Chapter 22

King Dauids Canticle of thankefgeuing, for his deliverie from al enemies: 44. VVith a prophecie of the rejection of the Iewes, and vocation of the Gentiles.

nd Dauid fpake to our Lord the wordes of this fong, in ^{a)}the day that our Lord deliuered him out of the hand of al his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul. ² And he fayd:

Our Lord is my rocke, and my ftrength, and my fauiour.

- ³ God is my ftrong one, I wil hope in him: my shilde, and the horne of my faluation: my lifter vp, and my refuge: my fauiour, from iniquitie thou wilt deliuer me.
- 4 Our Lord prayfe worthie wil I inuocate: and from mine enemies I fhal be faued.
- ⁵ Because the pangues of death haue compassed me: the streames of Belial haue terrified me.
- ⁶ The ropes of hel haue compaffed me: the fnares of death haue preuented me.
- ⁷ In my tribulation I wil inuocate our Lord, and I wil crie my God: and he wil heare my voice out of his holie temple, and my crie shal come to his eares.
- ⁸ The earth quaked and trembled, the fundations of the mountaynes were ftrycken, and fhaken, because he was angrie with them.
- ⁹ A fmoke arose out of his nosethrels, and a fyre from his mouth shal deuoure: coles were kindled from him.

^a After that Dauid was deliuered from the handes of Saul (who first and longest & most dangerously of al men persecuted him, and therfore is here specially named) and from al his enimies, corporal & spiritual, when he had good repose of mind, his visible enimies being subuerted, and his sinnes remitted, acknowledging Gods infinite goodnes, by inspiration of the Holie Ghost, made this Canticle of thanksgeuing, and praise of God.

It is inferted amongft the Pfalmes the 17. in order, alone in fense, so differing in some wordes that the one explicate the other.

- ¹⁰ And he bowed the heauens, and defcended: and mifte vnder his feete.
- ¹¹ And he afcended vpon the Cherubins, and flew: and flidde ouer the winges of the winde.
- ¹² He put darkenes round about him a couer: ftilling waters out of the clowdes of heauen.
- ¹³ By the shyning in his prefence: the coles of fire were kindled.
- $^{14}\,\mathrm{Our}\,\mathrm{Lord}$ wil thunder from heauen: and the high one wil geue his voice.
- ¹⁵ He shot his arrowes and difperfed them: lightning, and confumed them.
- ¹⁶ And the ouerflowinges of the fea appeared, and the fundations of the world were difcouered at the rebuking of our Lord, at the breathing of the fpirit of his furie.
- ¹⁷ He fent from hygh heauen, and tooke me, and drewe me out of manie waters.
- $^{18}\,\mathrm{He}$ deliuered me from my most mightie enemie, and from them that hated me: because they were stronger then I.
- ¹⁹ He preuented me in the day of my affliction, and our Lord became my ftay.
- ²⁰ And he brought me forth into latitude, he deliuered me, because I well pleased him.
- ²¹ Our Lord wil reward me according to my inftice: and according to the cleannes of my handes wil he render to me.
- ²² Because I have kept the wayes of our Lord, and have not done impiously, from my God.
- 23 For al his iudgements are in my fight: and his preceptes I have not removed from me.
- ²⁴ And I shal be perfect with him: and shal keepe my felf from myne iniquitie.
- ²⁵ And our Lord wil reftore vnto me according to my iuftice: and according to the cleannes of my handes in the fight of his eyes.
- ²⁶ With the holie one thou shalt be holie: and with the ftrong perfect.

- ²⁷ With the elect thou shalt be elect: and with the peruerfe thou shalt be peruerted.
- ²⁸ And the poore people thou wilt faue: and the haughtie in thyne eies thou wilt humble.
- ²⁹ Because thou art my lampe ô Lord: and thou wilt illuminate my darkenes.
- $^{30}\,\mathrm{For}$ in thee I wil runne girded: in my God I wil leape ouer the wal.
- ³¹ God, his way immaculate, the word of our Lord is examined by fyre: he is the fhield of al that truft in him.
- $^{32}\,\mathrm{Who}$ is God befide our Lord: and who is ftrong befide our God?
- ³³ God who hath girded me with ftrength: and made euen my perfect way.
- ³⁴ Making my feete equal with the hartes, and fetting me vpon my high places.
- 35 Teaching my handes vnto battel: and framing myne armes as it were a brafen bow.
- ³⁶ Thou haft geuen me the fhield of thy faluation: and thy mildenes hath multiplied me.
- ³⁷ Thou fhalt enlarge my fteppes vnder me: and myne ankles fhal not fayle.
- ³⁸ I wil purfew myne enemies, and bruife them: and wil not returne til I confume them.
- $^{39}\,\mathrm{I}$ wil confume and breake them, that they rife not: they fhal fal vnder my feete.
- ⁴⁰ Thou haft girded me with ftrength to battel: thou haft bowed vnder me them that refift me.
- ⁴¹ Myne enemies thou haft made to turne to me the backe: them that hated me, and I shal deftroy them.
- 42 They shal crie, and there shal not be to faue, to our Lord, and he wil not heare them.
- ⁴³ I wil deftroy them as the duft of the earth: as the myre of the ftreates wil I bruife and breake them.

- ⁴⁴ Thou wil faue me from the contradictions of my people: thou wilt keepe me to be ^{a)}the head of the Gentiles: the people which I knowe not, wil ferue me.
- ⁴⁵ The children alienes wil refift me, with the hearing of the eare they wil obey me.
- ⁴⁶ The children alienes are fallen away, and shal be ftraytened in their diftreffes.
- ⁴⁷ Our Lord liueth, and my God is bleffed: and the ftrong God of my faluation shal be exalted.
- $^{48}\,\mathrm{God}$ which geueft me reuenges, and throweft downe peoples vnder me.
- ⁴⁹ Which bringeft me out from myne enemies, and from them that refift me doft lift me vp: from the wicked man thou shalt deliuer me.
- ⁵⁰ Therfore wil I confesse vnto thee ô Lord among the Gentiles, and wil sing to thy name.
- ⁵¹ Magnifying the faluations of his king, and doing mercie to his Chrift Dauid, and to his feede for euer.

^a Though fome few Gentiles were fubdued by Dauid, and fome were converted to true religion in the old Teftamet: yet the ful conversion of Gentiles perteineth to the Church of Chrift, which is here forshewed and described to have perpetual seede for ever.