

Psalme 149

The Church is most fingularly bond to praife God, 4. for the grace, fanctitie, victorie, glorie, 7. and iudicial powre, which he geueth to his Sainctes.

The Church
muft euer praife
God.
The 6. key.

Alleluia.

Sing ye to our Lord a new fong: let his prayfe be in ^a)the Church of fainctes.

² Let Ifrael be ioyful in him, that made him: and let the children of Sion reioyce in their king.

³ Let them praife his name in quire: on tymbrel, and pfalter let them fing to him:

⁴ Because our Lord is wel pleafed in his people: and he wil exalt the meeke vnto faluation.

⁵ The fainctes shal reioyce in glorie: they shal be ioyful in ^b)their beddes.

⁶ The ^c)exaltation of God in their throte: and ^d)two edged fwordes in their handes.

^a God our Lord whom al creatures are bond to praife, only accepteth thofe mens praifes, that liue in his holie Church.

^b Eternal reft.

^c Hieght praifes of God fhall be continually vttered by Sainctes in glorie: for ftill as praifes paffe by their tongues and mouthes, more like praifes fhall fuccede from their throte, and hartie affection, fo out of the abundance of the hart their mouth fhall ftill fpeake Gods praife.

^d Glorified Sainctes fhall alfo haue iudiciarie povvre. Firft, al in general fhall like and approue Gods iuftice in punifhing the vvicked. Secondly the vvicked fhall be iuftly condemned in comparifon of the bleffed, vvho paffed through, and ouercame the like, yea and greater tribulations and tentations then thofe, by vvvhich the damned vvvere ouercome. Thirdly, certaine more excellent Sainctes, namely the Apoftles, and al thofe that forfaking proprietie of temporal goodes, geue that they haue to the poore, as fome religious Orders doe; or into a Communitie as the Apoftles, and manie primitive Chriftians did (*Mat. 4. v. 20. Cap. 19. v. 17. Act. 4. v. 34. 1. Cor. 6. v. 3.*) fhall fitte in iudgement feates, affefforie iudges with Chrifft, and iudge thofe that render account, of wel or euil fpending the temporal landes or goodes, which they poffeffed in this vvorld. So teach S. Auguftin, S. Beda and others.

⁷ To doe reuenge in the nations: chaftifements among the peoples.

⁸ To binde their kinges in fetters: and their nobles in yron manicles.

⁹ That they may doe in them the iudgement that is ^a)written: ^b)this glorie is to al his fainctes. Alleluia.

^a Decreed by God.

^b This iudicial povvre is part of Sainctes glorie.