁰ He fent his word, and healed them: and deliuered them out of their deftructions.

²¹ Let the mercies of our Lord confesse to him: and his meruelous workes to the children of men.

²² And let them facrifice the facrifice of praife: and shew forth his workes in exultation.

²³ They that goe downe into the fea in shippes, making trafike in the great waters.

²⁴ They haue fene the workes of our Lord, and his meruelous thinges in the depth.

²⁵ He fayd, and the blaft of the ftorme ftood: and the waues therof were exalted.

²⁶ They afcend euen to the heauens, and they defcend euen to the depthes: their foule pyned away in euils.

²⁷ They were trubled, and were moued as a drunken man: and al their wifedom was deuoured.

^a Calamities in this world are commonly inflicted for finnes.

28 And ^a)they cried to our Lord when they were in tribulation, and he brought them out of their neecessities.

29 And he turned his ftorme into calme: and the waues therof were quiet.

30 And they reioyced becaufe they were quiet: and he conducted them into the hauen of their wil.

31 Let ^b)the mercies of our Lord confesse to him: and his meruelous workes to the children of men.

32 And let them exalt him in the church of the people: and the chayre of the ancientes let them praife him.

33 ^c)He turned ^d)the riuers into a defert: and the iffues of waters into drineffe.

34 The ^e)fruitful land into a falt ground, for the malice of them that inhabite it.

35 He turned the defert into pooles of waters: and the land without water into iffues of waters.

36 And he placed the hungrie there, and they built a citie of habitation.

37 And they fowed fildes, and planted vineyardes: and they made fruitce ^f)of natiuitie.

38 And he bleffed them, and they were multiplied excedingly: and their beaftes he leffened not.

^a As before in the 6, 13, and 19. verfes.

^b This verfe alfo is foure times in this Pfalme v. 8, 15, 21, and 31. to admonifh vs, that as there is one meanes to efcape from al dangers by crying to God, as v. 6, 13. 19. and 28. with mourning and penance: fo there is one caufe of praife and thanks for our deliuerie, which is Gods mercie and grace.

^c God to fhew fometimes his powre, alfo to benefite fome, and to punifh others, changeth the accuftomed courfe of thinges, and ftates of men, at his diuine pleafure; as here, the Royal prophet reciteth fome examples. And fome others are recorded in diuers times and places.

^d No doubt much change was made in the earth by Noes flood. And manie thincke that the land of Chanaan, was made more fruitful in the time of the Iewes inhabiting, and now is more barrane againe.

^e He alludeth to the countrie about Sodome, and Gomorre, which was moft fruitful, and moft pleafant, *Gen. 13. v. 10.* but fhortly after vvas burnt vvith fire and brimftone, *Gen. 19. v. 24.* fubuerted, and turned into a dead and falt fea.

^f Made abundance of fruit to grow.

39 And ^a)they were made fewe: and were vexed by the tribulation of euiles, and with forow.

40 Contempt was powred out vpon princes: and he made them wander where was no way, and not in the way.

41 And he ^b)did helpe the poore out of pouertie: and made families as sheepe.

42 The iuft shal fee, and shal reioyce: & al iniquitie shal ftoppe her mouth.

43 Who is wife and wil keepe thefe thinges? and wil vnderftand the mercies of our Lord?

^a Againe fome countries punished for finnes.

^b An other change in releeuing the poore being humbled.