

THE GLORY OF GOD.

VI. *God's Law in Nature and in Man.*

PSALM 19.

- M.* The heavens declare the glory of God ; the firmament showeth forth the works of His hands.
- C.* Day uttereth instruction unto day, and night showeth knowledge unto night.
- They have no speech nor language, and their voice is not heard ;
- Yet their sound goeth forth to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.
- In them hath He set a tabernacle for the sun, which like a bridegroom he cometh forth from his chamber, and rejoiceth, like a hero, to run his course.
- He goeth forth from the extremity of heaven, and maketh his circuit to the end of it ; and nothing is hid from his heat.
- The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul ; the precepts of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.
- The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart ; the commandments of the Lord are pure, enlightening the eyes.
- The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever ; the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- More precious are they than gold ; yea, than much fine gold ; sweeter than honey and the honeycomb.

By them also is Thy servant warned, and in keeping
of them there is great reward.

Who knoweth his own offenses? O, cleanse Thou
me from secret faults!

Keep back also Thy servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not have dominion over me!

Then shall I be upright, and free from gross trans-
gression.

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of
my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord,
my strength and my redeemer.

VII. *God's Eternal Truth.*

PSALMS 89 and 24.

- M.* I will sing of the mercies of the Lord for ever; I
will make known Thy faithfulness to all genera-
tions!
- C.* For I know that Thy mercy endureth for ever; Thou
hast established Thy truth like the heavens.
The heavens shall praise Thy wonders, O Lord! and
the assembly of the holy ones Thy truth!
Who in the heavens can be compared to the Lord?
who is like the Eternal among the mighty?
O Lord, God of hosts! who is mighty like Thee,
and Thy faithfulness is around about Thee.
Thou rulest the raging of the sea; when the waves
thereof rise, Thou stillest them!
The heavens are Thine; Thine also is the earth; the
world and all that is therein, Thou didst found
them.
Thine is a mighty arm; strong is Thy hand, and
high Thy right hand.

Justice and equity are the foundation of Thy throne;
mercy and truth go before Thy face.

Happy the people that know Thy law ! they walk,
O Lord, in the light of Thy countenance.

In Thy name they daily rejoice, and in Thy righteousness they glory !

For Thou art the glory of their strength ; yea,
through Thy favor we are exalted.

The earth is the Lord's, and all that is therein ; the
world and they who inhabit it.

For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established
it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord ? and who
shall stand in His holy place ?

He that hath clean hands and a pure heart ; who
hath not inclined his soul to falsehood, nor
sworn deceitfully.

He shall receive a blessing from the Lord, and favor
from the God of his salvation.

This is the race of those that seek Thee ; those that
seek Thy face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates ! lift yourselves up,
ye everlasting doors, that the King of glory
may come !

“ Who is this King of glory ? ” The Lord, strong
and mighty ; the Lord, mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates ! lift yourselves up,
ye everlasting doors, that the King of glory
may enter in !

“ Who is this King of glory ? ” The Lord, God of
hosts, He is the King of glory.

VIII. The Dignity of Man.

PSALMS 8 and 15.

M. O Eternal, our God ! how excellent is Thy name in all the earth ! Thou hast set Thy glory above the heavens.

C. Out of the mouths of children hast Thou founded Thy might, to put Thy adversaries to shame, and to silence the enemy and avenger.

When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy hands, the moon and the stars which Thou hast established :

What is man, that Thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that Thou carest for him ?

Yet Thou hast made him little lower than God ; Thou hast crowned him with glory and honor.

Thou hast given him dominion over the works of Thy hands ; Thou hast put all things under his feet—

All sheep and cattle, yea, and the beasts of the forest ;

The birds of the air, and the fishes of the sea, and whatever passeth through the paths of the deep.

O Eternal, our God, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth !

Lord, who shall abide at Thy tabernacle ? who shall dwell upon Thy holy hill ?

He that walketh uprightly, and doeth righteousness, and speaketh the truth from his heart ;

He that slandereth not with his tongue, that doeth no injury to his friend, and uttereth no reproach against his neighbor ;

In whose eyes a vile person is contemned, but who
 honoreth them that fear the LORD ; who swear-
 eth to his own hurt, and changeth not ;
 He that lendeth not his money upon usury, and
 taketh not a bribe against the innocent :
 He that doeth these things shall never be moved.

P R A Y E R .

IX. Morning Prayer.

PSALMS 5 and 35.

- M.* Give ear to my words, O Lord ; have regard to my
 prayer !
- C.* Listen to the voice of my supplication, my King and
 my God ! for to Thee do I address my prayer.
 In the morning shalt Thou hear my voice, O Lord !
 in the morning will I address my prayer to Thee,
 and look for help.
- For Thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wick-
 edness ; the unrighteous man dwelleth not
 with Thee.
- The haughty shall not stand in Thy sight ; Thou
 hatest all that do iniquity.
- But I, through Thy great goodness, will come to
 Thy house ; in the fear of Thee will I worship
 at Thy holy temple.
- Lead me, O Lord ! in Thy righteousness, make Thy
 path straight before my face !

Let all that put their trust in Thee rejoice, because Thou defendest them ; let them, that love Thy name, be joyful in Thee !

For Thou, O Lord ! dost bless the righteous ; with favor dost Thou encompass him, as with a shield.

Thy goodness, O Lord ! reacheth to the heavens, and Thy faithfulness to the clouds ;

Thy righteousness is like the high mountains ; Thy judgments are like the great deep ; Thou O Lord, preservest man and beast !

How precious is thy lovingkindness, O God ! Yea, the sons of men seek refuge under the shadow of Thy wings.

They are satisfied with the abundance of Thy house, and Thou causest them to drink of the full stream of Thy pleasures.

For with Thee is the fountain of life ; through Thy light we see light.

O continue Thy lovingkindness to them that know Thee, and Thy favor to the upright in heart.

X. Evening Prayer.

PSALMS 4 and 62.

- M.* Hear me, when I call, O God of my righteousness !
Thou hast helped me, when I was in trouble,—
have pity upon me, hear my prayer !
- C.* How long, O men ! will ye dishonor your dignity ?
How long will ye love vanity, and seek disappointment ?
- Know ye that the Lord exalteth one that is devoted to Him ; the Lord will hear, when I call upon Him.

Stand in awe, and sin no more ; commune with
your hearts upon your beds, and be silent.

Offer sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust
in the Lord !

There are many who say, who will show us any
good ? Lord, lift Thou up the light of Thy
countenance upon us !

Thou puttest gladness into my heart, greater than
theirs, when their corn and wine are abundant.
I will lay me down in peace, and sleep ; for Thou
alone, O Lord ! makest me dwell in safety.

Truly my soul rests on God alone ; from Him
cometh my deliverance !

He alone is my rock and my salvation ; He is my
safeguard, I shall not fall !

From God cometh my help and my glory : my
strong rock, my refuge, is God.

Trust in Him at all times, ye people ! pour out your
heart before Him ! God is our refuge !

Truly men of low degree are vanity, and men of
high degree are a lie ;

Placed in the balance they are all lighter than
naught.

Trust not in extortion ; place no vain hopes in
greed ; if riches increase, set not your heart
upon them !

Once hath God promised, twice have I heard it,
that power belongeth unto God.

To Thee also, O Lord ! belongeth mercy ; for Thou
dost render to every man according to his
work.