

PSALMS OF PRAISE.

LVIII. God in History.

PSALMS 113, 114.

M. Praise ye the Lord ! praise, O ye servants of the
Lord ! praise the name of the Lord !

C. Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time
forth, even for ever !

From the rising of the sun to its going down, may
the name of the Lord be praised !

The Lord is high above all nations ; His glory is
above the heavens.

Who is like unto the Lord, our God, that dwelleth
on high, that looketh down upon the heavens
and the earth ?

He raiseth the poor from the dust, and exalteth the
needy from his lowliness.

To set him among princes, even among the princes
of his people.

He causeth the forsaken to dwell in her house, a
joyful mother of children.

When Israel came forth from Egypt, the house of
Jacob from a people of strange language ;

Judah was his sanctuary, and Israel his dominion.

The sea beheld, and fled ; the Jordan turned back.

The mountains skipped like rams, and the hills like
lambs.

What aileth thee, O sea ! that thou fleest ? thou
Jordan, that thou turnest back ?

Ye mountains, that ye skip like rams, and ye hills
like lambs ?

Tremble, O earth ! at the presence of the Lord, at
 the presence of the God of Jacob !
 Who turned the rock into a standing lake, and the
 flint into a fountain of water !

LIX. The Helper of Man.

PSALM 115.

- M.* Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy
 name give glory, for Thy mercy and Thy
 truth's sake.
- C.* Why should the nations say, Where is now their
 God?
 Our God is in the heavens ; he doeth whatever he
 pleaseth.
 Their idols are silver and gold, the work of men's
 hands :
 They who make them are like unto them ; and so is
 every one that trusteth in them.
 O Israel ! trust thou in the Lord ! He is their help
 and their shield.
 O house of Aaron ! trust ye in the Lord ! He is their
 help and their shield.
 Ye that fear the Lord ! trust in the Lord ! he is their
 help and their shield.
 The Lord hath been mindful of us ; He will bless
 us ; He will bless the house of Israel ; He will
 bless the house of Aaron.
 He will bless them that fear the Lord, both small
 and great.
 The Lord will increase you more and more, you
 and your children.

Blessed are ye of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

The heaven is the Lord's heaven ; but the earth He hath given to the sons of men.

We will praise the Lord henceforth and for ever,
Hallelujah !

LX. Deliverance from Death.

PSALMS 116 and 117.

I rejoice that the Lord hath heard the voice of my supplication.

That He hath inclined His ear to me and heard me ; I will call upon Him as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me, and the pains of the grave seized upon me ; I found distress and sorrow.

Then called I upon the Lord ; O Lord deliver me !

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous ; the Lord, our God is merciful.

The Lord preserveth the simple ; I was brought low, and He helped me.

Return, O my soul ! to thy rest ! for the Lord hath dealt kindly with thee.

For Thou hast preserved me from death ; Thou hast kept my eyes from tears, and my feet from falling !

I shall walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. I had trust, although I said, I am grievously afflicted !

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me ?

I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord ;

I will pay my vows to the Lord, in the presence of all His people.

Precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of His holy ones.

Hear, O Lord ! for I am Thy servant ; I am Thy servant, the son of Thy handmaid ! Thou hast loosed my bonds.

I will offer to Thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord, in the presence of all His people.

In the courts of the house of the Lord, in the midst of Thee, O Jerusalem !

Praise the Lord, all ye nations ! praise Him, all ye people !

For great toward us hath been His kindness, and the faithfulness of the Lord endureth for ever. Hallelujah !

LXI. Triumphal Hymn.

PSALM 118.

M. O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good ; for His kindness endureth for ever !

C. Let Israel now say, His kindness endureth forever !
Let the house of Aaron now say, His goodness endureth for ever !

Let all who fear the Lord say, His kindness endureth for ever.

I called upon the Lord in distress ; He heard, and set me in a wide place.

The Lord is on my side, I will not fear : what can man do to me ?

The Lord is my helper ; I shall triumph over all my enemies.

It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man ;

It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in princes.

All the nations beset me around, but in the name of the Lord I triumphed over them.

They beset me on every side ; but in the name of the Lord I triumphed over them.

They beset me around like bees : they were quenched like the fire of thorns, for in the name of the Lord I triumphed over them.

They did assail me with violence to bring me down ! but the Lord was my support.

The Lord is my glory and my song ; for to Him I owe my salvation.

The voice of joy and salvation is in the habitations of the righteous.

The right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly ; the right hand of the Lord is exalted ; the right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly.

I shall not die, but live, and declare the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord hath sorely chastened me, but He hath not given me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may go in, and praise the Lord !

This is the gate of the Lord, through which the righteous enter.

I praise Thee that Thou hast heard me, and hast been my salvation.

The stone which the builders rejected hath become
the chief corner-stone.

This is the Lord's doing ; it is marvellous in our
eyes !

This is the day which the Lord hath made ; let us
rejoice and be glad in it !

Hear, O Lord ! and bless us ! hear, O Lord ! and
send us prosperity !

Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord !
we bless ye from the house of the Lord.

The Eternal is God, He hath shone upon us : bind
the sacrifice with cords to the horns of the
altar !

Thou art my God, and I will praise Thee ; Thou
art my God, I will exalt Thee.

O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good ; for His
kindness endureth for ever !

LXII. The Kingdom of God.

PSALM 145

M. I will extol Thee, my God, the King ! I will praise
Thy name for ever and ever !

C. Every day will I bless Thee, and praise Thy name
for ever and ever !

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised ; yea,
His greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall praise Thy works to another,
and shall declare Thy mighty deeds.

I will speak of the glorious honor of Thy majesty,
and of Thy wonderful works.

Men shall speak of the might of Thy wonderful
deeds, and I will declare Thy greatness ;

They shall pour forth the praise of Thy great goodness, and sing of Thy righteousness.

The Lord is gracious, and full of compassion, slow to anger, and rich in mercy.

The Lord is good to all, and His tender mercies are over all His works.

All Thy works praise Thee, O Lord ! and Thy holy ones bless Thee !

They speak of the glory of Thy kingdom, and talk of Thy power ;

To make known to the sons of men His mighty deeds, and the glorious majesty of His kingdom.

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Thy dominion endureth throughout all generations.

The Lord upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all that are bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon Thee, and Thou givest them their food in due season ;

Thou openest Thy hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

The Lord is righteous in all His ways, and merciful in all His works.

The Lord is nigh to all that call upon Him, to all that call upon Him in truth.

He fulfilleth the desire of them that fear Him ; He heareth their cry, and saveth them.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord ; and let all flesh bless His holy name for ever and ever !