

Psalme 125

Israelites releafed from captiuitie of Babylon, much more the bleffed both of the old and new testamēt deliuered by Christ from captiuitie of finne, do reioyce: 5. who neuertheles muſt paffe through tribulation to eternal felicitie.

The deliuered from captiuitie reioyce.
The 7. key.

A gradual Canticle.

When our Lord turned the captiuitie of Sion: we were made as ^{a)}men comforted.
² Then was our mouth replenished with ioy: and our tongue with exultation.

Then ^{b)}shal they fay among the Gentiles: Our Lord hath done magnifically with them.

³ ^{c)}Our Lord hath done magnifically with vs: we are made ioyful.

⁴ ^{d)}Turne our captiuitie ô Lord, ^{e)}as a torrent in the South.

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- ^a The Iewves releafed from captiuitie, vvere excedingly, and almoſt incredibly comforted, as men for great, and vnexpected fudaine ioy thinke it rather a dreame, then a truth that they are deliuered from miferies. So S. Peter vvhen he vvas deliuered out of prifon by an Angel, thought it rather a vifion, then a true deliuerie. Such ſpiritual ioy deuoute foules haue vvhen they are deliuered from finne.
- ^b VVheras in the tvvo former verſes (and very commonly) the Prophet ſpeaketh in the preter tenſe, for the affurance of that he foreſhevveh, as if it vvere already donne, yet here he vttereth his prophecie in the future tenſe, that the Gentiles wil confeſſe that God dealeth magnifically vvith his people.
- ^c The people alfo themſelues gratefully confeſſe that God dealeth magnifically vvith them.
- ^d The Prophet forſeing al this in ſpिरite, prayeth for the performance hereof.
- ^e And that it may ſpedely be done, as a torrent that runneth in the fouth part of the vvorld is commonly very great, much defired, but ſcarfe expected.

⁵ a)They that fow in teares, ^b)shal reape in ioy-
fulneffe.

⁶ Going they went and wept, cafting their feedes.

⁷ But coming they shal come with exultation, cary-
ing their sheaues.

^a This is the ordinarie difpofition of God, that his feruants fhall make their feeding, vvhich is, doe good vvorkes (faith S. Auguftin) vvith teares, in tribulation vpon earth:

^b and reape a plentiful harueft, the revvard of their fuffering and vvell vvorking, in the next life. In affured hope vvherof the Pfalmift, and the vvhole Church ioyfully conclude this Pfalme vvith the vvvo vvorfes folovving.