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# EPISTLES AND GOSPELS

THAT ARE APPOINTED TO BE READ AND EXPLAINED THROVGHOVT THE YEAR, COLLECTED AND SET DOVVN IN THIS FORM, FOR THOSE, VVHO VVANTING THE HOLY BIBLE, WOVLD IMPROVE THEIR LEARNING ENGLISH BY READING SVCH PIECES OF SACRED WRITS. THERE ARE ANNEXED SOME SELECT PRAYERS, TAKEN OVT OF THE WHO-LE DVTT OF MAN, AND THE PRACTICE OF PIETT

Rom. I. 16. 1 am not ashamed of the Gospel of CHRIST; for it is the power of GOD unto falvation to every one, that believeth, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

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## THE FIRST SVNDAY IN ADVENT. THE EPISTLE, ROM. XIII. 8.

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We no man any thing, but love one another: for he, that loveth another, hath fulfilled the law. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not fteal, Thoushalt not bear falfe witnefs, Thou shalt not cover; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this faying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thy felf. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our falvation nearer, than when we believed. The night is far fpent, the day is at hand; let us therefore caft off the works of darknefs, and let us put on the armour of light. A 2

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light. Let us walk honeftly as in the day, not in rioting and drunkennefs, not in chambering and wantonnefs, not in ftrife and envying. But putye on the Lord IESVS CHRIST, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lufts thereof.

THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XXI.I. W Hen they drew nigh unto Jerufalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives, then fent ESVS two disciples, faying unto them, Go in the village over against you, and ftraightway ye shall find an afs tied, and a colt with her: loofe them, and bring them unto me. And if any man fay ought unto you, ye shall fay, The Lord has need of them; and ftraightway he will fend them. All this was done, that it may be fulfilled, which was spoken by the prophet, faying, Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, Thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and fitting upon an als, and a colt the plot, and let us but on the armour of

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fole of an afs. And the disciples went, and did as IESVS commanded them, and brought the afs and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they fet him thereon. And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way, others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed them in the way. And the multitudes, that went before, and that followed, cryed, faying, Hofanna to the fon of David: blesfed is he, that cometh in the name of the LORD, Hofanna in the higheft. And when he was come into Jeruíalem, all the city was moved, faying, VVho is this? And the multitude faid, This is Jesus, the Prophet of Nazareth of Galilee. And Jesus went into the Temple of God; and caft out all them, that fold and bought in the Temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the feats of them, that fold doves, and faid unto them, It is written, My houfe shall be called the A 3 houfe will confets to they actong the Gentle

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house of prayer, but ye have made it a den of thieves.

#### THE SECOND SVNDAY IN ADVENT.

THE EPISTLE. ROM. XV. 4. W Hatloever things were written afo-

retime, were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now the God of patience and confolation grant you to be likeminded one towards another, according to Chrift Jefus; that ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jelus Chrift. Wherefore receive ye one another, as Chrift alfo received us, to the glory of God. Now I fay, that Jefus Chrift was a minister of the circumcifion, for the truth of God, to confirm the promifes made unto the Fathers; and that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy, as is written, For this caufe I will confess to thee among the Gentiles,

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les, and fing unto thy Name. And again he fays, Rejoyce, ye Gentiles, with his people. And again, Praife the Lord, all ye Gentiles, and laud him, all ye people. And again Efaias faith, There shall be a root of Jeffe, and he that shall ufe to reign over the Gentiles, in him shall the Gentiles truft. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the holy Ghoft.

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THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XXI. 25. A Nd there shall be figns in the fun, and in the moon, and in the ftars; and upon the earth diffrefs of Nations with perplexity, the fea and the waves roring; mens hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things, which are coming on the earth, for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they fee the fon of man, coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin A 4 to

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to come to pais, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draws nigh. And he fpake to them a parable. Behold the fig-tree, and all the trees; when they now shoot forth, ye fee and know of your own felves, that fummer is now nigh at hand. Verily I fay unto you, This generation shall not pais away, till all be fulfilled: Heaven and earth shall pais away, but my words shall not pais away.

## THE THIRD SVNDAY IN ADVENT.

THE EPISTLE. I COR. IV. I. Let a man fo account of us, as of the minifters of Chrift, and ftewards of the myfteries of God. Moreover, it is required in ftewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very fmall thing, that I should be judged of you, or of mans judgement: yea I judge not mine own felf. For I know nothing by my felf, yet am I not hereby juftified; but he that judgeth me, is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before re re the time, until the Lordcome, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darknefs, and will make manifeft the counfels of the hearts; and then shall every man have praife of God.

#### THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XI. 2.

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NOw when John had heard in the prifon the works of Chrift, he fent two of his disciples, and faid unto him, Art thou he, that should come, or do we look for another? Jefus answered and faid unto them, Go and shew John again thefe things, which ye do hear and fee: the blind receive their fight, and the lame walk, thelepersare cleanfed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raifed up, and the poor have the Gofpel preached to them. And bleffed is he whofoever shall not be offended in me. And as they departed, Jefus began to fay unto the multitudes, concerning John, VVhat went ye out into the wildernefsto fee? A reed sha-AS ken

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ken with the wind? But what went ye out for tofee? A man, clothed in foft raiment? Behold, they that wear foft clothing, are in kings houfes. But what went ye out for to fee? A prophet? yea, I fay unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he of whom it is written, Behold, I fend my mesfenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

#### THE FOVRTH SVNDAY IN ADVENT.

## THE EPISTLE. PHIL. IV. 4.

REjoyce in the Lord allway, and again I fay, Rejoyce. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in every thing by prayer and fupplication with thanksgiving; let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall keep your

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Jour hearts and minds through Chrift Jefus.

#### THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN I. 19.

THis is the record of John, when the Jews fent priefts and Levites from Jerufalem, to ask him, VVho art thou? And he confeffed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Chrift. And they asked him, VVhat then? Art thou Elias? And he faith, I am not. Art thou that Prophet? And he answered, No. Then faid they unto him, VVho artthou? that we may give an answer to them, that fentus. What fayeft thou of thyfelf? He faid, I am the voice of one crying in the wildernefs, Make ftraight the way of the Lord, as faid the Prophet Efaias: and they, which were fent, were of the Pharifees. And they asked him, and faid unto him, Why baptizeft thou then, if thou be not that Chrift, nor Elias, neither that Prophet? John answered meditry, and the express image of his -190

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them, faying, I baptize with water: but there ftandeth one among you, whom ye know not. He it is, who coming after me, is preferred before me, whofe shoes-latchet I am nor worthy to unloofe. These things were done in Bethabara, by ond Jordan, where John was baptizing.

## THE NATIVITY OF OVR LORD IESVS CHRIST,

#### OR THE BIRTH-DAY OF CHRIST, COMMONLY CALLED CHRIST, MAS - DAY.

## THE EPISTLE. HEBR. I. I.

GOd, who at fundry times and in divers manner spake in time pass unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by his fon, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds. Who being the brightness of hisglory, and the express image of his per-

36 (13) 58 perfon, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himfelf purged our fins, fat down on the right hand of the Majefty on high: being made fo much better, than the Angels; as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name, than they. For unto which of the Angels faid he at any time, Thouart my fon, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a fon? And again, when he bringeth the first begotten into the world, he faith, And let all the Angels of God worship him. And of the Angelshe faith, Who maketh his Angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. But unto the fon he faith, Thy throne, o God, is for ever and ever, a scepter of righteousness is the sceptre of thy Kingdom. Thou hast loved righteousnefs, and hated iniquity: therefore God, even thy God, hathanointed thee with the oyl of gladness above thy fellows. And Thou Lord, in the 150 begin-

#### beginning haft laid the fundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hand. They shall perish, but thou remaineft; and they all shall wax old, as doth a garment; and as a vefture shall thou fold them up, and they shall be changed; but thou art the fame, and thy years shall not fail.

## AN OTHER EPISTLE. TIT. II. II.

The grace of God, that bringeth falvation, hath appeared to all men, teaching us, that denying ungodlinefs and worldly lufts, we should live foberly, righteously, and godly in this prefent world, looking for that bleffed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God, and our faviour Jefus Chrift, who gave himfelf for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify unto himfelf a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

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But after that the kindnels and love of God our faviour toward man appeared: not by works of righteousnels, which we have done, but according to his mercy he faved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the holy Ghoft; which he shed on usabundantly, through Jefus Chrift our faviour: that being juftified by his grace we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life,

## THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN. I. I.

N the beginning was the Word, and the VVord was with God, and the VVord was God. The fame was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darknefs, and the darknefs comprehended it not. There was a man fent from

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from God, whole name was John. The fame came for a wirnefs, to bear witnefs of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was fent to bear witnefs ofth. c light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man, that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the fons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld hisglory, the glory as of the onely begotten of the father) full of grace and truth.

AN OTHER GOSPEL. S. LVK. II. I. And it came to pais in those days, that there went out a decree from Cefar

36 (17) 58 Cefar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made, when Cyrenius was governour of Syria) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own City. And Jofeph alfo went up from Galilee, out of the City of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the City of David, which is called Bethlehem (becaufe he was of the houfe and linage of David) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And fo it was, that while they were there, the days were accomplished, that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn fon, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the fame countrey shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And lo, The Angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were fore afraid. And the Angel faid unto them, Fear B 12/18

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Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Chrift the Lord. And this shall be a fign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in fwaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And fuddenly there was with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly hoft, praifing God, and faying, Glory to God in the higheft, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

#### S. STEPHENS DAY.

THE EPISTLE. ACTS VI.8.ET VII.55.

A Nd Stephen full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people. Then there arofe certain of the fynagogue, which is called the fynagogue of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia, and of Afia, disputing with Stephen: And they werenot E

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码 (19) 50 not able to refift the wisdom and the fpirit, by which he fpake. Then they fuborned men, which faid, we have heard him fpeak blasphemous words against Moles, and against God. And they ftirred up the people, and the elders, and the fcribes, and came upon him, and caught him, and brought him to the Council: And fet up falle witneffefs, which faid, This man ceafeth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law. For we have heard him fay, that this Jefus of Nazareth shall deftroy this place, and shall change the cuftoms, which Mofes delivered us. And all that fate in the Council, looking ftedfaftly on him, faw his face, as it had been the face of an angel. But he being full of the holy Ghoft, looked up stedfastly inro heaven, and faw the glory of God, and Jefus flanding on the right hand of God. Then they cried out with a loud voice, and ftopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord; And caft him out B 2 of

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of the City, and ftoned him: and the witnefles laid down their clothes at a young mans feet, whofe name was Saul. And they ftoned Stephen, calling upon God, and faying, Lord Iefus receive my fpirit. And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this fin to their charge; And when he had faid this, he fell as leep.

#### THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XXIII. 34.

Behold, I fend unto you prophets, and wife men, and fcribes; and fome of them ye shallkill and crucify; and fome of them shall ye fcourge in your fynagogues, and perfecute them from city to city; that upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel, unto the blood of Zacharias, fon of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. Verily I fay unto you, all thefe things shall come upon this generation. O Ierufalem, Ierufalem, thou, that killeft the prophets, and ftoneft E Til

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ftoneft them, which are fent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not. Behold, your houfe is left unto you defolate. For I fay unto you, Ye shall not fee me hence forth, till ye shall fay, Blesfed is he, that cometh in the name of the Lord.

#### S. JOHN THE EVANGELISTS DAY.

THE EPISTLE. I.S. JOHN I. I.

T Hat which wasfrom the beginning, which we have heard, which we have feen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled of the word of life (for the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the father, and was manifested unto us) That which we have seen and heard, declare we unto you, that ye also may have felloship B 3 with

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with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his fon lefus Chrift. And thefe things write we unto you, that your joy may be full. This then is the meffage, which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darknefs at all. If we fay, that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darknefs, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have tellowship one with another. and the blood of Jefus Chrift his fon cleanseth us from all fin. If we fay, that we have no fin, we deceive our felves, and the truth is not in us. If we confels our fins, he is faithfull, and just to forgive us our fins, and to cleanfe us from all unrighteousnefs. If we fay, that we have not finned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN XXI. 15.

Jefus faith to Simon Peter, Simon, fon of Jonas, lovelt thou me more than the-

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thefe? He faith unto him, Yea, Lord, thou knoweft, that I love thee. He faith unto him, Feed my lambs. He faith to him again a fecond time, Simon, fon of Jonas, lovest thou me? He faith untohim, Yea, Lord, thou knoweft, hat Ilove thee. He faith unto him, Feed. my sheep. He faith unto him a third time, Simon, fon of Jonas, loveft thou me? Peter was grieved, becaufe he faid unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he faid unto him, Lord, thou knoweft all things, thou knoweft, that I love thee. Jefus faith unto him, Feed my sheep. Verily, verily, I fay unto thee, when thou waft young, thou girdeft thy felf, and walkedit, whither thou wouldft: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt ftretch forth thine hands, and another shall girt thee, and carry thee, whither thou wouldft not. This spake he, fignifying, by what death he should glorify God. And when he had spoken this, he faith unto him, Fol-Then Peter turning about, low me. feeth B 4 11113

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feeth the disciple, whom Jefus loved. following, which allo leaned on his breaft at supper, and faid, Lord, which is he, that betrayeth thee? Peter feing him, faith to Jefus, Lord, and what shall this man do? Jefus faith unto him, If I will, that he tarry, till I come, what is that to thee? Follow thou me. Then went this faying abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die: yet Jesus faid not unto him, He shall not die: but if I will that he tarry, till I come, what is that to thee? This is the disciple, which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things, and we know, that his teftimony is true.

#### THE SVNDAY AFTER CHRIST-MAS-DAY.

## THE EPISTLE. GAL. IV. I.

Now I fay, that the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a fervant, though he belord of all; but is under tutors and governors, until the time time appointed of the father. Even for we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world: but when the fulnefs of the time was come, God fent forth his fon, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them, that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of fons. And becaufe ye are fons, God hath fent forth the fpirit of his fon into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a fervant, but a fon; and if a fon, then an heir of God through Chrift.

#### THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE II. 33.

And Joseph and his Mother marvelled at those things, which were spoken of him. And Simeon bleffed them, and faid unto Mary his Mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israël: and for a sign, which shall be spoken against: (yea a fword shall pierce through thy own foul also) that the thoughts of many B 5 hearts

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hearts may be revealed. And there was one Anna, a prophetefs, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Afer; she was of a great age, and had lived with a husband feven years from her virginity: And she was a widow of about fourfcore and four years: which departed not from the temple, but ferved God with fallings and prayers night and day. And she coming in that inftant, gave thanks likewife unto the Lord. and spake of him to all them, that looked for redemption in Jerufalem. And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth. And the child grew, and waxed ftrong in fpirit, filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him.

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## THE NEW YEAR-DAY.

## THE EPISTLE. GALAT. III. 23.

Byt before faith came', we were kept under the law, shut up unto the kinch, which should afterwards be revealed. Wherefore the law was our school-master to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. But after that faith is come, we are not long. er under a school-master. For yeare all the children of God, by faith in Chrift Jefus. For as many of you, as have been baptized into Chrift, have put on Chrift. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Chrift Jefus. And if ye be Chrifts, then are ye Abrahams feed, and heirs according to the promife.

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#### THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE II. 21.

A Nd when eight days were accomplished for the circumcifing of the child, his name was called IESVS, which was fo named of the Angel, before he was conceived in the womb.

## THE SVNDAY AFTER THE NEW-YEAR-DAY.

#### THE EPISTLE. I. PET. III. 20.

IN the ark of Noah few, that is, eight fouls, were faved by water. The like figure whereunto, even Baptifme, doth alfo now fave us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good confcience towards God) by the refurrection of Jefus Chrift: who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; Angels, and authorities, and powers being made fubject unto him.

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#### THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. III. 13.

THen cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbad him, faying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jefus answering, faid, unto him, Suffer it to be fo now: for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he fuffered And Jefus, when he was baptihim. zed, went up ftraight way out of the water: and lo, The heavens were opened unto him, and he faw the spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him. And lo, a voice from heaven, faying, This is my beloved fon, in whom Iam well pleafed.

THE EPIPHANY, OR THE MA-NIFESTATION OF CHRIST TO THE GENTILES.

THE EPISTLE. ESA. LX. I. Rife, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is rifen upon thee.

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thec. For behold, the darknefs shall cover the earth, and großdarkneisthe people: but the Lord shall arife upon thee, and his glory shall be feen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rifing. Lift up thine eyes round about, and fee; all they gather themfelves together, they come to thee, thy fons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nurfed at thy fide. Then thou shalt fee and flow rogether, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged, because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee: the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee: the multitude of camels shall cover thee: the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah: all they from Sheba shall come: they shall bringgold and incenfe, and they shall shew forth the praifes of the LORD.

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#### THE GOSPEL, S. MATTH. II. I.

W Hen Jefus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of Herod, the king, behold, there came wife-men from the East to Jerufalem, faying, Where is he, that is born king of the Jews? for we have feen his ftar in the East, and are come to worship him. When Herod, the king, had heard thefe things, he was troubled, and all Jerufalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priefts and fcribes of the people together, he demanded of them, where Chrift should be born. And they faid unto him, In Bethlehem, in the land of Judea: for thus is written by the Prophet, And thou, Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the leaft among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governour, that shall rule my people Ifraël. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wife-men, enquired of them diligently, what time the flar appeared. And he fent them to Bethlehem, and faid, Go,

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Go, and fearch diligently for the young child, and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him alfo. When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the flar, which they faw in the Eaft, went before them, till it came and flood over where the young child was. When they faw the ftar, they rejoyced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the houfe, they faw the young child with Mary, his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: And when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts, gold, and frank incenfe, and myrrhe. And being warned of God in a dream, that they should not return to Herod; they departed into their own countrey another way.

THE FIRST SVNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY:

THE EPISTLE. ROM. XII. I. befeech you therefore; brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye prefent your
AS (33) SE your bodies a living facrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your realonable fervice. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove, what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God. For I fay, through the grace given untome, to every man, that is among you, not to think of himfelf more highly, than he ought to think, but to think foberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. For as we have many members in one body, and all members have nor the fame office; for we being many, are one body in Chrift, and every one members one of an other.

#### THE GOSPEL. S. LVRE II. 41.

Now his parens went to Jerufalem every year at the feaft of the paffover. And when he was twelfe years old, they went up to Ierufalem after the cultom of the feaft. And when they C had

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had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jefustarried behind in Jerufalem, and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. But they supposing him to have been in the company, went a days journey, and they fought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found him not, they turned back to Jerufalem, feeking him. And it came to pafs, that after three days the found him in the temple, fitting in the midft of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them queftions. And all that heard him, were aftonished at his understanding, and answers. And when they faw him, they were amazed: and his mother faid unto him, Son, why halt thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have fought thee forrowing. And he faid unto them, How is it, that ye fouht me? wift ye not, that I mult be about my fathers bufinefs? And they underftood not the faying, which he fpake unto them. And he went down with them, and came to Nazaarty but And the realty And whe

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# reth, and was tubject unto them: but his mother kept all these fayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in his wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

# THE SECOND SVNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY.

# THE EPISTLE. ROM. XII. 6.

Having then gifts, differing, according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophefic according to the proportion of faith; or miniftry, let us wait on our miniftring; or he that teacheth, on teaching; or he that exhorteth, on exhortation; he that gives, let him do it with fimplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulnefs. Ler love be without diffimulation. Abhor that, which is evil, cleave to that, which is good. Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love, in honour, preferring one another: not C 2 sloth-

#### slothful in bafinefs, fervent in fpirit: ferving the Lord: rejoycing in hope: patient in tribulation: continuing inftant in prayer: diffributing to the neceffity of faints: given to hofpitality. Blefs them, which perfecute you; blefs and curfe not. Rejoyce with them, that do rejoyce, and weep with them, that weep. Be of the fame mind one towards another. Mind not high things, but condefcend to men of low eftate.

# THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN II. I.

And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jefus was there. And both Jefus was called, and his difciples to the marriage. And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jefus faith unto him, They have no wine. Jefus faith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come. His mother faith unto the fervants, Whatfoever he faith unto you, do it. And

35 (37) 58 And there were fet there fix water-pots of stone, after the manner of purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins a piece. Jefus faith unto them, Fill the water - pots with water. And they filled them up to thebrim. And he faith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feaft. And they bare it. When the ruler of the feasthad tasted the water, that was made wine, and knew not, whence it was (but the fervants, which drew the water, knew) the governor of the fealt called the bride-groom, and faith unto him, Every man at the beginning doeth fet forth good wine, and when men have well drunk, then that which is worfe: but thou hast kept the good wine untill now. This beginning of miracles did Jefus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth hisglory, and hisdisciples believed on him.

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DE not wife in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honeft in the fight of all men. If it be poffible as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all mens Dearly beloved, avenge not your felves, but rather give place unto wrath; for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, faith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he durft, give him drink: for in fo doing, thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good. called the bride

# THE GOSPEL S. MATTH. VIII. I.

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W/Hen he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. And behold, there came a leper, and worshipped him, faying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canft make me clean. And Jefus put forth his hand. and touched him faying, I will, be thou clean. And immediately his leprofy was cleanfed. And Jefus faith unto him, BC

#### 35 (39) 58 him, fee thou tell no man, but go thy way, shew thy felf to the prieft, and offer -the gift, that Mofes commanded for a tefimony unto them. And when Jefus was entred into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion befeeching him, and faying, Lord, my fervant lyeth at home fick of the palfie, grievously tormented. And Jefus faith unto him, I will come and heal him. The Centurion answered and faid, Lord, Lam not worthy, that thou should ft come under my roof; but fpeak the word only, and my fervant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having fouldiers unto me: and I fay unto this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my fervant, Do this, and he doeth it. When Jefusheardir, he marvelled, and faid to them, that followed, Verily I fay unto you, I have not found fo great faith, no not in Ifrael. And I fay unto you, that many shall come from the east and welt, and shall fit down with Abraham, ig svar C 4 soils bus to and fame;

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and Ifaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be caft out into utter darknefs: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jefus faid unto the centurion, Gothy way, and as thou haft believed, fo be it done unto thee. And his fervant was healed in the felf fame hour. This are but

# THE FOVRTH SVNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

# THE EPISTLE. ROM. XIII.I.

Levery foul be fubject to the higher powers; for there is no power but of God: the powersthat be are ordained of God. Whofoever therefore refifteth the power, refifteth the ordinance of God: and they that refift, shall receive to themfelves damnation. For rulers are not a terrour to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thouthen not be afraid of the power? Do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the fame:

35 (41) 58 fame: for he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the fword in vain: for heistheminister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him, that doeth evil. Wherefore ye must needs be fubject, not only for wrath, but alfo for confcience fake. For, for this cause pay you tribute also, for they are Gods ministers attending continually upon this very thing. Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due, cuftom to whom cuftom, fear to whom fear, honour to whom honour.

#### Note: FOR THIS SVNDAY SER-VETH ALSO THE EPISTLE OF THE FIRST SVNDAY IN ADVENT.

THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. VIII. 23.

And when he was entred into a ship, his difciples followed him. And behold, there arofe a great tempeft in the fea, infomuch that the ship was co-C 5 vered

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vered with the waves: but he was asleep. And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, faying, Lord, lave us, we perish. And he faith unto them, Why are ye fearful, o ye of little faith? Then he arole, and rebuked the winds, and the fea, and there was a great calm. But the men marvelled, faying, what manner of man is this, that even the winds and the fea obey him.

# THE FIFTH SVNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY. THE EPISTLE. COL. III. 12. OR

PVt on therefore (as the elect of God, holy and beloved) bowels of mercies, kindnefs, humblenefs of mind, meeknefs, long-fuffering, forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any; even as Chrift forgave you, fo alfo do ye. And above all these things, put on charity, which is the bond of perfectnels. And let the peace of God rule

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in your hearts, to the which alfo yeare called in one body; and be ye thankful. Let the word of Chrift dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in Pfalms, and hyms, and ipiritual fongs, finging with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatfoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jefus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

#### THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XIII. 24-

The kingdom of heaven is likened in his field. But while men slept, his enemy came, and fowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was forung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares alfo. So the fervants of the housholder came and faid unto him, Sir, didft not thou fow good feed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? He faid unto them, An enemy hath done this. The fervants faid unto him, Wilt Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up. But he faid, Nay; left, while ye gather up the tares, ye root up alfo the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harveft; and in the time of harveft I will fay to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

# THE SIXTH SVNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

# THE EPISTLE. 2. PET.I. 16.

W E have not followed cunningly devifed fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jefus Chrift; but were eye-witneffes of his Majefty. For hereceived from God, the father, honour and glory, when there came fuch a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved fon, in whom I am well pleased. And this voice, which came from heaven, we heard, when we were with with him in the holy mount. We have ve alfo a more fure word of prophecy; where unto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light, that shineth ina dark place, untill the day dawn, and the day-ftar arife in your hearts: knowing this firft, that no prophefie of the fcripture is of any private interpretation: for the prophefie came not in old time by the will of man; but holy men of God fpake, as they were moved by the holy Ghoft.

# THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XVII. g.

A Nd after fix days Jefus taketh Peter, James, and John his Brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain a part. And was transfigured before them, and his face did shine as the fun, and his raiment was white as the light. And behold, there appeared unto them Mofes and Elias, talking with him. Then answered Peter, and faid unto Jefus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make three taber-

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tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Mofes, and one for Elias. VVhilehe yet fpake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which faid, This is my beloved fon, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him. And when the difciples heard it, they fell on their faces, and were fore afraid. And Jefus came, and rouched them, and faid, Arife, and be not afraid. And when they had lift up their eyes, they faw no man, fave Jefus only. And as they came down from the mountain, Jefus charged them, faying, Tell the vision to no man, untill the fon of man be rifen again from the dead. ni qu manlı danai

THE SVNDAY CALLED SEPTVAGESIMA,

THE THIRD SVNDAY BEFORE LENT.

THE EPISTLE. 1. Cor. IX. 24. KNow ye not, that they, which run onarace, runall, but one receiveth the 1

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the prize? fo run that ye may obtain. And every man that ftriveth for the maftery, is temperate in all things: Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible. I therefore fo run, not as uncertainly; fo fight I, not as one that beateth the air. But I keep under my body, and bring it into fubjection, left that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myfelf should be a caft-away.

#### THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XX. I.

The Kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an housholder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard. And when he had agreed with the labourers for a peny aday, he fend them into his vineyard. And he went out about the third hour, and faw others ftanding idle in the market - place, and faid unto them, Go ye alfo in the vineyard, and whatfoever is right, I will give you. And they went their way. Again he went

#### 36 (48) 58 went out about the fixth and ninth hour, and did likewife. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others flanding idle, and faith unto them, VVhy ftand ye here all the day idle? they fay unto him, Becaufe no man hath hired us. He faith unto them, Go ye alfo in the vineyard, and whatfoever is right, that shall ye receive. So when even wascome, the Lord of the vineyard faith unto his fleward, Call the labourers, and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first. And when they came, that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every manapeny. But when the first came, they fuppofed, that they should have received more, and they likewife received every man a peny. And when they had received it, they murmured against thee good-man of the house, faying, These last have wrought bur one hour, and thou haft made them equal unto us, which have born the burden and heat of the day. But he answer-

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answered one of them, and faid, Friend, I do thee no wrong; didft not thou agree with me for a peny? take that thine is, and go thy way: I will give unto this laft even as unto thee. Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with my own? Is thine eye evil, becaufe I am good? So the laft shall be firft, and the firft laft: for many be called, but few chofen.

# THE SVNDAY CALLED SEXAGESIMA,

# THE SECOND SVNDAY BEFORE LENT.

# THE EPISTLE. 2. COR. XI. 19.

YE fuffer fools gladly, feeing ye yourfelves are wife. For ye fuffer, if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt himself, if a man fmite you on the face. I fpeak as concerning reproach, as though we had been weak: howbeit whereinto ever any is bold D (I fpeak

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(I fpeak foolishly) I am bold alfo. Are they Hebrews? foam I: are they Ifraelites? fo' am I: are they'the seed of Abraham? So am I: are they minifters of Chrift? (I fpeak as a fool) I am more: in labours more abundant; in ftripes above measure; in prifons more frequent; in deaths oft; Of the Jews five times received I fourty ftripes fave one. Thrice was I beaten with rods. Once was I ftoned. Thrice I fuffered shipwrack. A night and a day I have been in the deep: in journeying often; in perils of waters; in perils of robbers; in perils by my own countrey-man; in perils by the heathen; in perils in the city; in perils in the wildernefs; in perils in the fea; in perils among falle brethren; in weariness and painfulness; in watchingsoften; in hunger and thirft, in faftings often; in cold and nakednefs; befides those things that are without, that which comes upon me daily, the care of all the churches. Who is weak and I am not weak? who is offended and I burn

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burn not? If I must needs glory of the things, which concern my infirmities. The God and the father of our Lord Jefus Christ, which is blessed for evermore, knoweth, that I lie not.

THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE VIII. 4. WHen much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, he fpake by a parable. A fower went out to fow his feed: and as he fowed, fome fell by the way - fide, and it was troden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. And fome fell upon a rock, and as foon as it was fprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moifture. And fome fell among thorns, and the thorns fprang up, with it and choked it. And other fell on good ground, and fprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had faid these things, he cried, He, that hath ears to hear, let him hear. And his disciples asked him, faying, what might this parable be? And he faid, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others D 2 in

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in parable: that feeing the might not fee, and hearing, they might not underftand. Now the parable is this; The feed is the word of God. Those by the way-fide are they, that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, left they should believe and be faved. They on the rock are they, which when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of tentation fall away. And that which fell among thorns, are they, which when they hawe heard, go forth, and are choked with cares, and riches, and pleafures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground are they, which in an honeft and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

# THE SVNDAY CALLED QVINQVAGESIMA,

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# OR THE NEXT SVNDAY BEFORE LENT.

THE EPISTLE. I. COR. XIII.I. Though I fpeak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as founding brafs or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and underftand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, fo that I could remove mountains, and have no charity, I am nothing. And though I beftow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. Charity fuffereth long, and is kind; charity envies not; charity vaunteth not it felf, is not puffed up, doth not behave it felf unfeemly, feeketh not her own, is not eafily provoked, thinketh no evil, rejoyceth not in iniquity, but rejoyceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Cha-D 2

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Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophefies, they shall tail; whether there be tongues, they shall ceafe; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophecie in part. But when that, which is perfect, is come, then that, which is in part, shall be done away. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we fee through a glafs darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as alfo I am known. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of this is charity.

# THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XVIII. 31.

Then Jefustook unto him the twelve, and faid unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerufalem, and all things that are written by the prophets, concerning the fon of man, shall be accomplished. For

36 (55) 58 For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked and spirefully entreated and fpitted on; and they shall fcourge him, and put him to death; and the third day he shall rife again. And they understood none of these things: and this faying was hid from them, neither knew they these things, which were fpoken. And it came to pafs, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man fat by the way-fide begging: and hearing the multitude paisby, he asked, what it meant. And they told him: that Jefus of Nazareth paffeth by. And he cryed, faying, Jefus, thou fon of David, have mercy upon me. And they, which went before, rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried fo much the more, Thou Son of David have mercy on me. And Jefus flood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him, faying, what wilt thou, that I should do unto thee? And he faid, Lord, that I may recei-DA

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receive my fight. And Jefusfaid unto him, Receive thy fight; thy faith hath faved thee. And immediately he received his fight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they faw it, gave praife unto God.

# THE FIRST SVNDAY IN LENT, CALLED INVOCAVIT.

THE EPISTLE. 2. COR. VI. I.

WE then as workers together with him, befeech you alfo, that ye receive not the grace of God in vain: (for he faith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of falvation have I fuccoured thee; behold now is the accepted time, behold now is the day of falvation) giving no offence in any thing, that the miniftry be not blamed; but in all things approving our felves, as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in neceffities, indiffresses, in ftripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings, by pureness, by knowledge, by long - fuffering, by kindkindnefs, by the holy Ghoft, by love unfeigned, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousnefs on the right hand, and on the left, by honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yettrue; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chaftened, and not killed; as forrowful, yet alway rejoycing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet poffefsing all things.

THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. IV. I. Then was Jefus let up of the fpirit into the wildernefs, to be tempted of the devil. And when he had fafted fourty days and fourty nights, he was afterward an hungred. And when the tempter came to him, he faid, If thou be the fon of God, command, that thefe ftones be made bread. But he answered and faid, It is written, Men shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of D 5 God.

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God. Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and fetteth him on a pinacle of the temple, and faith unto him, If thou be the fon of God, caft thy felf down; for it is written, Heshall give his angels charge concerning thee, and in their hands they shall bear thee, left at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. Jesus faid unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. Again the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them, and faith unto him, All thefe things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then faith Jefus unto him, Get thee hence, fatan, for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou ferve. Then the devil leaveth him, and behold, angels came and ministred unto him.

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THE EPISTLE. I. THESS. IV. I. WE beliech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jefus that as

hort you by the Lord Jefus, that as ye have received of us, how you ought to walk, and to pleafe God, fo ye would abound more and more. For ye know, what commandments we gave youby the Lord Jefus. For this is the will of God, even your fanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication; that every one of you should know, how to poffers his veffel in fanctification and honour: not of the lust of concupiscence, even as the gentiles, which know not God; that no man go beyond, and defraud his brother in any matter, because that the Lord is the avenger of all fuch, as we have also forewarned you and teftified. For God has not called us unto uncleannefs, but unto holinefs. He therefore that defpiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath alfo given unto us his holy fpirit.

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# THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XV. 21.

TEfus went thence and departed into the coafts of Tyreand Sidon. And behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the fame coafts, and cried unto him, faying, Have mercy on me, o Lord, thou fon of David, my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. But he answered her not a word. And his difciples came and befought him, faying, Send her away, for she cries after us. But heanswered and faid, I am not fent, but unto the loft sheep of the houfe of Ifraël. Then came she and worshipped him, faying, Lord, help me. But he answered and faid, It is not meet to take the childrens bread, and to caft it to dogs. And she faid, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs, which fall from their masters table. Then Jefus answered and faid unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

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# THE THIRD SVNDAY IN LENT, CALLED OCVLI.

THE EPISTLE. EPHES. V.I. RE ye therefore followers of God, as dear children, and walk in love, as Chrift alfo hath loved us, & hath given himfelf for us, an offering and a facrifice to God for a fweet - fmelling favour. But fornication and all uncleannefs or covetousnefs, let it nobe once named amongft you, as becometh faints; neither filthinefs, nor foolish talking, nor jefting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks. For this ye know, that no whore-monger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Chrift and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them. For ye werefometimes darknefs, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light; (for

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(for the fruit of the fpirit is in all goodnefs, and righteousnefs, and truth) proving, what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darknefs, but rather reprove them: For it is a shame even to fpeak of those things, which are done of them in secret. But all things, that are reproved, are made manifest by the light: for what seepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

THE GOSPEL S. LVKE XI. 14. JEfus was cafting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pais, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondred. But some of them faid, He casses out devils through Beelzebub, the chief of the devils. And other tempting him, sought of him a sign from heaven. But he knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided againstic felf,

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felf, is brought to defolation; and a houfe divided against a house, falleth. If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom fland? becaufe yefay, that I caft out devils through Beelzebub. And if I by Beelzebub caft out devils, by whom do your fons caft them out? therefore shall they be your judges. But if I with the finger of God caft out devils, nodoubt, the kingdom of God is come upon you. When a ftrong manarmed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace; but when a ftronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he take from him all his armour, wherein he trufted, and divideth his spoils. He that is not with me, is against me: and he, that gathereth not with me, fcattereth. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man', he walketh through dry places, feeking reft; and finding none, he faith, I will return unto my house, whence I came out. And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and furnished. Then goeth

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goeth he, and taketh to him feven other fpirits more wicked, than himself, and they enter in, and dwell there; and the laft flate of that man is worfe than the first. And it came to pafs, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lift up her voice, and faid unto him, Blessed is the womb, that bare thee, and the paps, which thou hast succeed. But he faid, Yea rather blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it.

# THE FOVRTH SVNDAY IN LENT, CALLED LAETARE.

THE EPISTLE. GAL. IV. 21. TEll me, ye that defire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? For, it is written, that Abraham had two fons, the one by a bond - maid, the other by a free woman. But he who was of the bond - woman, was born after the flesh; but he of the free - woman, was by promife. Which things are an allegory: for thefe are the two covenants: the one from the mount Sinai, which gendreth to bondage, which is Agar. For

36 (65) 58 For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerufalem, which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But lerufalem, which is above, is free; which is the mother of usall. For it is written, Rejoyce thou barren, that beareft not; break forth and cry, thou that travaileft not; for the defolate has many more children, than she, which hath an husband. Now we, brethren, as Ifaac was, are the children of promise. But as then, he that was born after the flesh, perfecuted him, that was born after the fpirit; even foit is now. Neverthelefs, what faith the Scripture? Caft out the bond - woman, and her fon; for the fon of the bond-woman shall not be heir with the fon of the free-woman. So then, brethren, we are not children of the bond-wo man, but of the free.

THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN VI. I. JEfus went over the fea of Galilee, Which is the fea of Tiberias, and a E great

26 (66.) 55 great multitude followed him, becaufe they law his miracles, which he did on them, that were diseased. And Jefus went up into a mountain, and there he fat with his difciples. And the paffover, a feaft of the Jews, was nigh. When Tefus then lift up his eyes, and faw a great company come unto him, he faith unto Philipp, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? (And this he faid to prove him; for he himself knew. what he would do) Philipp answered him. Two hundred peny-worth of bread is not fufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Petersbrother, faith unto him, There is alad here, which hath five barley-loaves, and two finall fishes: but what are they among fo many? And Jefus faid, Make the men fit down. Now there was much grafs in the place. So the men fat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesustook the loaoves, and when he had given thanks, he distri-

35 (67) 50 distributed to the difciples, and the difciples to them, that were fet down, and likewife of the fishes, as much as they would. When they were filled, he faid unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments, that remain, that nothing be loft. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barleyloaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle, that Jefus did, faid, This is of a truth that prophet, that should come into the world.

#### THE FIFTH SVNDAY IN LENT, CALLED JVDICA.

THE EPISTLE. HEBR. IX. II.

CHrift being come an high Prieft of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is to fay, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats  $E_2$  and

and calves, but by his own blood he entred in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for For if the blood of bulls, and us. For if the blood of buils, and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer fprinkling the unclean, fanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Chrift, who through the eternal Spirit offered himfelf without fpot to God, purge your confcience from dead works, to ferve the living God? And for this caufe he is the Mediatour of the new Teftament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgreffions, that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promife of eternal inheritance.

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# THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN. VIII. 46.

JEfus faid, Which of you convinceth me of fin? And if I fay the truth, why do ye not believe me? He that is of God, heareth Gods words; ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of
of God. Then answered the Jews, and faid unto him, Say we not well, that thou art a Samaritan, and haft a devil? Jefus answered, I have not a devil, but I honour my father, and ye do dishonour me; and I feek not mine own glory; there is one that feeketh and judgeth. Verily, verily I fay unto you, Ifa man keep my faying, he shall never fee death. Then faid the Jews unto him, Now we know, that thouhaft a devil. Abraham is dead, and the Prophets; and thou fayeft, If a man keep my faying, he shall never taft of death. Art thou greater, than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead: whom makeft thouthy felf? Jefus answered, If I honour my felf, my honour is nothing: it is my father, that honoureth me, of whom ye fay, that he is your God; yet ye have not known him; but I know him: and if I should lay, I know him not, I shall be aliar like unto you, but I know him, and keep his faying. Your father Abraham re-E 3 IOY-

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joyced to fee my day, and he faw it, and was glad. Then faid the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and haft thou feen Abraham? Jefus faid unto them, Verily, verily I fay unto you, Before Abraham was, I am. Then took they up ftones to caft at him: but Jefus hid himself, and went out of the temple.

#### THE SVNDAY NEXT BEFORE EASTER, CALLED THE PALM-SVNDAY.

## THE EPISTLE. PHIL. II. 5.

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Chrift Jefus: who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made him felf of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a fervant, and was made in the likeness of men. And being found in fashion of a man he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. WhereforeforeGod alfo hath highly exalted him, and given him a name, which is above every name; that at the name of Jefus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confefs, that Jefus Chrift is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

THE GOSPEL COMMONLY VSED THIS SVNDAY, IS THAT OF THE FIRST SVNDAY IN ADVENT: BVT IN STEAD THEREOF ONE MAY READ THE XXVI. AND XXVII. CHAPTERS OF S.MATTH. AS FOLLOW.

A Nd it came to pass, when Jefus had finished all these tayings, he faid unto his disciples, Ye know, that after two days is the feast of the passover, and the Son of man is betrayed to be crucified. Then affembled together the chief priests, and the foribes, and the elders of the people, unto the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiphas, and E 4 con-

36 (72) 55 confulted, that they might take Jefus by fubtilty, and kill him. But they faid, Not on the feast-day, left there be an uproar among the people. Now when Jefus was in Bethany, in the houfe of Simon, the leper, there came unto him a woman having an alabaster - box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he fat at meat. But when his disciples faw it, they had indignation, faying, To what purpole is this waste? For this ointment might have been fold for much, and given to the poor. When Jefus underftood ir, he faid unto them, why trouble you the woman? for she hath wrought a good work upon me. For ye have the poor always with you, but me ye have not allways. For in that she hath poured this ointment on my body, she did it for my burial. Verily I fay unto you, VVherefoever this Gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall alfo this that this woman hath done, be told for a memory of her. Then one of

35 (73) 58 of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief Priefts, and faid unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him to you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of filver. And from that time he fought opportunity to betray him. Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread, the disciples came to Jefus, faying unto him, Where wilt thou, that we prepare for thee to eat the paffover? And he faid, Go into the city to fuch a man, and fay unto him, The Mafter faith, My time is at hand, I will keep the paffover at thy houfe with my difciples. And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them, and they made ready the paffover. Now when the even was come, he fate down with the twelve. And as they did eat, he faid, Verily I fay unto you, that one of you shall betray me. And they were exceeding forrowful, and began every one of them to fay unto him, Lord, isit 1? And he answered and faid, He that dippeth ES his

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his hand with mein the dish, the fame shall betray me. The Son of man goeth, as it is written of him: but wo unto that man, by whom the Son of man is betrayed: it had been good for that man, if he had not been born. Then Judas which betrayed him, answered and faid, Master, is it 1? Hefaid unto him, Thou hastfaid. And as they were eating, Jefus took bread, and bleffed it, and brake it, and gave it to the difciples, and faid, Take, eat, this is my body. And he took the cup, and gave it tothem, faying, Drink ye all of it: for this is my blood of the new Testament, which is shed for many for the remisfion of fins. But I fay unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, untill that day, when I drink it new with you in my Fathers kingdom. And when they had fung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives. Then faith Jefus unto them, All ye shall be offended becaufe of methis night: for it is written, I will fmite the shep-

AS (75) SE shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad. But after I am rifen again, I will go before you into Galilee. Peter answered and faid unto him, Though all men shall be offended because of thee, yet will I never be offended. Jesus faid unto him, Verily I fay unto thee, that this night, before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. Peter faid unto him, Though I should dy with thee, yet will I not deny, thee: likewife alfo faid all the disciples. Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethfemane, and faith unto the difciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder. And he took with him Peter, and the two fons of Zebedee, and began to be forrowful, and very heavy. Then faith he unto them, My foul is exceeding forrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me. And he went a little further, and tell on his face, and prayed, faying, O my Father, if it be poffible, let this cup pais from me : neverthelefs, not

notas I will, but as thou wilt. And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and faith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the fpirit in deed is willing, but the flesh is weak. He went away again the fecond time, and prayed, faying, Omy Father, if this cup may not passaway from me, except I drink it, thy will be done. And he came, and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy. And he left them, and went away again, and prayed the third time, faying the fame words. Then cometh he to his disciples, and faith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your reft; behold, the hour isat hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of finners. Rife, let us begoing: behold he is at hand, that doth betray me. And while he yet spake, lo, Judas one of the twelve came, and with him a great multitude with fwords and flaves from the chief priefts and elders of the peo-

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AS (77) 58 people. Now he that betrayed him, gave them a fign, faying, Whomfoever I shall kifs, that fame is he, hold him faft. And forthwith he came to Jefus and faid, Hail Master, and kissed him. And Jefus faid unto him, Friend, wherefore art thou come? Then came they, and laid hands on Jefus, and took him. And behold, one of them which were with Jefus ftretched out his hand, and drew his fword, and ftroke a fervant of the high Prieft, and fmote off his ear. I hen faid Jefus unto him, Put up again thy fword into his place: for all they that take the fword, shall perish with the fword. Thinkeft thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall prefently give memore than twelve legions of angels? But how then shall the Scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be? In that fame hour faid lefus to the multitudes, Are ye come out as against a thief with fwords and staves for to take me? I fate daily with you teaching in the temple, and ye laid no hold

holdon me. But all this was done, that the scriptures of the Prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the difciples for fook him, and fled. And they that had laid hold on Jefus, led him away to Caiphas the high Prieft, where the Scribes and the elders were affembled. But Peter followed him a fur off unto the high Priefts palace, and went in, and fate with the fervantsto fee the end. Now the chief Priefts, and elders, and all the Council fought falle witness against Jefus to put him to death; But found none: yea, though many falfe witnefses came, yet found they none. At the last came two falfe witnesses, and faid, This fellow faid, I am able to deftroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days. And the high Prieft arole, and faid unto him, Answereft thou nothing? What is it, what these witness against thee? But Jefus held his peace. And the high Prieft answered, and faid unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us, whether thou be the

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×36 (79) 50 the Chrift the Son of God. Jefus faith unto him, Thou haft faid; neverthelefs I fay unto you, Hereafter shall ye fee the Son of man fitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high Prieft rent his clothes, faying, He hath fpoken blafphemy, what further needhave we of witneffes? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy. What think ye? They answered and faid, Heisguilty of death. Then did they spit in his face, and buffeted him, and others fmote him with the palms of their hands, faying, Prophecie untous, thou Chrift, who is he that fmote thee? Now Peter fate without in the palace; and a damsel came unto him, faying, Thou alfo waft with Jefus of Galilee. But he denied before them all, faying, Iknow not, what thou fayeft. And when he was gone out into the porch, another maid faw him, and faid unto them that were there, This fellow was also with Jefus of Nazareth. And again he denied with an

36 (80) 55 an oath, I do not know the man. And after a while came unto him they that ftood by, and faid to Peter, Surely, thou alfo art one of them, for thy fpeech bewrayeth thee. Then began he to curfe and to fwear, faying, I know nor the man. And immediately the cock crew. And Peter remembred the words of Jefus, which faid unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt denie me thrice. And he went out, and wept bitterly. When the morning wascome, all the chief Priefts and elders of the people took counfel against Jesusto put him to death. And when they had bound him, they led him away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate, the Governor. Then Judas which had betrayed him, when he faw, that he was condemned. repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of filver to the chief Priefts and elders, faying, I have finned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they faid, VVhat is that to us? fee thou to that. And he caft down the

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the pieces of filver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himfelf. And the chief Priefts took the filver-pieces, and faid, It is not lawful for to put them into the treafury, becaufe it is the price of blood. And they took counfel, and bought with them the potters field, to bury firangersin. VVherefore that field wascalled, The field of blood unto this day. (Then was fulfilled that which was fpoken by Jeremy the Prophet, faying, And they took the thirty pieces of filver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of Ifraël did value, and gave them for the potters field, as the Lord appointed me.) And Jefus ftood before the governor; and the governor asked him, faying, Art thou the king of the Jews? And Jefus faid unto him, Thou fayeft. And when he was accused of the chief Priefts and elders, he answered nothing. Then faid Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not, how many things they witnefsagainft thee? And heanswered him to never a word,

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word, infomuch that the governor marvelled greatly. Now at that feaft the governor was wont to release unto the people a prifoner, whom they would. And they had then a notable prifoner, called Barrabas. Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate faid unto them, VVhom will ye, that I release unto you? Barrabas or Jefus, which is called Chrift? For he knew, that for envie they had delivered him. VVhen he was fet down on the judgement-feat, his wife fent unto him, faying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have fuffered many things this day in adream, becaufe of him. But the chief Prieft and elders perfwaded the multitude, that they should ask Barrabas, and deftroy Jefus. The governor answered and faid unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I releafe unto you? They faid, Barrabas. Pilate faith unto them, What shall I do then with Jefus, which is called Chrift? They all fay unto him, Let him be

AS (8) 58 be crucified. And the governor faid, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more faying, Let him be crucified. VVhen Pilate faw, that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, faying, I am innocent of the blood of this just perfon: fee ye to it. Then answeredall the people, and faid, His blood be on us and on our children. Then released he Barrabas unto them: and when he had fcourged Jefus, he delivered him to be crucified. Then the fouldiers of the governor took Jefusinto the common hall: and gathered unto him the whole band of fouldiers. And they ftripped him, and put on him a fcarlet robe. And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, faying, Hail, king of the Jews. And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and fmote him F 2 on

36 (84') 58 on the head. And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him. And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his crofs. And when they were come unto a place, called Golgatha, that is to fay, a place of a skull, they gave him vineger to drink, mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink. And they crucified him, and parted hisgarments, caffing lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vefture did they caft lots. And fitting down, they watched him there. And fet up over his head his acculation written, THIS IS JESVS THE KING OF THE JEVVS. Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one of the right hand, and an other on the left. And they that paffed by, reviled him, wagging

36 (81) 58 ing their heads, and faying, Thouthat deftroyeft the temple, and buildeft it in three days, fave thyfelf: if thou be the Son of God, come down from the crofs. Likewife alfo the chief Priefts mocking him with the Scribes and elders, faid, He faved others, himself he cannot fave, if he be the king of Ifrael, let him now come down from the crofs, and we will believe him. He trufted in God, let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he faid, I am the Son of God. The thieves also which were crucified with him, caft the fame in his teeth. Now from the fixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jefus cried with a loud voice, faying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachtani, that is to fay, My God, my God, why haft thou forfaken me? Some of them that ftood there, when they heard that, faid, This man calleth for Elias. And straightway one of them ran, and took a fpunge, and filled it with vineger, and put it on a reed. ATTA F 3

35 (86) 58 reed, and gave him to drink. The reft faid, Let be, let us fee, whether Elias will come to fave him. Jefus when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the Ghoft. And behold, the vail of the temple was rent in twain, from the top to the bottom, and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent. And the graves were opened, and many bodies of faints, which slept, arofe. And came out of the graves after his refurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. Now when the Centurion', and they that were with him, watching lefus, faw the earth - quake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, faying, Truly this was the Son of God. And many women were there (beholding a far off) which followed lefus from Galilee, ministring unto him. Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of Iames and lofes, and the mother of Zebedees children. VVhen the even was come, there came a rich man of Ari-

#### AS (87) 50 Arimathea, named Joseph, who alfo himself was lefus disciple: He went to Pilate, and begged the body of lefus: then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered. And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrappedit in a clean linen cloath, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewen out in the rock: and he rolled a great ftone to the door of the fepulchre, and departed. And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, fitting over against the fepalchre. Now the next day that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priefts and Pharifees came together unto Pilate, faying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver faid, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rife again. Command therefore that the fepulchre be made fure untill the third day, left his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and fay unto the people, He is rifen from the dead: fo the last errour shall be worfe, than the first. Pilate faid unto them, Yehavea watch, go F4 your MOLE

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your way, make it as fure, as you can. So they went, and made the fepulchre fure, fealing the ftone, and fetting a watch.

# MVNDAY BEFORE EASTER.

FOR THE EPISTLE. ISAL LXIII. I.

WHo is this that cometh from Edom, with died garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his frength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to VVherefore art thou red in thifave. ne apparel, and thy garments like him, that treadeth in the wine-fat? I have troden the wine - prefsalone, and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury, and their blood shall be fprinkled upon my garments, and I will ftain all my raiment. For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come. And I looked, and there was none

36 (89) 58 none to help; and I wondred, that there was none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought falvation unto me, and my fury, it upheld me. And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their ftrength to the earth. I will mention the loving kindneffes of the Lord, and the praifes of the Lord, according to all, that the Lord hath beftowed on us, and the great goodness towards the house of Israel, which he hath beftowed on them, according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his loving kindnesfes. For he faid, Surely they are my people, children that will not lie: fo he was their Saviour. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his prefence faved them: in his love, and in his pity he redeemed them, and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old. But they rebelled, and vexed his holy fpirit, therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought againft Fr

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against them. Then he remembred the days of old, Moles and his people, faying, Where is he that brought them up out of the fea with the shepherd of his flock? Where is he that put his holy Spirit within him? that led them by the right hand of Mofes, with hisglorious arm, dividing the water before them, to make himself an ever lafting Name? that led them through the deep, as an horfe in the wildernefs, that they should not ftumble? As a beaft goeth down into the valley, the Spirit of the Lord caufed him to reft: fo didft thou lead thy people, to make thy felfa glorious Name. Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of thy holiness and of thy glory: Where is thy zeal, and thy ftrength, the founding of thy bowels, and of thy mercies towards me? are they reftrained? Doubtless thou art our Father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Ifrael acknowledge us not : Thou, O Lord, art our Father, our Redeemer, thy

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thy Name is from everlafting. O Lord, why haft thou made us to err from thy ways? and hardened our heart from thy fear? Return for thy fervants fake, the tribes of thine inheritance. The people of thy holinefshave poffeffed it but a little while: our adverfaries have troden down thy fanctuary. We are thine, thou never bareft rule over them; they were not called by thy Name.

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THE GOSPEL. S. MARK. XIV. I. A Fter two days was the feaft of the paffover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priefts and the fcribes fought, how they might take him by craft, and put him to death. But they faid, Not on the feast - day, left there be an uprore of the people. And being in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, as he fat at mear, there came a woman, having an alabaster - box of ointment of spikenard, very precious, and she brake the box, and poured it on his head. And there were fome that had ba indigna-

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indignation within themfelves, and faid, Why was this wafte of the ointment made? For it might have been fold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor: and they murmured against her. And Jesus faid, Let heralone, why trouble you her? she hath wrought a good work on me. For ye have the poor with you always, and whenfoever ye will, ye may do them good: but me ye have not always. She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying. Verily I fay unto you, Wherefoever this gofpel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this alfo that she hath done, shall be spoken of, for a memorial of her. And Judas Ifcariot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priefts, to betray him unto them. And when they heard it, they were glad, and promiled to give him money. And he fought how he might conveniently betray him. And the first day of unleavened

35 (93) 58 ed bread, wen they killed the paffover, his disciples faid unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and prepare, that thou mayeft eat the paffover? And he fendeth forth two of his disciples, and faith unto them, Go yeinto the city, and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water: follow him. And wherefoever he shall go in, fay ye to the good - man of the house, The Master faith, Where is the gueft chamber, where I shall eat the paffover with my difciples? And he will shew you a large upper room furnished and prepared, there make ready for us. And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found, as he had faid unto them: and they made ready the paffover. And in the evening he cometh with thetwelve. And as they fat, and did eat, Jefus faid, Verily I fay unto you, one of you which eaterh with me, shall betray me. And they began to be forrowful, and to fay unto him one by one, Is it I? and another faid, Is it I? +13134 And

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And he answered and faid unto them. It is one of the twelve that dippeth with me inthe dish. The Son of man indeed goeth, as it is written of him: but wo to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed: good were it for that man, if he had never been born. And as they dideat, Jefus took bread, and bleffed, and brake it, and gave to them, and faid, Take, eat: This is my body. Andhe took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them: and they all drank of it. And he faid unto them, This is my blood of the New Teftament, which is shed for many. Verily I fay unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God. And when they had fung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives. And Jefus faith unto them, All ye shall be offended becaufe of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be fcattered. But after that I am rifen, I will go befo-

AS (25) 50 before you into Galilee. But Peter faid unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet will not I. And Jefus faith unto him, Verily Ifay unto thee, that this day, even in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. But he fpake the more vehemently, If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wife. Likewife alfo faid. they all. And they came to a place which was named Gethfemane: and he faith to his difciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray. And he taketh with him Peter, and James, and John, and began to be fore amazed, and to be very heavy, and faith unto them, My toul is exceeding forrowful unto death; tarry ye here, and watch. And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed, that if it were poffible, the hour might pass from him. And he faid, Abba, Father; all things are poffible unto thee; take away this cup from me: neverthelefs, not what I will, but what thou wilt. And he cometh, and findeth them 

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them sleeping, and faith unto Peter. Simon, sleepeft thou? couldft not thou watch one hour? watch ye and pray, left ye enter into temptation : the fpirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak. And again he went away, and prayed, and fpake the fame words. And when he returned, he found them asleep again (for their eyes were heavy) neither wift they what to answer him. And he cometh the third time, and faith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your reft: it is enough, the hour is come; Behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of finners. Rife up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth me is at hand. And immediately while he yet fpake, cometh Judas, one of the twelve, and with him a great multitude with fwords and ftaves, from the chief priefts, and the fcribes, and the elders. And he that betrayed him, had given them a token, faying, Whomfoever Ishall kifs, that fame is he; take him, and lead him away fafely. And alloon as he was come,

come, he goeth ftraightway to him, and faith, Mafter, Mafter, and kiffed him. And they laid their hands on him, and took him. And one of them that flood by, drew a fword, and finote a fervant of the high prieft, and cut off his ear. And Jefus answered, and faid unto them, Are ye come out as againft a thief, with fwords and with flaves to take me? I was daily with you in the temple, teaching, and ye took me not : but the scriptures must be fufilled. And they all forfook him, and fled. And there followed him a certain young man, having a linen cloth caft about his naked body; and the young men laid hold on him. And he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked. And they led Jefus away to the high prieft, and with him were affembled all the chief priefts, and the elders, and the fcribes; and Peter followed him afar off, even into the palace of the high prieft: and he lat with the fervants, and warmed himself at the fire. And the chief prieffs,

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priefts, and all the council fought for witness against Jesus to put him to death, and found none. For many bare falle witness against him; but their witnefs agreed not together. And there arofe certain, and bare falle witnefs againft him, faying, We heard him fay, I will deftroy this temple that is made with hands', and within three days I will build another made without hands. But neither fo did their witnefs agree together. And the high prieft ftood up in the midst, and asked Jefus, faying, Answereft thou nothing? what is it which these witness against thee? But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high prieft asked him, and faid unto him, Art thou the Chrift, the Son of the Bleffed? And Jefus faid, I am; and ye shall fee the Son of man fitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high prieft rent his clothes, and faith, What need we any further witneffes? ye have heard the blafphemy:

36 (09) SE my: what think ye? And they all condemned him to be guilty of death. And fome began to fpit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to fay unto him, Prophefie; and the fervants did strike him with the palms of their hands. And as Peter was beneath in the palace, there cometh one of the maids of the high prieft; and when she faw Peter warming himself, she looked upon him, and faid, And thou alfo walk with Jefus of Nazareth. But he denied, faying, I know nor, neither understand I what thou fayeft. And he went out into the porch, and the cock crew. And a maid faw him again, and began to fay to them that flood by, This is one of them. And he denied it again. And a little after, they that flood by, faid again to Peter, Surely thou arta Galilean, and thy fpeech agreeth thereto. But he began to curfe and to fwear, faying,Iknow not this man of whom ye Ipeak. And the fecond time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the at on VV agu an G 2 and that word among

word that Jefus faid unto him, Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. And when he thought thereon, he wept.

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## THE EPISTLE. ISAI L. V. 5.

THe Lord God hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back. I gave my back to the fmiters, and my cheecks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord God will help me, therefore shall I not be confounded : therefore have I fet my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed. He is near that justifieth me, who will contend with me? Let us fland together; who is mineadverfary? let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord God will help me: who is he that shall condemn me? Lo, they all: hall wax old as a garment: the moth shall eat them up. VVho is among among you that feareth the Lord, that obeyeth the voice of his fervant, that walketh in darknefs, and hath no light? Let him truft in the name of the Lord, and ftay upon his God. Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compafs yourfelves about with fparks: walk in the light of your fire, and in the fparks that ye have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand, ye shall lie down in forrow.

THE GOSPEL. S. MARK. XV. L. A Nd straightway in the morning the Achief priefts held a confultation with the elders, and fcribes, and the whole council, and bound Jefus, and carried him away, and delivered him to Pilate. And Pilate asked him, Art thou the king of the Jews? And he answering, faid unto him, Thou fayeft it. And the chief priefts accufed him of many things: but he answered nothing. And Pilate asked him again, faying, Answereft thou nothing? behold how many things they witnefs against thee. But Jefus yet answered nothing: fo that G 3 Pila-

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Pilate marvelled. Now at that feaff he released unto them one prisoner. whomfoever they defired. And there was one named Barrabas, which lay bound with them that had made infurrection with him, who had committed murder in the infurrection. And the multitude crying aloud, began to defire him to do as he had ever done unto them. But Pilate answered them. faying, VVill ye that I release unto you the king of the Jews? (for he knew that the chief priefts had delivered him forenvy.) But the chief priefts moved the people, that he should rather releafe Barrabas unto them. And Pilate anfivered, and faid again unto them, Wyhat will ye then that I shall do unto him, whom ye call the king of the Jews? and they cryed out again, Crucifie him. Then Pilate faid unto them, VVhy, what evil hath he done? and they cried out the more exceedingly, Crucifie him. And fo Pilate, willing to content the people, releafed Barrabas unto them,

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35 (103) 58 them, and deliverd Jefus, when he had fcourged him, to be crucified. And the fouldiers led him away into the hall, called Pretorium, and they call together the whole band. And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head, and began to falute him, Hailking of the Jews. And they finote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing their knees, worshipped him. And when they had moked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucifie him. And they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who paffed by, coming out of the countrey, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear his crofs. And they bring him unto the place Golgatha, which is, being interpreted, the place of a scull. And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrhe : but he received it not. And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments, caffing lofts upon them, what G 4 every

36 (104) 50 every man should take. And it was the third hour, and they crucified him. And the fuperfcription of his acculation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEVVS. And with him they crucifie two thieves, the one on his right hand, and the other on his left. And the scripture was fulfilled, which faith, And he was numbred with the transgreffours. And they that paffed by, railed on him, wagging their heads, and faying, Ah, thou that destroyest the temple, and buildeft it in three days, fave thy felf, and come down from the crofs. Likewife alfo the chief priefts mocking, faid among themfelves, with the fcribes, He faved others, himself he cannot fave, Let Chrift the king of Ifrael descend now from the cross, that we may fee and believe. And they that were crucified with him, reviled him. And when the fixth hour was come, there was darknefs over the whole land, until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jefus cried with a loud VOi-

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35 (105) 58 voice, faying: Eloi, Eloi, lama fabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why haft thou forfaken me? And fome of them that flood by, when they heard it, faid, Behold, he calleth Elias. And one ran, and filled a spunge full of vineger, and put it on a reed, and gave him todrink, faying, Let alone, let us fee whether Elias will come to take him down. And Jefus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghoft. And the vail of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom. And when the centurion which flood over against him, faw that he fo cried out, and gave up the ghost, he faid, Truly this man was the Son of God. There were also women looking on a far off, among whom was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, the lefs, and of Jofes and Salome. Who alfo, when he was in Galilee, followed him, and ministred unto him, and many other women which came up with him unto Jerufalem. And now when the stille diseb G 5 stillesen even : THOI

36 (106) 55 even was come (becaufe it was the proparation, that is the day before the Sabbath) Joseph of Arimathea, an honourable counsellor, which alfo waited for the kingdom of God, came and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jefus. And Pilate marvelled, if he were already dead, and calling unto him the Centurion, he asked him, whether he had been any while dead. And when he knew it of the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph. And he bought fine linen, and took him down, and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a fepulchre which was hewen out of a rock, and rolled a ftone unto the door of the fepulchre. And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Jofesbeheld, where he was laid.

WEDNESDAY BEFORE EASTER. THE EPISTLE. HEBR. IX. 16. Where a teflament is, there muftalfo of neceffity be the death of the teftatour: t

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36 (107) 58 tour: for a testament is of forceafter men are dead; otherwife it is of no ftrength at all whilft the teftatour liveth. Where upon neither the first testament was dedicated without blood: For when Mofes had fpoken every precept to all the people, according to the law, he took the blood of calves, and of goats, with water and fcarlet-wool, and hyffop, and sprinkled both the book and all the people, faying, This is the blood of the testament, which God hath enjoyned unto you. Moreover, he fprinkled likewife with blood both the tabernacle, and all the veffels of the miniftry. And allnoft all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remiffion. It was therefore necefiary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things them felves with better factifices than thefe. For Chrift is not entred into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true, but into

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into heaven it felf, now to appear in the prefence of God for us; nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high prieft entreth into the holy place every year with blood of others: for then must he often have fuffered fince the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath heappeared to put away fin by the facrifice of himself. And as it is appointed unto men once to die but after this the judgment: fo Chrift was once offered to bear the fins of many; and unto them that look for him, shall he appear the fecond time without fin unto falvation.

THE GOSPEL S. LVKE XXII. AND XXIII. NOW the feaft of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the pasfover. And the chief priefts, and fcribes fought how they might kill him, for they feared the people. Then entred Satan into Judas furnamed Ifcariot, being of the number of the twelve. And he, went his way, and communed with the t]

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AG (109) 55 the chief priefts, and captains, how he might betray him unto them. And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money. And he promifed, and fought opportunity to betray him unto them, in the absence of the multitude. Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the paffover must be killed. And he fent Peter, and John, faying, Go and prepare us the paffover, that we may eat. And they faid unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare? And he faid unto them, Behold, when ye are entred into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entreth in. And ye shall fay unto the good-man of the house, The master faith unto thee, Where is the gueftchamber, where I shall eat the paffover with my disciples? And he shall shew you a large upper room furnished; there make ready. And they went, and found as he had faid unto them: and they made ready the paffover. And when

36 (110) 50 when the hour wascome, he fat down and thetwelve apostles with him. And he faid unto them, VVith defire I have defired to eat this paffover with you before I fuffer. For I fay unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God. And he took the cup, and gavethanks, and faid, Take this, and divide it among your felves. For I fay unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the wine, until the kingdom of God shall come. And he rook bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, faying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Likewife alfo the cup after fupper, faying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you. But behold the hand of him that betrayeth me, is with me on the table. And truly the Son of man goeth as it was determined; but wo unto that man, by whom heis betrayed. And they began to enquire among them felves,

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felves, which of them it was that should do this thing. And there was alfo a Brife among them, which of them should be accounted the greateft. And he faid unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercife lordship over them, and they that exercise authority upon them, are called benefactours. But ye shall not be fo; but he that isgreateft among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth ferve. For whether is greater, he that fitteth at meat, or he that ferveth? is not he that fitteth at meat? But I am among you as he that ferveth. Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. And appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me: that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and fit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Ifrael. And the Lord faid, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath defired to have you, that he may fift you, as wheat. But I have pray-

36 (112) 58 prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not ; and when thou art converted, ftrengthen thy brethren. And he faid unto him, Lord, I am ready togo with thee both into prifon, and to death. And he faid, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knoweft And he faid unto them, VVhen me. I fent you without purfe, and fcrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they faid, Nothing. Then faid he unto them, But now he that hath a purfe, let him take it, and likewife his fcrip: and he that hath no fword, let him fell his garment, and buy one. For I fay unto you, that this that is written, must yet be accomplished in me, And he was reckoned among the transgreffours: for the things concerning me have an And they faid, Lord, behold, heend. re are two fwords. And he faid unto them, It is enough. And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives, and his difciples alfo followed him

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36 (13) 56 him. And when he was at the place, he faid unto them, Pray, that ye enter not into temptation. And he was withdrawn from them about a ftonescaft, and kneeled down, and prayed, faying, Father, it thou be willing, remove this cup from me: neverthelefs, not my will, but thine be done. And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony, he prayed more earneftly, and his fweat was as it were great drops of blood, falling down to the ground. And when he rofe up from prayer, and was come to his difciples, he found them sleeping for forrow, and faid unto them, Why sleep ye? rife and pray, left ye enter into temptation. And while he yet fpake, behold, a multitude and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near unto Jefus, to kifs him. But Jefus faid unto him, Judas, betrayest thouthe Son of man with a kifs? When they who were H abour

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about him, faw what would follow, they taid unto him, Lord, shall we fmite with the fword? And one of them fmote the fervant of the high prieft, and cut offhis right ear. And Jefus answered and faid, Suffer ye thus far. And he touched his ear, and healed him. Then Jefus faid unto the chief priefts, and captains of the temple, and theelders who were come to him, Be ye come out as against a thief, with swords and flaves? When I was daily with you in the temple, ye ftretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darknefs. Then took they him, and led him, and brought him into the high prieftshoufe, and Peter followed afar off. And when they had kindled a fire in the midft of the hall, and were fet down together, Peter fat down among them. But a certain maid beheld him, as he fat by the fire, and earneftly looked upon him, and faid, This man was alfo with And he denied him, faying, Wohim. man,

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man, I know him not. And after a littde while another faw him, and faid, Thou art alfo of them. And Peter faid, Man, I am not. And about the fpace of one hour after, another confidently affirmed, faying, Of a truth this fellow alfo was with him; for he is a Galilean. And Peter faid, Man, I know not what thou fayeft. And immediately while he yet pake, the cock crew. And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter; and Peter remembred the word of the Lord, how he had faid unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And Peter went out and wept bitterly. And the men that held Jefus, mocked him, and imote him. And when they had blindfolded him, they ftruck him on the face, and asked him, faying, Prophefie, who is it that finote thee? And many other things blafphemously spake they against him. And as foon as it was day, the elders of the people, and the chief priefts, and the fcribes came together, and led him into their H 2

## 36 (116) 55 their council, faying, Art thou the Chrift? tell us. And he faid unto them, If I tell you, you will not believe. And if I alfo ask you, you will not anfwer me, nor let me go. Hereafter shall the Son of man fit on the right hand of the power of God. Then faid theyall, Art thouthen the Son of God? And he faid unto them, Ye fay that I am, And they faid, What need we any further witnefs? for we our felves have heard of his own mouth. And the whole multitude of them arofe, and led him unto Pilate. And they began to accufe him, faying, We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Cefar, faying, that he himfelf is Chrift a king. And Pilate asked him, faying, Art thou the king of the Jews? And he answered him, and faid, Thou fayeft it. Then faid Pilate to the chief priefs and to the people, I find no fault in this man. And they were the more fierce, faying, He ftirreth up the people, teaching through-

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AS (117) SE throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place. When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked, whether the man were a Galilean. And as foon as he knew that he belonged unto Herods Jurisdiction, he fent him to Herod, who himself was also at Jerufalem at that time. And when Herod faw Jefus, he was exceeding glad, for he was defirous to fee him of a long feason, because he had heard many things of him, and he hoped, to have feen fome miracle done by him. Then he queftioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing. And the chief priefts and fcribes flood and vehemently accufed him. And Herod with his men of war fet him at nought, and mocked him, and arayed him in a gorgeous robe, and fent him again to Pilate. And the fame day Pilate and Herod were made friends together; for before they were at enmity between them felves. And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priefts, and the rulers, and the H 3 peo-

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people, faid unto them, Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverteth the people, and behold, I having examined him before you, have found no fault in this man touching those things, whereof you accuse him: nonor yet Herod: for I fent you to him, and lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto him. I will therefore chaftife him, and release him. For of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast. And they cried out all at once, faying, Away with that man, and releafe unto us Barrabas (who for a certain fedition made in the city, and for murder was caft in prifon) Pilate therefore willing to release Jefus, spake again to them: But they cried, faying, Crucifie him, crucifie him. And he faid unto them the third rime, VVhy, what evil hath he done? I have found no caufe of death in him: I will therefore chaftife him, and let himgo. And they were instant with loud voice, requiring, that he might be crucified: And the voices of

AG (119) 500 of them, and of the chief priefts prevailed. And Pilate gave fentence, that it should be as they required. And he releafed unto them him that for fedition and murder was caft into prifon, whom they had defired; but he delivered Jefus to their will. And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simona Cyrenian, coming out of the countrey, and on him they laid the crofs, that he might bear it after Jefus. And there followed him a great company of people and of women, who also bewailed and lamented him. But Jefus turning unto them, faid, Daughters of Jerufalem, weep not for me, but weep for your felves, and for your children. For behold, the days are coming, in which they shall fay, Bleffed are the barren, and the wombs, that never bare, and the paps, which never gave fuck. Then shall they begin to fay to the mountains, Fall on us: and to the hills, Cover us. For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry? H4

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dry? And there were also two other malefactors, led with him to be put to death. And when they were come to the place which is called Calvary, there they crucified him; and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Then faid Jefus, Father forgive them, for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and caft lots. And the people flood beholding; and the rulers alfo with them derided him, faying, He faved others, let him fave himselt, if he be Chrift the cholen of God. And the foldiers alfo mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vineger, and faying, If thou be the king of Jews, fave thy felf. And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEVVS. And one of the malefactors, which were hanged, railed on him, faying, If thou be Chrift, fave thy felf, and us. But the other answering, rebuked him, faying, Doft

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35 (121) 58 Dolt not thou fear God, feeing thou art in the fame condemnation? And we in deed juftly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds, but this man hath done nothing amifs. And he faid unto Jefus, Lord, remember me, when thou comeft into thy kingdom. And Jesus faid unto him, Verily I fay unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in Paradife. And it was about the fixth. hour. And there wasa darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. And the fun was darkened, and the vail of the temple was rent in the midft. And when Jefus had cried with a loud voice, he faid, Father, into thy hands I commend my fpirit:and having faid thus, he gave up the ghoft. Now when the centurion faw, what wasdone, heglorified God, faying, Certainly, this wasa righteous man. And all the people, that came together to that fight, beholding the things that were done, fmote their breafts, and returned. And all his acquaintance, and the women, that HS follow-

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followed him from Galilee, flood afar off, beholding these things. And behold there was a man named Jofeph, a counfellor, and he was a good man, and a just: (the fame had not confented) to the counfel and deed of them) he was of Arimathea, a city of the Jews (who alfo himself waited for the king dom of God) This man went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jefus. And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a fepulchre, that was hewen in ftone, wherein never man before was And that day was the preparalaid. tion, and the fabbath drew on. And the women alfo which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the fepulchre, and how his body was laid. And they returned, and prepared spices and ointments, and reffed the fabbath- day, according to the commandment.

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THE EPISTLE I. COR. XI. 23. have received of the Lord, that which alfo I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jefus, the fame night, in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and faid, Take, eat, this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the fame manner alfohe took the cup, when he had supped, faying, This cup is the new Teftament in my blood: this doye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye doshew the Lords death till he come. Wherefore whofoever shall eat this bread and drink this cup of the Lord unworthily, shallbeguilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and fo let him ear of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not difcerning the Lords body. For this caufe many are

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are weak and fickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge our felves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chaftened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.

THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN XIII. I. Now before the feast of the passover, when Jefus knew, that his hour was come, that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved hisown, which were in the world, he loved them unto the death. And fupper being ended (the devilhaving now put into the heart of Judas Ifcariot, Simons Son, to betray him) Jefus knowing, that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God, he rifeth from fupper, and laid afide his garments, and took a towel, and girded himself. After that he poureth water into a bafon, and began to wash the disciples feet, and to wipe them with the towel, wherewith he was girded. Then cometh he to Simon

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# GOOD FRIDAY.

FOR THE EPISTLE. ISAL LILL 1. WHo hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lordrevealed? For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form, not comelineis: and when we shall fee him, there is no beauty that we should defire him. He is despifed and rejected ofmen, a man of forrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was defpiled, and we effeemed him not. Surely he hath born our griefs, and carried our forrows: yet we did efteem him ftricken, Imitten of God, and afflicted. But he was bruifed for our iniquities; the chafilement of our peace was upon him, and with his ftripes weare healed. All we like sheep have gone aftray: we have turned every one to his own way, and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppreffed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his

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his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter and as a sheep before her shearer is dumb, fo he opened not his mouth. He was taken from prifon and from judgement: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut offout of the land of the living: for the transgreffion of my people was he ftricken. And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth. Yet it pleafed the Lord to bruife him, he hath put him togrief: when thou shale make his foul an offering for fin, he shall fee his feed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleafure of the Lord shall profper in his hand. He shall fee of the travel of his foul, and shall be fatisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous fervant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong: because he hath poured out

# out his foul unto death; and he was numbred with the transgreffours, and he bare the fin of many, and made interceffion for the transgreffours.

AN OTHER EPISTLE. PSALM XXII. 1. MY God, my God, why haft thou forfaken me? why art thou fo far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring? O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou heareft not; and in the night - feafon, and am not filent. But thou art holy, Othou that inhabiteft the praifes of lfrael. Our fathers trufted in thee: they trufted, and thou didft deliver them. They cried unto thee, and were delivered: they trufted in thee, and were not confounded; But I amaworm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people. All they that fee me, laugh me to fcorn: and they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, faying, He trufted on the Lord, that he would deliver him : let him deliver him, feeing he delighted in him. But thou art he that took me out of the womb;

26 (129) 54 womb; thou didft make me hope, when I was upon my mothersbreafts. I was caft upon thee from the womb: thou art my God of my mothers belly. Be not far from me, for trouble is near; for there is none to help. Many bulls have compassed me: ftrong bulls of Bashan have befet me round. They gaped upon me with their mouths, as a ravening and a roaring lion. I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joynt: my heart is like wax, it is melted in the midft of my bowels. My ftrength is dried up like a potsheard: and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death. For dogs have compassed me, the affembly of the wicked have inclosed me; they pierced my hands and my feet. 1 may tell all my bones: they look and ftare upon me. They part my garments among them, and caft lots upon my vefture. But be not thou far from me, O Lord, o my ftrength, hafte thee, to help me. Deliver my foul

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26 (110) 50 foul from the fword: my darling from the power of the dog: fave me from the lions mouth: for thou haftheard me from the horns of the unicorns. I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midft of the congregation will I praife thee. Ye that fear the Lord, praife him: all ye the feed of Jacob glorify him; and fear him, all ye the feed of Ifrael. For he hath not despiled, nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted: neither hath he hid his face from him; but when he cried unto him, he heard. My praife shall be of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear The meek shall eat and be fatishim fied: they shall praife the Lord, that feek him: your heart shall live for All the ends of the world shall ever. remember and turn unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee. For the kingdom is the Lords: and he is the governor among the nations. All they that be

be fat upon earth, shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the duft, shall bow before him, and none can keep alive his own foul. A feed shall ferve him, it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation. They shall come and shall declare his righteousnefs unto a people, that shall be born, that he hath done this.

AN EPISTLE OVT OF THE NEW TESTAMENT. HEBR. X. I.

THe Law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those facrifices which they offered year by year continually, make the comers thereunto perfect: for then would they not have ceafed to be offered ; becaufe that the worshippers once purged, should have had no more confcience of fins: But in those facrifices there is a remembrance again made of fins every year. For it is not poffible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away fins: Wherefore when he co-EVE meth Iz

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meth into the world, he faith, Sacrifice and offering thou would ft not, but a body haft thou prepared me: In burntofferings and facrifices for fin thou haft had no pleasure: then faid I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book is written of me) to do thy will, o God. Above, when he faid, Sacrifice, and offering, and burnt-offerings for fin thou wouldft not, neither hadst pleasure therein, which are offered by the law: Then faid he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. Hetaketh away the first, that he may eftablish the fecond. By the which will we are fanctified, through the offering of the body of Jefus Chrift once for all. And every prieft frandeth daily ministring, and offering oftentimes the fame facrifices, which can nevertake away fins. But this man after he had offered one facrifice for fins, for ever fat down on the right hand of God; from whence forth expecting till his enemies be made his foot - ftool. For by one offering he hath perfected for ever

36 (13) 58 ever them, that are fanctified: where of the holy Ghoft alfo is a witnefs to us: For after that he had faid before, This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days; faith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; and their fins and iniquities will I remember no more. Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for fin. Having therefore, brethren, boldnefs to enter into the holieft by the blood of Jefus, by a new and living way, which he hath confecrated for us through the vail, that is to fay, his flesh: and having an high Prieft over the houfe of God; let us draw near with a true heart, in full affurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil confcience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold faft the profeffion of our faith without wavering (for he is faithful that promifed) And let us confider one an other to provoke unto love, and to good works; not forfa-Then. king I a

35 (134) SE king the affembling of our felves together, as the manner of fome is; but exhorting one another: and fo much the more, as ye fee the day approaching. THE GOSPEL S. JOHN XVIII. AND XIX. W/Hen Jefus had fpoken thefe words, he went forth with his disciples over the brook Cedron, where was a garden, into the which he entred, and his difciples. And Judas alfo which betrayed him, knew the place: for Jefus oft times reforted thither with his difciples. Judas then having received a band of men and officers from the chief Priefts, and Pharifees, cometh thither with lanterns, and torches, and weapons. Jefus therefore knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth and faid unto them, Whom feek ye? They answered him, Jefusof Nazareth. Jefus faith unto them, I am he. And Judas alfo which betrayed him, flood with them. Affoon then as he had faid unto them, I am he, they went backward, and fell to the ground. Then

AG (135) 50 Then asked he them again, Whom feek ye? and they faid, Jefus of Nazareth. Jefus answered, I have told you, that I am he; If therefore ye feek me, let thefe go their way: that the faying might be fullfilled which he spake, Of them which thou gavestme, have I lost none. Then Simon Peter having a fword, drew it, and fmote the high Priefts fervant, and cut off his right ear: the fervants name was Malchus. Then faid Jesus unto Peter, Put up thy iword into the sheath: the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drinkit? Then the band, and the captain, and the officers of the Jewstook Jefus, and bound him, and led him away to Annas firft (for he was father in law to Caiphas) which was the high Priest that fame year. Now Caiphas was he which gave counfel to the Jews, that it was expedient, that one man should die for the people. And Simon Peter followed Jefus, and fo did an other disciple: that disciple was known unto the high Prieft, 14

Prieft, and went in with Jefus into the palace of the high Prieft. But Peter ftood at the door without. Then went out that other disciple, which was known unto the high Prieft, and fpake unto her that kept the door, and brought in Peter, then faith the damfel that kept the door unto Peter, Art not thou alfo one of this mans difciples? He faith, I am not. And the fervants and officers flood there, who had made a fire of coals (for it was cold) and they warmed them felves: and Peter flood with them, and warmed himself. The high Prieft then asked Jefus of his difciples, and of his doctrine. Jefus anfwered him, I fpake openly to the world, I ever taught in the Synagogue, and in the temple, whither the Jewsalways refort, and in fecret have I faid nothing. Why askeft thou me? ask them which heard me, what I have faid unto them: behold, they know what I faid. And when he had thus spoken, one of the officers which flood by, ftroke

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36 (137) 58 ke Jefus with the palm of his hand, faying, Answereft thou the high Prieft fo? Jefus answered him, If I have fpoken evil, bear witnefs of the evil: but if well, why finiteft thou me? Now Annas had fent him bound unto Caiaphas the high Prieft. And Simon Peter flood and warmed himself: They faid therefore unto him, Art not thou alfo one of hisdifciples. Hedenied it, and faid, I am not. One of the fervants of the high Prieft (being his kinsman, whole ear Peter cut off) faid, did not I fee thee in the garden with him? Peter then denied again, and immediately the cock crew. Then led they Jefus from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgement: and it was early, and they themfelves went norinto the judgement - hall, left they should be defiled: but that they might eat the paffover, Pilate then went out unto them, and faid, What acculation bring you against this man? Theyanfwered and faid unto him, If he were not a malefactor, we would not have DIG IS deli-

delivered him up unto thee. Then faid Pilate unto them, Take ye him, and judge him according to your law. The Tews therefore faid unto him, It is not lawful for us to put any man to death: that the faying of Jefus might be fullfilled, which he spake, fignifying, what death he should die. Then Pilate entred into the judgement - hall again, and called Jefus, and faid unto him, Art thou the king of the Jews? Jefus anfwered him, Sayeft thouthis thing of thy felf, or did others tell it thee of me? Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? thine own nation, and the chief Prieftshave delivered thee unto me: What haft thou done? Jefus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my fervants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence. Pilate therefore faid unto him, Art thouaking then? Jefus answered, Thou fayeft that Iamaking. To this end was I born, and

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36 (139) 58 and for this caufe came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth: every one that is of the truth heareth my voice. Pilate faith unto him, What is truth? And when he had faid this, he went out again unto the Jews, and faith unto them, I find in him no fault at all. But ye have a cuftom, that I should release unto you one at the paffover: will ve therefore that I release unto you the king of the Jews? Then cryed they all again, faying, Not this man, but Barrabas. Now Barrabas was a robber. Then Pilate therefore took Jefus, and fcourged him. And the fouldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head. and they put on him a purple robe. And faid, Hail king of the Jews: and they fmote him with their hands. Pilate therefore went forth again, and faith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know, that I find no fault in him. Then came Jefus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and

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and the purple robe: and Pilate faith unto them, Behold the man. When the chief Priefts therefore and officers faw him, they cryed out, faying, Crucifie him, crucifie him. Pilate faith unto them, Take ye him, and crucifie him: for I find no fault in him. The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, becaufe he made himself the Son of God. When Pilate therefore heard that faying, he was the more afraid, And went again into. the judgement - hall, and faith unto lefus, VVhence art thou? but Jefus gave him no answer. Then faith Pilate unto him, Speakeft thou not unto me? knowest thou not, that I have power to crucifie thee, and have power to releafe thee? Jefus answered, Thou couldeft have no power at all againft me. except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater fin. And from thence-forth Pilate fought to release him: but the Jews cryedout, faying, If thou
36 (141) 56 thou let this mango, thouart not Cefars friend: whofoever maketh himfelf a king, fpeaketh against Cefar. VVhen Pilate therefore heard that faying, he brought Jefus forth, and fate down in the judgement - feat, in a place that is called the pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. And it was the preparation of the paffover, and about the fixth hour: and he faith unto the Jews, Behold your king. But they cryed out, Away with him, away with him, crucifie him. Pilate faith, unto them, Shall I crucifie your king? the chief Priefts answered, VVe have no! king, but Cefar. Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified: and they took Jefus, and led him away. And he bearing his crofs, went forth into a place called the place of a fcull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgatha. VVhere they crucified him, and two other with him, on either fide one, and Jefus in the midft. And Pila-. te wrote a title, and put it on the crofs, and

and the writing was, JESVS OF NAS ZARETH THE KING OF THE IEVVS. This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jelus wascrucified, was nigh to the city, and it was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin. Then faid the chief Priefts of the Jewsto Pilate, VVrite not, The king of the Jews, but that he faid, I am king of the Jews. Pilate answered, VVhat I have written, I have written. Then the fouldiers, when they had crucified Jefus, took his garments (and made four parts, to every fouldier a part) and alfo his coat: now the coat was without feam, woven from the top throughout. They faid therefore among themfelves, Let us not rent it. but caft lots for it, whofe it shall be: that the fcripture might be fulfilled, which faith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my velture they did caft lots. These things therefore the fouldiers did. Now there flood by the crofs of Jefus his mother, and his mothers

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36 (143) 50 thers fifter, Mary, the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. VVhen Jefus therefore faw his mother, and the difciple standing by, whom he loved, he laith unto his mother, VVoman, behold thy fon. Then faith he to the difciple, Behold thy mother. And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home. After this, Jefus knowing that allthings were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, faith, I thirst. Now there was fet a veffel full of vineger, and they filled a fponge with vineger, and put it upon, hyflope, and put it to his mouth. VVhen Iefus therefore had received the vineger, he faid, It is finished, and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost. The Jews therefore, becaufe it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the crofs on the fabbath-day (for that fabbath - day was an high day) befought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. Then came the fouldiers, and brake

36 (144) 58 brake the legs of the first, and of the other, which was crucified with him. But when they came to lefus, and faw that he was dead allready, they brake not his legs. But one of the fouldiers with a spear pierced his fide, and forthwith came thereout blood and water. And the that faw it, bare record, and his record is true; and he knoweth, that he faith true, that ye might believe. For these things were done, that the Scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken. And again another fcripture faith, They shall look on him whom they pierced. And after this, lofeph of Arimathea (being a difciple of Iefus, but fecretly for fear of the lews) befought Pilate, that he mightake away the body of lefus, and Pilate gave him leave: he came therefore, and took the body of lefus. And there came alfo Nicodemus, which at the firft came to lefus by night, and brought a mixture of myrrhe, and aloes, about an hundred pound weight. Then took they

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they the body of Jefus, and wound it in linen clothes, with the fpices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury. Now in the place where he was crucified, there was a garden, and in the garden a new fepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid. There laid they Jefus therefore, becaufe of the Jews preparation - day, for the fepulchre was nigh at hand.

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#### EASTERDAY.

## THE EPISTLE. I. COR. V. 7.

**P**Vrge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Chrift our paffover is facrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feaft, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickednefs: but with the unleavened bread of fincerity and truth.

AN OTHER EPISTLE. Col. III. I. F ye then be rifen with Chrift, feek those things, which are above, where K Chrift

36 (146) 35 Chrift fitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth: For yeare dead, and your life is hid with Chrift in God. When Chrift who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye alfo appear with him in glory. Mortifie therefore your members, which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleannefs, inordinate affection, evil concupifcence, and covetousnefs, which is Idolatry: For which things fake the wrath of God cometh on the children of difobedience. In the which ye also walked fometime. when ye lived in them.

THE GOSPEL. S. MARK. XVI.1. A Nd when the fabbath was paft, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Salome, had bought fweet fpices, that they might come and anoint him. And very early in the morning, the first day of the week, they came unto the fepulchre at the rifing of the fun. And they faid among themfelves, who shall roll us away the ftone from

35 (147) 55 from the door of the fepulchre? (and when they looked, they faw that the ftone was rolled away) for it was very great. And entring into the fepulchre, they faw a young man fitting on the right fide, clothed in a long white garment, and they were affrighted. And he faith unto them, Be not affrighted: ye feek Jefus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is rifen, he is not here: behold the place, where they laid him. But go your way, tell his difciples and Peter, that he goeth before you into Galilee, there shall ye fee him, as he faid unto you And they went out quickly, and fled from the fepulchre; for they trembled, and were amazed, neither faid they any thing to any man: for they were affraid.

AN OTHER GOSPEL. S. JOHN XX. I. THe first day of the week cometh, Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the fepulchre, and feeth the ftone taken away from the fepulchre. Then she runneth and cometh 1 1 3 M 01

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to'Simon Peter, and to the other difciple, whom Jefus loved, and faith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the fepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went forth and that other difciple, and came to the fepulchre. So they ran both together, and the other difciple did out-run Peter, and came first to the fepulchre; and he ftooping down, and looking in, faw the linen clothes - Jying; yet went he not in. Thencometh Simon Peter tollowing him, and went into the fepulchre, and feeth the linen clothes ly: and the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itfelf. Then went in alfo that other disciple, which came first to the fepulchre, and he faw, and believed. For as yet they knew not the Scripture, that he must rife again from the dead. Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

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# MVNDAY IN EASTER - WEEK. THE EPISTLE. ACTS X. 34.

DEter opened his mouth, and faid, Of a truth I perceive that God is no refpecter of perfons; but in every nation, he that feareth him, and worketh right-The eousnefs, is accepted with him. word, which God fent unto the children of Ifraël, preaching peace by Jefus Chrift (he is Lord of all) that word (I fay) you know, which was published throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee, after the baptifm, which John preached: How God anointed Jefus of Nazareth with the holy Ghoft, and with power, who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppresfed of the devil: for God was with him. And we are witneffes of all things which he did, both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerufalem, whom they slew, and hanged on arree: Him God raifed up the third day, and shewed him openly; not to all the people, but unto witneffes chosen before of God, even to K a US SHEL

us, who did eat and drink with him after he arole from the dead. And he commanded us, to preach unto the people, and to teffify that it is he, who was ordained of God to be the judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witnefs, that through his name, wholoever believeth in him, shall receive remiffion of fins.

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THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XXIV. 13. BEhold two of his disciples went that fame day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerufalem about three fcore furlongs. And they talked together of all thefe things, which had happened. And it came to pais, that, while they communed together, and reasoned, Jefus himself drew near, and But their eyes wewent with them. re holden, that they should not know And he faid unto them, What him. manner of communications are thefe that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are fad? And the one of them, whofe name was Cleophas, answering, faid

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faid unto him, Art thou onely a stranger in Jerufalem, and haft not known the things which are come to paistherein these days? And he faid unto them, VVhat things? And they faid unto him, Concerning Jefus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word, before God and all the people: And how the chief priefts, and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him. But we truffed that it had been he, who should have redeemed Ifraël: and befide all this, to day is the third day fince thefe things were done. Yea, and certain women alfo of our company made us aftonished, who were early at the fepulchre; and when they found not his body, they came, faying, that they had alfo feen a vision of angels, which faid, that he was alive. And certain of them who were withus, wentto the fepulchre, and found it even fo, as the women had faid; but him they faw not. Then he faid unto them, O fools, and slow K 4

35 (152) 58 slow of heart to believe all that the prophers have fpoken ! ought not Chrift to have fuffered thefe things, and roenter into his glory? And beginning at Moles, and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the fcriptures the things concerning himself. And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: And he made as though he would have gone further. But they conftrained him, faying, Abide with us, for it is towards evening, and the day is far fpent: And he went in to tarry with them. And it came to passashe fat at meat with them, he took bread, and bleffed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eves were opened, and they knew him, and he vanished out of their fight. And they faid one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the fcriptures? And they role up the fame hour, and returned to Jerufalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and

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and them that were with them, faying, The Lord is rifen in deed, and hath appeared to Simon. And they told what things were done in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread.

## TVESDAY IN EASTER-VVEEK.

### THE EPISTLE. ACTS XIII. 26.

AEn and brethren, children of the ftock of Abraham, and whofoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this falvation fent. For they that dwell at Jerufalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets, which are read every Sabbath-day, they have fulfilled them in condemning him. And though they found no caufe of death in him, yet defired they Pilate, that he should be slain. And when they had fulfilled all that was written of him, they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a fepulchre. But God Kr

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God raifed him from the dead: And he was feen many days of them, which came up with him from Galilee to Jerutalem, who are his witneffes unto the people. And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promife, which was made unto the Fathers, God hath fulfilled the fame unto us their children, in that he hath raifed up Jefus again.

THE GOSPEL S. LVKE XXIV. 36. A Nd as they thus fpake, Jefus himself food in the midft of them, and faith untothem, Peace be unto you ! But they were terrified and affrighted, and fupposed that they had seen a spirit. And he faid unto them, Why are ye troubled, and why do thoughts arife in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet that it is I myself? handle me and fee: for a fpirit hath no flesh and bones, as ye fee me have. And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and And while they yet believed his feet. not for joy, and wondred, he faid unto them, have ye here any meat? And they

36 (155) 58 they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honey-comb. And he took it, and did ear before them, and he faid unto them, Thefe are the words, which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Mofes, and in the Prophets, and in the Pfalms concerning me. Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the fcriptures, and faid unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Chrift to fuffer, and to rife from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remiffion of fins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerufalem. And ye are witneffes of these things.

THE FIRST SVNDAY AFTER EASTER, COMMONLY CALLED QVASIMODOGENITI.

THE EPISTLE. I S. JOHN V. 4. WHatfoever is born of God, over cometh

#### meth the world, and this is the victory, that over cometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that over cometh the world, but he that believeth that lefusis the Son of God? This ishe that came by water and blood, even Jefus Chrift; not by water onely, but by water and blood: and it is the fpirit, that beareth witnefs, becaufe the fpirit is truth. For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the holy Ghoft: and thefe three are one. And there are three that bear witness in earth, the fpirit, and the water, and the blood: and thefe three agree in one. If we receive the witness of men, the witnefs of God is greater: for this is the witness of God, which he hath teffified of his Son. He that believeth on the Son of God, hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God. hath made him a liar, becaufe hebelieveth not the record that God gave of his Son. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life; and this

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this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son, hath life; and he that hath not the Son, hath not life.

THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN XX. 19. THe fame day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut, where the disciples were affembled for fear of the Jews, came Jelus, and flood in the midft, and faith unto them, Peace be unto you! And when he had fo faid, he shewed unto them his hands and his fide. Then were the difciples glad, when they faw the Lord. Then faid Jefus to them again, Peace be unto you! As my Father hath fent me, even fo fend I you. And when he had faid this, he breathed on them, and faith unto them, Receive ye the holy Ghoft. Whofe foever fins ye remit, they are remitted unto them, and whole foever fins ye retain, they are retained. But Thomas one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them, when Jefus came. The other disciples therefore faid unto him, We have

AG (158) 50 have feen the Lord: but he faid unto them, Except I shall fee in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thruft my hand into his fide, I will not believe. And after eight daysagain his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jefus, the doorsbeing shut, and ftood in the midft, and faid, Peace be unto you! Then faith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thruft it into my fide, and be not faithlefs, but believing. And Thomas answered and faid unto him, My Lord, and my God. Jefus faith unto him, Thomas becaufe thou haft feen me, thou haft believed: bleffed are they, that have not feen, and yet have believed. And many other tignstruly did Jefus in the prefence of his difciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written, that ye might believe that Jefus is the Chrift the Son of God, and

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and that believing, ye might have life through his Name.

#### THE SECOND SVNDAY AFTER EASTER, CALLED MISERICORDIAS.

THE EPISTLE. I. S. PET. II. 19.

THis is thank - worthy, if a man for confcience toward God endure grief, fuffering wrongfully. For what glory is it, if when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? But if when ye do well, and fuffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God. For even hereunto were ye called: becaufe Chrift alfo fuffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his fteps: VVho did no. fin, neither was guile found in his mouth: VVho when he was reviled. reviled not again; when he fuffered, he threatned not: but committed himself to him, that judgeth righteously: who his own felf bare our fins in his own body

dy on the tree, that we being dead to fin, should live unto righteousnefs; by whole ftripes ye were healed. For ye were as sheep going aftray; but are now returned unto the shepherd and Bishop of your fouls.

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THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN. X. II. Efus faid, I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whole own the sheep are not, feeth the wolf coming, and leaverh the sheep, and fleeth; and the wolf catcheth them, and fcattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, becaufe he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even fo know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold; themalfo I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

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THE EPISTLE. I S. PET. II. II. Early beloved, I befeech you as ftrangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lufts, which war against the foul; having your conversation honeft among the gentiles, that whereas they fpeak against you as evil-doers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit your felves to every ordinance of man for the Lords fake, whether it be to the king, as fupreme, or unto governors, as unto them, that are fent by him, for the punishment of evil-doers, and for the praife of them, that do well. For fo is the will of God, that with well - doing ye may put to filence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberry for a cloke of maliciousness; but as the fervants of God. Honour all men ner bour is Time : but as

men. Love the brotherhood. Fear Good. Honour the king.

THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN XVI. 16. Efus faid to his difciples, A little while; and ye shall not fee me; and again, A little while, and ye shall feeme, becaufe I go to the Father. Then faid fome of his disciples among themselves, What is this, that he faith unto us, A little while, and ye shall not feeme; and again, A little while, and ye shall fee me; and, Becaufe I go to the Father? They faid therefore, What is this that he faith, A little while? we can not tell what he faith. Now Jefus knew, that they were defirous to ask him, and faid unto them, Do ye enquire among yourfelves of that I faid, A little while, and ye shall fee me? Verily, verily I fay unto you, that ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoyce: and ye shall be forrowful, but your forrow shall be turned into joy. A woman when she is in travail, hath forrow, becaufe her hour is come: but as foon as che

## she is delivered of the child, she remembreth no more the anguish, for joy, that a man is born into the world. And ye now therefore have for row: but I will fee you again, and your heart shall rejoyce, and your joy no man taketh from you. And in that day ye shall ask me nothing.

#### THE FOVRTH SVNDAY AFTER EASTER, CALLED CANTATE,

#### THE EPISTLE, S. JAM. I. 17.

E Very good gift, and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variablenefs, neither shadow of turning. Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first - fruits of his creatures. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of L 2 God. God. Wherefore lay a part all filthinefs, and fuperfluity of naughtinefs, and receive with meeknefs the engrafted word, which is able to fave your fouls.

THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN XVI. 5. TEfus faid unto his difciples, Now I go Jmy way to him that fent me, and none of you asketh me, Whithergoeft thou? But becaufe I have faid thefe things unto you, forrow hath filled your heart. Neverthelefs I tell you the truth, it is expedient for you, that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will fend him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of fin, and of righteousnefs, and of judgement: of fin; becaufe they believe not on me: of righteousnefs; becaule I go to my Father, and ye fee me no more: of judgement; becaufe the Prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to fay unto you, but ye can not bear them now. Howbeit, when

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when he the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not fpeak of himself; but whatever he shall hear, that shall he fpeak, and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. All things that the Father hath, are mine: therefore faid I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

THE FIFTH SVNDAY AFTER EASTER, CALLED VOCEM JVCVNDITA-TIS.

#### THE EPISTLE. S. JAMES I. 22.

BE ye doers of the word, and nor hearers onely, deceiving your own felves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glafs. For he beholdeth himself and goeth his way, and ftraight way forgetteth, what manner of man he was. But whofo L 3 looklooketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be bleffed in his deed. If any man among you feem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this mans religion is vain. Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father, 'is this; To vifit the fatherlefs and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unfpotted from the world.

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THE GOSPEL S JOHN XVI. 23. Efus faid unto his difciples, Verily, verily I fay unto you, VVhatfoever ye shall ask the Father in my Name, he will give it you. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my Name: Ask and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. These things have I shall receive, the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shallshew you plainly of the Father. At that day ye shall ask in my Name: and I fay not unto you,

### you, that I will pray the Father for you; for the Father, himself loveth you, becaufe ye have loved me, and have believed, that I came out from God. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again I leave the world, and go to the Father. His difciples faid unto him, Lo, now fpeakeft thou plainly, and fpeakeft no proverb. Now are we fure, that thou know eft all things, and needeft not, that any man should ask thee: by this we believe, that thou cameft forth from God.

### THE ASCENSION-DAY OF CHRIST.

## THE EPISTLE. ACTS. I. L.

The former treatife have I made, O. Theophilus, of all that Jefusbegan both to do and teach, until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the holy Ghoff had given commandments unto the Apoffles, whom he had chofen. To whom alfo he L 4 shew**168)** 5**6** 

shewed himself alive after his paffion, by many infallible proofs, being feen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God: And being affembled together with them, commanded them, that they should not depart from Jerufalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, faith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized with the holy Ghoft not many days hence. When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, faying, Lord, wilt thou at this time reftore again the kingdom to Ifrael? And he faid untothem, It is not for you to know the times or the feafons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power after that the holy Ghoft is come upon you; and yeshall be witneffes untome, both in Jerufalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria : and unto the uttermost part of the earth. And when he had fpoken these things, while they be-

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beheld, he was taken up, and a cloud received him out of their fight. And while they looked ftedfaftly toward heaven, as he went up, behold, two men ftood by them in white apparel; which alfo faid, Ye men of Galilee, why ftand ye gazing up into heaven? This fame Jefus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall fo come in like manner, as ye have feen him go into heaven.

THE GOSPEL. S. MARK. XVI. 14. Efus appeared unto the eleven, as they Jfat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief, and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had feen him after he was rifen. And he faid unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gofpel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized, shall be faved; but he that believeth not, shall be damned. And thefe figns shall follow them, that believe: In my Name shall they caft out devils, they shall fpeak with newtongues, they shall take up ferpents, and if they beak, let gill peak they

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they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the fick, and they shall recover. So then after the Lord had fpoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and fat on the right hand of God. And they went torth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with figns following.

#### SVNDAY AFTER ASCENSION-DAY, CALLED EXAVDI.

#### THE EPISTLE. I. S. PET. IV. 7.

BE ye therefore fober and watch unto prayer. And above all things have fervent charity among your felves: for charity shall cover the multitude of fins. Use hospitality one to another without grudging. As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the fame one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God: If any man minister, let him do it as of the ability, which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jefus Chrift, to whom be praife and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN XV. 26.

AND PART OF THE XVI. CH. TEfus faid unto his difciples, when the Comforter is come, whom I will fend unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall teltify of me. And ye alfo shall bear witnefs, becaufe ye have been with me from the beginning. These things have I spoken unto you, that yeshould not be offended. They shall put you out of the iynagogues: yea, the time cometh, that wholeever killeth you, will think, that he doeth God fervice. And these things will they do unto you, becaufe they have not known the Father, nor me: bur these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember, that I told you of them. And these erealiantexed, and mervel. things ,bei

things I faid not unto you at the beginning, becaufe I was with you.

## WHITSVNDAY.

### THE EPISTLE. ACTS II. I.

WHen the day of Pentecoft was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And fuddenly there. came a found from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house, where they were fitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues, like as of fire, and it fat upon each of them: And they were all filled with the holy Ghoft, and began to fpeak. with other tongues, as the fpirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerufalem Jews, devout men out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noifed abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed, and marvelled,

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led, faying one to another, Behold, are not all thefe, which fpeak, Galileans? and how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we wereborn? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mefopotamia, and in Judea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Afia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya, about Cyrene, and ftrangers of Rome, Jews and Profelytes, Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them fpeak in our tonguesthe wonderful works of God. And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, faying one to another, What meaneth this? Others mocking faid, Thefemen are full of new wine.

THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN XIV. 23. IEfus faid, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not, keepeth no my fayings: and the word, which you hear is not mine but the Fathers, which fent

fent me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the holy Ghoft, whom the Father will fend in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatfoever I have faid unto you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you, not as the world giveth, give I unto you: let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard, how I faid unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoyce, becaufe I faid, I go unto the Father : for my Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it come to pais, that when it is come to pass, ye might believe. Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the Prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me. But that the world may know, that I love the Father, and as the Father gave me commandment, even fo I do: arife, let us go hence. MVN-

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And he (the Lord Jefus Chrift) com-manded us to preach unto the people, and to teffifie, that it is he which was ordained of God, to be the judge of quick and dead. To him give all the Prophets witnefs, that through his Name, whofoever believeth in him, shall receive remiffion of fins. VVhile Peter yet fpake thefe words, the holy Ghoft fell on all them, which heard the word. And they of the circumcifion which believed, were aftonished, as many as came with Peter, becaufe that on the Gentiles alfo was poured out the gift of the holy Ghoft. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnifie God. Then answered Peter, Can any man forbid water, that thefe should not be baptized, which have received the holy Ghoft, as well as we. And he commanded them to be baptized in the Name of the Lord,

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THE GOSPEL S. JOHN III. 16. TEfus faid unto Nicodemus, God fo loved the world, that he gave hisonely begotten Son, that whofoever believeth in him, should not perish, but have everlafting life. For God fent not his Son into the world, to condemn the world, but that the world through him might befaved. He that believeth on him, is not condemned: but he that believeth not, is condemned already, becaufe he hath not believed in the Name of the onely begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darknefs rather than light. becaufe their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil, hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, left his deeds should be reproved. But he that doeth truth, cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifelt, that they are wrought in God.

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THE EPISTLE. ACTS VIII. 14. When the Apostles, who were at Jerusalem, heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John; who when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the holy Ghost (for as yet he was fallen upon none of them: onely they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus) Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the holy Ghost.

THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN X. 1. JEfus faid, Verily, verily I fay unto you, He that entreth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up fome other way, the fame is a thief and a robber. But he that entreth in by the door, is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the porter openeth, and the sheep hear his voice, and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own M sheep,

sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow; but will flee from him: for they. know not the voice of ftrangers. This parable fpake Jefus unto them: but they underflood not, what things they were, which he fpake unto them. Then faid Jefus unto them again, Verily, verily I fay unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before me, are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door; by me if any man enterin, he shall be faved, and shallgo in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not, but for tosteal, and tokill, and to deftroy: I am come, that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

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# TRINITY - SVNDAY.

THE EPISTLE. ROM. XI. 33. ) the depth of the riches both of the Wiswisdom and knowledge of God how unifearchable are his judgements, and his ways paft finding out? For who hath known the mind of the Lord, or who hath been his counfellor? Or, who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again? For of him, and through him, and to him are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen!

THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN. III. I. THere was a man of the Pharifees. named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. The fame came to Jefus by night, and faid unto him, Rabbi, we know, that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do thefe miracles, that thou doeft, except Godbe with him. Jefus answered and faid untohim, Verily, verily I fay unto thee, Except a man beborn again, he can not fee the kingdom of God. Nicodemus laith unto him, How can a man be born, when he isold? can be enter the fecond time into his mothers womb, and be born? M 2 w190

35 (180) 58 born? Jefus answered, Verily, verily I fay unto thee, Except a man be born of water, and of the Spirit, he can not enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the Spirit, is Spirit. Marvel not, that I faid unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it lifteth, and thou heareft the found thereof; but canft not tell, whence it cometh, and whither it goeth; fo is every one that is born of the Spirit. Nicodemus answered and faid unto him, How can thefe things be? Jefus answered and faid unto him, Art thou a mafter of Ifrael, and knoweft not thefe things? Verily, verily I fay unto thee, We fpeak that we do know, and teffifie that we have feen, and ye receive not our witnefs. If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not; how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things? and no man hath afcended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man, who is in heaven. And as Moles lifted up the ferpent in the wilder-

# dernefs: even fo must the Son of man be litted up, that whofoever believeth in him, should not perish, but have eternal life.

#### THE FIRST SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. I. S. JOHN IV. 16.

Od is love; and he that dwelleth in Glove, dwelleth in God, and God in him. Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgement, becaufe as he is, fo are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love cafteth out fear; becaufe fear hath torment. He that feareth, is not made perfect in love. We love him, because he first loved us. If a man fay, I love God, and hareth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth nothis brother, whom he hath feen, how can he love God, whom he hath not feen? And this commandment have we from him. M 3 bas

him, that he who loveth God, love his brother alfo.

THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XVI. 19. THere was a certain rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared fumptuously every day. And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, who was laid at hisgate full of fores, and defiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich mans rable: moreover the dogs came and licked his fores. And it came to pais, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abrahamsbofom: the rich man alfodied, and was buried. And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and feeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bofom. And he cried and faid. Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and fend Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my rongue, for I anttormented in this flame. But Abraham faid, Son, remember, that thou in thy llifetime receivedit thy good things, and

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and likewife Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And befides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: fothat they who would pafs from hence to you, can not; neither can they pais to us, that would come from thence. Then he faid, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou would ft fend him to my fathers house: for I have five brethren; that he may teftifie unto them, left they alfo come into this place of torment. Abraham faith unto him, They have Mofes and the Prophets; let them hear them. And he faid, Nay, father Abraham; but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he faid unto him, If they hear not Mofes and the Prophets, neither will they be perfwaded, though one role from the dead.

THE SECOND SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY. THE EPISTLE. 1 S. JOHN III. 13. M 4 Mare

36 (184) 50 Arvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you. WVe know that we have paffed from death unto life, becaufe we love the brethren: he that loveth not his brother, abideth in death. VVhofoever hateth his brother, is a murderer; and ye know, that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. Hereby perceive we the love of God, becaufe he laid down his life for us; and we ought to lav down our lives for the brethren. But whofo hath this worlds good, and feeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compasfion from him; how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.

THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XIV. 16. A certain man made a great fupper, and bade many; and fent his fervant at fupper-time to fay to them that were bidden, Come, for all things are now ready. And they all with one confent began to make excufe. The firft faid un-

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36 (185) 58 to him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it; I pray thee, have me excuted. And another faid, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them; I pray thee, have me excufed. And another faid, I have married a wife, and therefore I can not come. So that fervant came. and shewed his Lord thefe things. Then the Master of the house being angry, faid to his fervant, Go out quickly into the ftreets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. And the fervant faid, Lord it is done, as thou haft commanded, and yet there is room. And the Lord faid unto the fervant, Go out into the high - ways, and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, that none of those men which were bidden, shall taft of my fupper.

THE THIRD SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY. THE EPISTLE. I S. PET. V. 6. M 5 Hum-

AG (186) 58 Wmble your felves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time; caffing all your care upon him, for he careth for you. Be fober, be vigilant: because your adverfary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, feeking whom he may devour: whom refift ftedfaft in the faith, knowing that the fame afflictions are accomplished in your brechren, that are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us into his eternal glory by Chrift Jefus, after that ye have fuffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strenghten, settle you. To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen!

THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XV. I. Then drew near unto him all the publicans and finners, for to hear him. And the Pharifees and Scribes murmured, faying, This man receiveth finners, and eateth with them. And he fpake this parable unto them, faying, What man of you having an hundred sheep,

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sheep, if he lofe one of them, doeth not leave the ninety and nine in the wildernefs, and go after that which is loft, until he findit? And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoycing. And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends, and neighbours, faying unto them, Rejoyce with me, for I have found my sheep, which was loft. I fay unto you, that likewife joy shall be in heaven over one finner that repenteth, more than over ninery and nine just perfons, which need no repentance. Either what woman, having ten pieces of filver, if she lofe one piece, doth not light a candle, and fweep the house, and feek diligently, till she find it. And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and her neighbours rogether, faying, Rejoyce with me, for I have found the piece which I had loft. Likewife I fay unto you, There is joy in the prefence of the angels of God over one finner that repentethe reduct of this allas TUOT

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# THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. ROM. VIII, 18. reckon that the fufferings of this prefent time are not worthy to be compared with the glory, which shall be rewealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the fons of God. For the creature was made fubject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him, who hath fubjected the fame in hope: becaufe the creature itfelf also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know, that the whole creation groaneth, and travaileth in pain together until now. And not onely they, but our felves alfo, which have the first - fruits of the Spirit, even we ourfelves groan within our felves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

JEfus faid, Be ye therefore merciful, as your

35 (189) 58 your Father alfo is merciful. Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven : give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bofom. For with the fame measure, that ye mete withall, it shall be meafured to you again. And he fpake a parable unto them, Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch? the disciple is not above his mafter; but every one that is perfect, shall be as his mafter. And why beholdeft thou the mote that is in thy brothers eye, but perceiveft not. the beam that is in thine own eye? Either how canft thou fay to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyfelf beholdeft not the beam, that is in thine own. eye? Thou hypocrite, caft out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then. shalt ood? But and if ye luffer ion

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# THE FIFTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY. THE EPISTEE, I S. PET III. 8.

Inally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous; not rendring evil for evil, or railing for railing; but contrary wife bleffing, knowing, that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a bleffing. For he that will love life, and fee good days, let him refrain histongue from evil, and his lips, that they fpeak not guile. Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him feek peace, and enfueit. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? But and if ye fuffer ton rightrighteousness fake, happy are ye, and be not afraid of their terrour, neither be troubled: but fanctifie the Lord God in your hearts.

THE GOSPER S. LYKE V. I. T came to pass, that as the people preffed upon him to hear the word of God, he ftood by the lake of Genefareth, and faw two ships ftanding by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets. And he entred into; one of the ships, which was Simons, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land: and he fat down and taught the people out of the ship. Now when he had left speaking, he faid unto Simon, Lanch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. And Simon answering, faid untohim, Master we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing; neverthelefs at thy word I will let down the net. And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude offishes, and their net brake. And they SVI

they beckned unto their partners. which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, for hat they began to fink. When Simon Peter faw it, he fell down at Jefus knees faying, Depart from me, for I am a finful man, o Lord. For he was aftonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken: and fo was alfo James and John, the fons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jefus faid unto Simon, Fear not, from whence forth thou shalt catch men. And when they had brought their ships to land, they forfook all, and followed him.

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# THE SIXTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. ROM. VI. 3.

K Now ye not, that fo many of us as were baptized into Jefus Chrift, were baptized into his death? Therefore we

AS (193) 55 we are buried with him by baptifm into death: that like as Chrift was raifed up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even to we also should walk in newnefs of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his refurrection: knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of fin might be deftroyed, that henceforth we should not ferve fin. For he that is dead, is freed from fin. Now if we be dead with Chrift, we believe that we shall also live with him; knowing that Chrift being raifed from the dead, dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. For in that he died, he died unto fin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Likewife reckon ye also your felves to be dead indeed unto fin: but alive unto God, through Jefus Chriftour Lord. THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. V. 20. Efus faid unto his disciples, Except your righteousness shall exceed the N

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righteousnefs of the Scribes' and Pharifees, ye shall in no cafe enter into the kingdom of heaven. Ye have heard, that it was faid by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill: and whofoever shall kill, shall be in danger of the judgment. But I fay unto you, that whofoever is angry with his brother without a cause, shall be in danger of the judgment: and whofoever shall fay to his brother, Racha, shall be in danger of the councel: but whofoever shall fay, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell - fire. Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there remembreft that thy brother hath ought against thee, leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way, first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. Agree with thine adverfary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; left at any time the adverfary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be caft into prifon. Verily I fay unto thee, thoushalt by

# by no means come out thence, till thou haft paid the uttermost farthing.

#### THE SEVENTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

### THE EPISTLE. ROM. VI. 19.

fpeak after the manner of men, becaufe of the infirmity of your flesh; for as ye have yielded your members fervants to uncleannefs, and to iniquity, unto iniquity; even fo now yield your members fervants to righteousnefs, unto holinefs. For when ye were the fervants of fin, ye were free from righteousnels. What fruit had ye then in those things, whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death. But now being made free from fin, and become fervants to God, ye have your fruit unto holinefs, and the end everlafting life. For the wages of fin is death: but the gift of God is eternal life, through Jefus Chrift our Lord.

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36 (196) 55 THE GOSPEL. S. MARK. VIII. I. IN those days the multitude being very great, and having nothing to eat, Jefus called his disciples unto him, and faith unto them, I have compaffion on the multitude, becaufe they have now been with me threedays, and have nothing to eat: and if I fend them away fafting to their own houfes, they will faint by the way: for diversof them came from far. And his disciples answered him, From whence can a man fatisfie thefe men with bread here in the wildernefs? And he asked them, How many loaves have ye? And they faid, Seven. And he commanded the people to fit down on the ground: and he rook the feven loaves, and gave thanks, and brake, and gave to his disciples to fet before them : and they did let them before the people. And they had a few fmall fishes; and he bleffed, and commanded to fet them alfo before them. So they dideat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken meat that was left, feven baskets.

# kets. And they that had eaten were about four thousand; and he sent them away.

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THE EPISTLE. ROM. VIII. 12.

Rethren, we are debters not to the flesh, to live after the flesh: For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall dy: but if ye through the Spirit do mortifie the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the fons of God. For ye have not received the Spirit of bondage again to fear: but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit it felf beareth witnefs with our spirit, that we are the children of God. And if children, then heirs: heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Chrift: if fo be that we fuffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

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THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. VII. 15. Esus faid, Beware of false prophets, J which come to you in sheeps - clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thiftles? Even fo every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit: A good tree can not bring forth evil fruit; neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit, is hewen down and caft into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that faith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven: but he that doth the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will fay to meinthat day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophefied in thy name? and in thy name have caft out devils? and in thy name done wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never

# never knew you: depart from meye that work iniquity.

#### THE NINTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

#### THE EPISTLE. I. COR. X. 6.

Now these things were our exam-ples, to the intent we should not luft after evilthings, as they also lusted. Neither beye idolaters, as were fome of them; as it is written, The people fat down to eat and drink, and role up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as fome of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thoufand. Neither let us tempt Chrift, as fome of them alfotempred, and were destroyed of ferpents. Neither murmure ye, as fome of them alfo murmured, and were deftroyed of the deftroyer. Now all these things happened unto them for enfamples : and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. Whe-N4

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#### Wherefore let him that thinketh he ftandeth, take heed left he fall. There hath no temptation taken you, but fuch as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not fuffer you to be tempted above that ye are able: but will with the temptation alfo make a way to efcape, that ye may be able to bear it. THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XVI. I.

Efus faid unto his difciples, There was a certain rich man who had a fleward, and the lame was accused unto him. that he had wafted his goods. And he called him, and faid unto him, How is it that I hear this of thee? Give an account of thy flewardship; for thou mayeft be no longer fteward. Then the fleward faid within himself, Whar shall I do? for my lord taketh away from me the ftewardship: I can not dig, to beg I am ashamed. I am refolved what to do, that when I am put out of the flewardship, they may receive me into their houfes. So he called every one of his lords debters unto him,

36 (201) 55 him, and faid unto the first, How much oweft thou unto my lord? And he faid, An hundred measures of oyl. And he faid unto him, Take thy bill, and fit down quickly, and write fifty. Then faid he to another, And how much oweft thou? And he faid, An hundred measures of wheat. And he faid unto him, Takethy bill, and write four fcore. And the lord commended the unjuft fteward, becaufe he had done wifely: for the children of this world are in their generation wifer, than the children of light. And I fay unto you, Make to your felves friends of the Mammon of unrighteousness, that when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.

THE TENTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. I. COR. XII. I.

Oncerning fpiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant. Ye N 5 know

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know that ye were Gentiles carried away unto thefe dumb idols, even, as ye were led. Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jefus accurfed; and that no man can fay that Jefus is the Lord, but by the holy Ghoft. Now there are diversities of gifts, but the fame Spirit. And there are differences of administrations, but the fame Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the fame God, who workethall in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man, to profit withall. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the fame Spirit; to another faith by the fame Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the fame Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another difcerning of Spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues. But all thefe worketh that one and the felf-fame Spi-

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Spirit, dividing to every man feverally, as he will.

THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XIX. 41. A Nd when he was come near, he be-Aheld the city, and wept over it, faying, If thou hadft known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace ! but now they are hid from thine eyes. For the days shall come upon thee that thine enemies shall caft a trench about thee; and compais theeround, and keep thee in on every fide, and shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee: and they shall not leave in thee one ftone upon another, because thou kneweft not the time of thy vifitation. And he went into the temple, and began to caft out them that fold therein, and them that bought, faying untothem, It is written, My house is the house of prayer, but ye have made it a den of thieves. And he taught daily in the temple. But the chief Priefts, and the Scribes, and the chief of the people fought

fought to deftroy him. And could not find what they might do: for all the people were very attentive to hear him.

#### THE ELEVENTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

#### THE EPISTLE. I COR. XV. I.

Rethren, I declare unto you the Gofpel which I preached unto you, which alfo ve have received; and wherein ye ftand. By which alfo ye are faved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all!, that which I alforeceived, how that Chrift died for our fins, according to the Scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he rofe again thethird day according to the Scriptures; and that he was feen of Cephas, then of the twelve. After that, he was feen of above five hundred brethren atonce; of whom the greater part remain unto this prefent; but fome are fallen asleep. After

After that he was feen of James; then of all the Apoftles: and laft of all he was feen of me alfo, as of one born out of due time: For I am the leaft of the Apoftles, that am not meet to be called an Apoftle, becaufe I perfecuted the Church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was beftowed upon me, was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all; yet not I,,but the grace of God which was with me.

THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XVIII. 9. JEfus fpake this parable unto certain which trufted in themfelves, that they were righteous, and defpifed others; Two men went up into the templeto pray; the one a Pharifee, and the other a Publican. The Pharifee ftood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjuft, adulterers, or even as this Publican. I faft twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I poffefs. And the publican ftanding afar off, would

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would not lift up fo much as hiseyes unto heaven, but finote upon his breaft, faying, God be merciful to me a finner. I tell you, this man went down to his houfe juftified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself, shall be abafed; and he that humbleth himself, shall be exalted.

#### THE TWELFTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

#### THE EPISTLE. 2. COR. III. 4.

SVch truft have we through Chrift to God-ward. Not that we are fufficient of our felves to think any thing as of our felves: but our fufficiency is of God. Who alfo hath made us able minifters of the new Teftament; not of the letter, but of the Spirit: for the letter killeth, but the Spirit giveth life. But if the ministration of death written, and engraven in flones, was glorious, fo that the children of Ifrael could not ftedfaftly behold the face of Mofes for the glory of

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of his countenance, which glory was to be done away: how shall not the ministration of the Spirit be rather glorious? For if the ministration of condemnation be glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

THE GOSPEL. S. MARK. VII. 31-TEfus departing from the coafts of Ty-Jre and Sidon, came unto the feaof Galilee, through the midft of the coafts of Decapolis. And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his fpeech; and they befeech him to put his hand upon him. And he took him a fide from the multitude, and put his fingers into hisears, and he fpit and touched histongue; and looking up to heaven, he fighed, and faith unto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened. And ftraightway his ears were opened, and the ftring of his tongue was loofed, and he spake plain. And he charged them that they should tell no man; but the more he charged them, fo much \* Stille

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much the more a great deal they published it, and were beyond measure aftonished, faying, He hath done all things well; he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to (peak.

#### THE THIRTEENTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

#### THE EPISTLE. GAL. III. 15.

Rethren, I fpeak after the manner of men: though it bebut a mans covenant, yet (if it be confirmed) no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto. Now to Abraham and his feed were the promifes made. He faith not, And to feeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy feed, which is Chrift. And this I fay, that the covenant that was confirmed before of God in Chrift, the law which was four hundred and thirty years after, can not difannul, that it should make the promise of none effect. For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promife: but God gave it to Abra-

AG (209) SE Abraham by promife. VVherefore then ferveth the law? It was added becaufe of transgreffions, till the feed should come, to whom the promife was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediatour. Now a mediatour is not a mediatour of one. but God is one. Is the law then again ft the promifes of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given, which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law. But the fcripture hath concluded all under fin. that the promise by faith of Jesus Chrift might be given to them that believe.

THE GOSPEL S. LVKE X. 23. A Nd Jefus turned him unto his difciples, and faid privately, bleffed are the eyes which fee the things that ye fee. For I tell you, that many prophets and kings have defired to fee thole things which ye fee, and have not feen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them. And behold, a certain lawyer ftood up, and tempted O him.

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him, faying, Mafter, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He faid unto him. What is written in the law? how readeftthou? And heanswering, faid, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy foul, and with all thy ftrength, and with all thy mind, and thy neighbour as thy felf. And he faid unto him, Thou haft anfwered right, thisdo, and thou shalt live. But he willing to justifie himself. faid unto Jefus, And who is my neighbour? And Jefus answering faid, A certain man went down from Jerufalem. to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which ftripped him of hisraiment, and wounded him, and departed leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain prieft that way, and when he faw him, he paffed by on the other fide. And likewife a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and paffed by on the other fide. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was; and when

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#### THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. GAL. V. 16.

I fay then, walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the luft of the flesh: For the flesh lufteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are O 2 con-

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contrary the one to the other; fo that ye can not do the things that ye would. But if ye be led by the Spirit, yeare not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifeft, which are thefe. Adultery, fornication, uncleannefs, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, herefies, envyings, murders, drunkennefs, revellings; and fuch like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past. that they who do fuch things, shall not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long fuffering, gentlenefs, goodnefs, faith, meekness, temperance, against fuch there is no law. And they that are Chrifts, have crucified the flesh, with the affections and lufts.

THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XVII. II. A Nd it came to pais, as Jefus went to Jerufalem, that he paffed through the midft of Samaria and Gallilee. And as he entred into a certain village, there met
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met him ten men that were lepers, who ftood afar off. And they lifted up their voices, and faid, Jefus mafter, have mercy on us. And when he faw them, he faid unto them, Go, shew your felves unto the priest. And it came to pais that as they went, they were cleanfed. And one of them, when he faw that he washealed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks; and he was a Samaritan. And Jefus answering, faid, Were there not ten cleanfed? but where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, fave this ftranger. And he faid unto him, Arife, gothy way, thy faith hath made thee whole.

#### THE FIFTEENTH SVNDAY AFTER' TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. GAL. V. 25. & VI. F.

JF we live in the Spirit, let us alfo walk in the Spirit. Let us not be defirous O 3 of

#### 35 (214) 50 of vain glory provoking one an other, envying one another. Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, reftore such an one in the Spirit of meeknefs; confidering thyself, left thou alfo be tempted. Bear ye one anothers burdens, and fo fulfill the law of Chrift. For if a man think himself to be fome thing, he deceiveth himself. But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoycing in himself alone, and not in another. For every man shall bear his own burden. Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things. Be not deceived, God is not mocked : for whatfoever a man foweth, that shall he alfo reap. For he that foweth to his flesh, shall of the flesh reap corruption: but he that foweth to the Spirit, shall of the Spirit reap life everlafting. And let us norbe weary in well doing: for indueseason we shall reap, if we faint not. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto

# unto all men, especially unto them who are of the houshold of faith.

THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. VI. 24. NO man can ferve two mafters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or elfe he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye can not ferve God and Mammon. Therefore I fay unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on: Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? Behold the fowls of the air; for they fow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them: Are ye not much better than they? which of you by taking thought can add one cubir unto his ftature? And why take yethought for raiment? Confider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they toil not, neither do they fpin: And yet I fay unto you, that even Salomon in all hisglory was not arayed like one of these. Wherefore 04

#### 35 (216) 58 fore if God fo clothe the grafs of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is caft into the oven; shall he not much more clothe you, o ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, faying, what shall we eat? or what shall we drink? or wherewithall shall we be clothed? (for after all these things do the Gentiles feek) For your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousnes, and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow; for the morrow shall take

thought for the things of it felf: fufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

## THE SIXTEENTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. EPHES. III. 13.

Defire that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. For this caufe I bow my knees unto the

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the Father of our Lord Jefus Chrift, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that he would grant you according to the riches of his glory, to be ftrengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man: that Chrift may dwell in your heart, by faith; that ye being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all faints, what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Chrift which paffeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulnels of God. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the Church by Chrift Jefus, throughout allages, world without end. Amen.

THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE VII. II. A Ndit came to pais the day after, that Jefus went into a city called Nain, and many of his difciples went with him, and much people. Now when O 5 he

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he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only fon of his mother, and she was a widow; and much people of the ciry was with her. And when the Lord faw her, he had compation on her, and faid unto her, VVeep not. And he came and touched the biere, (and they that bare him ftood ftill) and he faid, Young man, I fay unto thee, Arife. And he that was dead, fat up, and began to fpeak: and he delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on all, and they glorified God, faying, that a great prophet is rifen up among us, and that God hath visited his people. And this rumour of him went forth throughout all Judea, and throughout all the region round about.

## THE SEVENTEENTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. EPHES. IV. I.

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befeech you, that ye walk worthy of the vocation where with ye are called, with all low line is, and meekne is, with long fuffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptilm, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

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THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XIV. I. IT came to pais, as Jeius went into the houfe of one of the chief Pharifees to eat bread on the Sabbath - day, that they watched him. And behold, there was a certain man before him, who had the dropfie. And Jeius answering, fpake unto the lawyers and Pharifees, faying. Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath - day.? And they held their peace. And he took him, and healed him, and let him go; and answered them, faying, Which of you shall have one afs, or an ox fallen into a pit, and will not ftraight way pull him

him out on the fabbath - day? And they could not answer him again to thefe things. And he put forth a parable to those who were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms, faying unto them, When thou art bidden of any man to a wedding, fit not down in the higheft room, left a more honourable man than thou, be bidden of him: and he that bade thee and him, come and fay to thee, Give this man place; and thou begin with shame to take the loweft room. But when thou art bidden, go and fit down in the loweft room, that when he that bade thee, cometh, he may fay unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have worship in the prefence of them that fit at meat with thee. For whofoever exalteth himself, shall be abased, and he that humbleth himself, shall be exalted.

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THE EIGHTEENTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY. THE EPISTLE. I. COR. I. 4. I Thank

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I Thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jefus Chrift: that in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge, even as the teftimony of Chrift was confirmed in you: So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jefus Chrift, who shall alfo confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blamelefs in the day of our Lord Jefus Chrift.

THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XXII. 34. WHen the Pharifees had heard that

V Jefus had put the Sadducees to filence, they were gathered together. Then one of them who was a lawyer, asked him a queftion, tempting him, and faying, Mafter, which is the great commandment in the law? Jefus faid unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy foul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the fecond is like unto it, Thou shalt

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shalt love thy neighbour as thy felf. On these two commandments hang all the law and the Prophets. While the Pharifees wereigathered together, Jefus asked them, faying, What think ye of Chrift? whofe Son is he? They fay unto him, The Son of David. He faith, unto them, How then doth David in Spirit call him Lord, faying, The Lord faid unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy foot ftool? If David then call him Lord, how is he his Son? And no man was able to answer him a word, neither durst any man (from that day forth) ask him any more queftions.

#### THE NINETEENTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. EPHES, IV. 22.

PVt ye then off concerning the former conversation, the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lufts; and be renewed in the Spirit rit of your mind; and put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousnefs, and true holinefs. Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour; for we are members one of another. Be ye angry and fin not. Let not the fun go down upon your wrath: neither give place to the devil. Let him that stole, steal no more; but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.

THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. IX. I. JEfus entred into a ship, and paffed over, and came into his own city. And behold, they brought to him a man fick of the palfie, lying on a bed. And Jefus feeing their faith, faid unto the fick of the palfie, Son be of good cheer, thy fins be forgiven thee. And behold, certain of the Scribes faid within themfelves, This man blafphemeth. And Jefus knowing their thoughts, faid, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?

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hearts? For whether is eafier to fay, Thy fins be forgiven thee? or to fay, Arife and walk? But that ye may know, that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive fins (then faith heto the fick of the palfie) Arife, take up thy bed, and go into thine houfe. And he arofe and departed to his houfe. But when the multitude faw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, who had given fuch power unto men.

## THE TWENTIETH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

## THE EPISTLE. EPHES. V. 15.

See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wife, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. VVherefore be yenot unwife, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; speaking to your felves in plalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs; fingfinging and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the Name of our Lord Jefus Chrift, fubmitting your felves one to another in the fear of God.

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THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XXII.I. A Nd Jefus answered, and fpake unto Chem again by parables, and faid, The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, who made a marriage for his fon: and fent forth his fervants to call them that were bidden to the wedding; and they would not come. Again, he fent forth other fervants, faying, Tellthem that are bidden, Behold I have prepared my dinner; my oxen, and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready, come unto the marriage. But. they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandife: And the remnant took his fervants, and entreated them fpitefully, and slew them. But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth; and he

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#### AG (226) 55 he fent forth his armies, and deftroyed those murderers, and burnt up their city. Then faith he to his fervants, The wedding is ready, but they who were bidden, were not worthy. Goyetherefore in to the high - ways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage. So those fervants went out into the high-ways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good; and the wedding was furnished with guests. And when the king came in to fee the guefts, he faw there a man, who had not on a wedding - garment. And he faith unto him, Friend. how camest thou in hither, not having a wedding-garment ? And he was fpeechlefs. Then faid the king to the fervants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and caft him into outer darknefs: There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but few are chosen.

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# THE ONE AND TWENTIETH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. EPHES. VI. 10. Finally, my brethren, be ftrong in the Lord, and the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to fland againft the wiles of the devil. For we wreftle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against fpiritual wickedness in high places. VVherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withftand in the evil day, and having done all, to ftand. Stand therefore having your loyns girt about with truth, and having on the breaft - place of righteousnefs; and your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of peace: above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewich ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of falvation, and the P 2' fword

fword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

THE GOSPEL. S. JOHN. IV. 46. THere was a certain noble man, whofe fon was fick at Capernaum. When he heard, that Jefus was come out of Iudea into Galilee, he went unto him, and befought him, that he would come down and heal his fon; for he was at the point of death. Then faid lefus unto him, Except ye fee figns and wonders, ye will not believe. The noble man faith unto him, Sir, come down ere mychilddy. Jefus faith unto him, Go thy way, thy fon liveth. And the man believed the word that lefus had spoken unto him, and he went his way. And as he was now going down, his tervants met him and told him, faying, Thy fon liveth. Then enguired he of them the hour, when he began to amend: And they faid unto him, Yefterday at the feventh hourthe feaver left him. So the father knew that it was at the fame hour, in the which

## which Jefus faid unto him, Thy fon liveth: and himself believed, and his whole houfe. This is again the fecond miracle that Jefus did when he was come out of Judea into Galilee.

## THE TWO AND TWENTIETH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

#### THE EPISTLE. PHIL. I. 3.

T thank my God upon every remembrance of you (always in every prayer of mine tor you all, making request with joy) for your fellowship in the Gospel from the first day until now; being confident of this very thing, that he who hath begun a good work in you, will perform it until the day of Jefus Chrift; even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart in as much as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the Gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace. For God is my record how greatly I long after you all in the bowels P

bowels of Jefus Chrift. And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge, and in all judgement: that ye may approve things that are excellent, that ye may be fincere and without offence till the day of Chrift; being filled with the fruits of righteousnels, which are by Jefus Chrift, unto the glory and praife of God.

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THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XVIII. 22. Elus faid unto Peter, Therefore is the Jkingdom of heaven likened unto a certain kiug, who would take account of his fervants. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, who ought him ten thousand talents. But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be fold, and his wife, and his children, and all that he had, and payment tobe made. The fervant therefore fell down and worshipped him, faying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. Then the lord of that fervant Was

36 (231) 50 was moved with compaffion, and loofed him, and forgave him the debt. But the fame fervant went out, and found one of his fellow-fervants, who ought him an hundred pence; and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, faying, Pay me that thou oweft. And his fellow - fervant fell down at his feet, and befought him, faying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And he would not; but went and caft him into prifon, till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow-fervants faw what was done, they were very forry, and came, and told, unto their lord all that was done. Then his lord, after that he had called him, faid unto him, Othou wicked fervant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou defiredit me: shouldeft not thoualfo have had compassion on thy fellow-fervant, even as I had pity on thee. And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormenters, till he should pay all that was due unto him. So likewife shall

## shall my heavenly Father do alfo unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trefpaffes.

#### THE THREE AND TWENTIETH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

## THE EPISTLE. PHIL. III. 17.

Rethren, be followers together of me, and mark them who walk fo, as ye have us for an enfample. For many waik, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the crofs of Chrift; whofe end is deftruction, whofe God is their belly, and whofe glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things. For our conversation is in heaven, from whence also we look for the Saviour. the Lord Jefus Chrift; who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working, whereby he is able even to fubdue all things unto himself. ale ale THE

35 (233) 55 THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XXII. IS. T Hen went the Pharifees and took counfel how they might entangle him in histalk And they fent out unto him their disciples, with the Herodians, faying, Mafter, we know that thou art true, and teacheft the way of God in truth, neither careft thou for any man: for thou regardest not the perfon of men. Tell us therefore, VVhat thinkeft thou? Is it lawful togivetribute unto Cefar, or not? But lefus perceived their wicknednefs, and faid, VVhy tempt ye me, ye hypocrites? Shew me the tribute-money. And they brought unto him a peny. And he faith unto them, VVhofe is this image and fuperfcription? They fay untohim, Cefars. Then faith he unto him, Render therefore unto Cefar the things which are Cefars; and unto God the things that are Gods. VVhen they had heard thefe words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way. PS

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# THE FOUR AND TWENTIETH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. COLOSS. 1. 9. C'Or this caufe we alfo, fince the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to defire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding. That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleafing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; frenghtened with all might according to his glorious power untoall patience, and long-fuffering with joyfulnes: giving thanks unto the Father who hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the faints in light. VVho hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son, in whom we have redemption through hisblood, even the forgivenels of fins. tratade ba

THE GOSPEL, S. MATTHE, IX. 18. WHile Jefus fpake these things unto Johns

35 (235) SE Johns disciples, behold, there came a certain ruler and worshipped him, faying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live. And Jefus arofe and followed him, and fo did his difciples. And behold, a woman which was difeafeft with an iffue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment. For she faid within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. But Jefus turned him about, and when he fawher, he faid, Daughter, be of good comfort, thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour. And when Jefus came into the rulers houfe, and faw the ministrels; and the people making a noife, he faid unto them, Give place: for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to fcorn. But when the people were put forth, he went in, and rook her by the hand, and the maid arofe. whit chem in the clouds to

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arole. And the fame hereof went abroad into all that land.

#### THE TWENTY FIFTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

#### THE EPISTLE. 1 THESS. IV. 13.

BVt I would not have you to be igno-rant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye forrow not even as others which have not hope. For if we believe that Jefus died, and rofe again, even fo them alfo which sleep in Jefus, will God bring with him. For this we fay unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive, and remain unto the coming of the Lord, shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the Archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Chrift shall rife firft. Then we which are alive and remain, shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet

meet the Lord in the air; and fo shall we ever be with the Lord. VV herefore, comfort one another with these words. THE GOSPEL S. MATTH. XXIV. 15.

W/Hen ye therefore shall fee the abomination of defolation, fpoken of by Daniel the Prophet, fland in the holy place (whofo readeth, let him underftand) then let them which be in Judea, flee unto the mountains. Let him which is on the house-top, not come down, to take any thing out of his house. Neither let him which is in the field, return back to take his clothes. And wo unto them that are with child. and to them that give fuck in those days! But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the Sabbath-day. For then shall be great tribulation fuch as was not fince the beginning of the world to this time, no nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be faved: but for the elects fake those days shall be shortened. Then if any man shall

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shall lay unto you. Lo, here is Chrift, or there; believe it not: for there shall arife falfe Chrifts, and falfe Prophets, and shall shew great figns and wonders, in fo much that (if it were poffible) they shall deceive the very elects. Behold I have told you before. Wherefore if they shall fay unto you, Behold, he is in the defert, go not forth: behold, he is in the fecret chambers, believe it not. For as the lightning comethout of the east, and shineth even unto the weft: fo shall alfo the coming of the Son of manbe. For wherefoever the carcale is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

#### THE TWENTY SIXTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

THE EPISTLE. 2. THESS. I. 3.

WE are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, becaufe that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of

436 (239) SE of you all towards each other aboundeth: to that we our felves glory in you in the churches of God, for your patienceand faith in all your perfecutions and tribulations that ye endure. VVhich isa manifest token of the righteous judgement of God, that ye may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which ye alfo fuffer. Seing it is a righteous thing with God, to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you: and to you who are troubled, reft with us, when the Lord Jefus, shall be revealed from heaven, with his mighty Angels, in flaming fire, taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the Gospelofour Lord Jesus Chrift. VVho shall be punished with everlafting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power: when he shall come to be glorified in his faints, and to be admited in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day, THE

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THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XXV. 31. WHen the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy Angels with him, then shall he fit upon the throne of his glory. And before him shall be gathered all nations, and he shall feparate them one from an other, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats. And he shall fet the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the king fay unto them on his right hand, Come ye bleffed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I wasthirfly, and ye gave medrink: I wasa franger, and ye took me in: naked, and ye clothed me: I was fick, and ye vifited me: I was in prifon, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, faying, Lord, when faw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirfty, and gave thee drink? VVhen faw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked,

36 (241) 58 naked, and clothed thee? or when faw we thee fick, or in prifon, and came unto thee? And the king shall answerand fay unto them, Verily, I fay unto you, in as much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it untome. Then shall he fay alfo unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye curfed into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels, For I was an hungred, and yegave me no meat: I was thirfty, and ye gave me nodrink: I wasa ftranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: fick and in prifon, and ye vifited me not. Then shall they alfo answer him, faying, Lord, when faw we thee an hungred, or thirft, or a stranger, or naked, or fick, or in prifon, and did nor minister unto thee? Then shall he an-fwer them, faying, Verily I fay unto you, in as much as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me. And these shall go away into everlasting punish-

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punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

#### THE TWENTY SEVENTH SVNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

#### THE EPISTLE. 2. PET. III. 3.

BEloved, ye know this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lufts, and faying, Where is the promife of his coming? For fince the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were ofold, and the earth flanding out of the water, and in the water. Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water perished. But the heavens and the earth which are now, by the fame word are kept in ftore, referved unto fire against the day of judgement, and perdition of ungodly men. THE

THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XXIV. 37. IEfus faid unto his difciples, As the days Jof Noë were, fo shall alfothe coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the floud, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage until the day, that Noë entred into the ark, and knew not untill the floud came, and took them all away fo shall alfo the coming of the Son of man be. Then shall two be in the field, the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two women shall be grinding at the mill, the one shall be taken and the other left. Watch therefore, for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. But know this, that if the good man of the house had known, in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have fuffered his house to be broken up. Therefore be yeall'o ready: for in fuch an hour as you think not, the Son of man cometh. Who then is a faithful and wife fervant, whom 02

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whom his lord hath made ruler over his houshold, to give him meat in due feafon? Bleffed is that fervant, whom his Lord, when he cometh, shall find fo doing! Verily I fay unto you that he shall make him ruler over all his goods. But and if that evil fervant shall fay in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to finite his fellow - fervants, and to eat and drink with the drunken: the lord of that fervant shall come in a day, when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not ware of; and shall cut him afunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of reeth.

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AN OTHER GOSPEL. S.MATTH. XXV.1. JEfus faid, Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bride-groom. And five of them were wife, and five were foolish. They that were foolish, took their lamps; and took no oyl with them:

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them: But the wife took oyl in their veffels with their lamps. VVhile the bride-'groom tarried, they all slumbred and slept. And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold the bride - groom cometh, go ye out to meet him. Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish faid unto the wife, Give us of your oyl, for our lamps are gone out. But the wife anfwered, faying, Not fo; left there be not enough for us and you, but go ye rather to them that fell, and buy for your selves. And while they went to buy, the bride-groom came, and they that were ready, went in with him to the marriage, and the door was shut. Afterward came alfo the other virgins, faying, Lord, Lord, open to us. But he answered and faid, Verily, I fay unto you, I know you not. VVatchtherefore, for ye know neither the day, nor the hour, wherein the Son of man cometh.

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## THE PVRIFICATION OF SAINT MARY, COMMONLY CALLED CANDLEMAS - DAY.

THE EPISTLE. MALACH. III. I. BEhold, I will fend my meffenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye feeck, shall fuddenly come to his temple; even the meffenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in; behold, he shall come, faith the Lord of hofts. But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall ftand when he appeareth? for he is like arefiners fire, and like fullers fope. And he shall fit as a refiner, and purifier of filver: and he shall purify the fons of Levi, and purge them as gold and filver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering inrighteousnels. Then shall the offerings of Juda and Jerufalem be pleafant unto the Lord, as in the days of old, and as in former years.

THE GOSPEL: S. LVKE II. 22. A Nd when the days of her purification, according to the law of Moses, were

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were accomplished, they brought him to Jerufalem, to prefent him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb, shall be called holy to the Lord) and to offer a facrifice, according to that which is faid in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtle-doves, or two young pigeons. And behold, there was a man in Jerufalem, whofe name was Simeon, and the fame man was just and devour, waiting for the confolation of ifrael: and the holy Ghoft was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the holy Ghoft, that he should not fee death, before he had feen the Lords Chrift. And hecameby the pirit into the temple; and the parents brought in the child Jefus, to do for him after the cuftom of the Law, then took he him up in his arms, and bleffed God, and faid, Lord, now letteft thou thy fervant depart in peace, accorling to thy word. For mine eyes have feen thy falvation, which thou haft prepared before the face of all people. Q4

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#### THE ANNVNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

#### THE EPISTLE. ISA. VII. 10.

Moreover the Lord spake again unto Ahaz, faying, Ask thee a sign of the Lord thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the Lord. And he said, Hear ye now, ohouse of David, Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign, Rehold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call his name Immantel. Butter and hony shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and chuse the good.

THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE I. 26 Nd in the fixth month the ange Gabriel was fent from God unto a city of
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of Galilee, named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man, whose name was Jofeph, of the house of David: and the virgins name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and faid, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lordis with thee; bleffed art thou among women. And when she faw him, she was troubled at his faying, and caft in her mind, what manner of falutation this should be. And the angel faid untoher, Fearnot, Mary; forthou haft found favour with God. And behold. thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a fon, and shalr call his name Jefus He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Higheft; And the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David. And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there shallbe no end. Then faid Mary unto the Angel, How shall this be, feeing I know nota man? And the angel answered and faid unto her, The holy Ghoft shall come 05 upon

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upon thee, and the power of the Higheft shall overshadow thee:therefore alfo that holy thing which shall be born of thee,shall be called the Son of God. And behold thy coufin Elizabeth, she hath alfo conceived a fon in her old age; and this is the fixth month with her who was called barren. For with God nothing shall be unpoffible. And Mary faid, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

# SAINT JOHN BAPTIST.

# THE EPISTLE. ISA. XL. I.

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, faith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerufalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned; for she hath received of the Lords hand double for all her fins. The voice of him that crieth in the wildernefs, Prepare ye the tHraaqua

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the way of the Lord, make ftraight in the detert a high way for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made ftraight, and the rough places plain. And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall fee it together; for the mouth of the Lord hath fpoken it.

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THE GOSPEL S. LVKE I. 57. Lifabeths full time came, that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a fon. And her neighbours and her coufins heard, how the Lordhad shewed great mercy upon her, and they rejoyced with her. And it came to pafs, that on the eighth day they came to circumcife the child, and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father. And his mother answered and faid, Not fo; but he shall be called John. And they faid unto her, There is none of thy kindred, that is called by this name. And they made figns to his father, how he would have him called.

35 1( 352) 58 ed. And he asked for a writing table, and wrote, faying, His name is John. And they marvelled all. And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue loofed, and he spake, and praised God. And fear came on all, that dwelt round about them; and all thefe fayings were noifed abroad throughout all the hillcountrey of Judea. And all they that had heard them, laid them up in their hearts, faying, What manner of child shall this be? and the hand of the Lord was with him. And his father Zacharias was filled with the holy Ghoft, and prophefied, faying, Bleffed be the Lord God of Ifraël, for he hath vifited and redeemed his people, and hath raifed up an horn of falvation for us in the house of his fervant David; as he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been fince the world began; that we should be faved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy

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36 (253) 55 holy covenant; the oath which he fwore toour father Abraham, that he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies, might ferve him without fear, in holinefs and righteousnefs before him all the days of our life. And thou child, shalt be called the prophet of the Higheft; for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord, to prepare his ways; to give knowledge of falvation unto his people by the remiffion of their fins, through the tender mercy of our God, whereby she Day-fpring from on high hath vifited us; to give light to them, that fit in darkness, and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feer into the way of peace. And the child grew, and waxed strong in Spirit; and was in the deferts till the day of his shewing unto Ifraël.

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THE VISITATION OF S. MARY. The Epistle, Isa. XI. L And

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A Nd there shall come forth a rod out of the ftem of Jeffe, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. And the Spirit of the Lord shall reft upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counfel and might, the Spirir of knowledge, and of the fear of the Lord; and shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord, and he shall not judge after the fight of his eyes; neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: but with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity, for the meek of the earth, and he shall finite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked. And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loyns, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

### THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE I. 39.

A Nd Mary arole in thole days, and went into the hill-countrey with halt into a ciry of Juda. And entred into the house of Zacharias, and faluted Elifat

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36 (255) 55 Elifabeth. And it came to pass, that when Elifabeth heard the falutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb: and Elifabeth was filled with the holy Ghoft. And she spake out with a loud voice, and faid, Bleffed art thou among women, and bleffed is the fruit of thy womb. And whence is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For lo, alloon as the voice of thy falvation founded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. And bleffed is she that believed, for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord. And Mary faid, My foul doeth magnify the Lord, and my Spirit hath rejoyced in God my Saviour: for he hath regarded the low effate of his hand - maiden: for behold, from whenceforth all generations shall call me bleffed. For he that is mighty hath done to me great things, and holy is his name. And his mercy ison them that fear him from generation to generation.

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ration. He hath shewed firength with his arm; he hath fcattered the proud, in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their fears, and exalted them of low degree. He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath fent emptyaway. He hath holpen his fervant Ifraël, in remembrance of his mercy; as he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever. And Mary abode with her about three months, and returned to her own house.

### SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

#### THE EPISTLE. REVEL. XII. 7.

There was war in heaven: Michaël and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon fought and his angels; and prevailed not, neither was there place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old F

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### 25 (257) 50 old ferpent, called the diviland Satan, which deceiveth the whole world; he was caft out into the earth, and his angels were caft out with him. And I heard a loud voice, faying in heaven, Now is come falvation, and ftrength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Chrift: for the accufer of our brethren is caft down, which accufeth them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their teftimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoyce, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them.

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THE GOSPEL. S. MATTH. XVIII. I. AT the fame time came the difciples unto Jefus, faying, Who is the greateft in the kingdom of heaven? And Jefus called a little child unto him, and fet him in the midft of them, and faid, Verily I fay unto you, except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whofoever therefore shall R humhumble himself as this little child, the fame is greateft in the kingdom of heaven. And whofo shall receive one fuch little child in my name, receiveth me. But whole shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, were better for him that a milftone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the fea. Wo unto the world because of offences: for it must needs be, that offences come; but wo to that man, by whom the offence cometh! Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and caft them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet, to be caft into everlafting fire. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and caft it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be caft into hell-fire. Take heed that ye despise not one of thefe little ones: for I fay unto you, that in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

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ven. For the Son of man is come to fave that which was loft.

### FEAST OF DEDICATION.

THE EPISTLE. REVEL. XXI. 2. Nd I John faw the holy City, new Jerufalem coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven, faying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is within men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himfelf shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from. their eyes: and there shall be no more death, neither forrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain : for the former things are passed away. And he that fare upon the Throne, faid, Behold, 1 make all things new. And he faid unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

THE GOSPEL. S. LVKE XIX. I. A Nd Jefus entred and paffed through Jericho. And behold, there was a R 2 man

man named Zacheus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich. And he fought to fee Jefus, who he was, and could not for the prease, becaufe he was little of stature. And heran before, and climbed up into a fycomoretree to fee him: for he was to pais that way. And when Jefus came to the place, he looked up and faw him, and faid unto him, Zacheus, make hafte, and come down: for to day I must abide at thy house. And he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they faw it, they all murmured faying, That he was gone to be gueft with a man that is a finner. And Zacheus ftood, and faid unto the Lord, Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor, and if I have taken any thing from any man by falle acculation, I reftore him fourfold. And Jefus faid unto him, Thisday is falvation come to this house, for so much ashe also is the fon of Abraham. For the fon of man is come to feek and to fave that which was loft.

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## AN ADDITION OF SOME SELECT PRAYERS, TAKEN OVT OF THE WHOLE DVTT OF MAN, AND THE PRACTICE OF PIETT.

A DAILY MORNING-PRAYER. O merciful Father, for Jefus Chrift his fake, I befeech thee, forgive me all my known and fecret fins, which in thought, word, or deed, I have committed against thy Divine Majesty. And deliver me from all those judgements, which are due unto meforthem; and fanctifie my heart with thy Holy Spirit, that I may henceforth lead a more godly and religious life. And here, o Lord, I praife thy holy Name for that thou haft refreshed me this night with moderate sleep and reft. I befeech thee likewife, defend me this day from all perilsand dangers of body and foul. And to this end I commend myfelf, and all my actions unto thy bleffed protection and government: befeeching thee, that whether I live ordie, I may live and dy to thy glory, and the falvation of my RE poor

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poor foul, which thou haft bought with thy precious blood. Blefs metherefore, o Lord, in my going out, and coming in; and grant that what foever I shall think, speak, or take in hand thisday, may tend to the glory of thy Name, the good of others, and the comfort of mine own confcience, when I shall come to make before thee my last accounts. Grant this, o heavenly Father, for Jefus Chrift thy Sons fake: in whofebleffed Name I give thee thy glory, and beg at thy hands all other graces, which thou feeft to be needful for me this day and ever, in that prayer, which Chrifthimfelf hath taught me, faying,

Our Father, which art in Hedden; Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy Will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive as our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen. A. DAP-

第5 (263) 5世 A DAILY EVENING - PRAYER. Clif I were not taught and affured by the promifes of thy Gofpel, and the examples of Peter, Mary Magdalene, the Publican, the prodigal child, and many other penitent finners, that thou art fo full of compassion, and fo ready to forgive the greatest finners, who are heaviest laden with fin, at what time foever they return unto thee with penitent hearts, lamenting their fins, and imploring thy grace: I should defpair for my own fins, and be utterly difcouraged from prefuming to come into thy prefence; confidering the hardness of my heart, the unruline's of my converfation; by means whereof I have transgreffed all thy laws, and deferved thy curfe, which might caufe my body to be fmitten with fome fearfull difeafe, my foul to languish with the death of fin, my good name to be traduced with fcandalous reproaches, and make mine eftate liable to all manner of croffes and cafualties. And I confeis, o Lord, that thy R 4

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thy mercy is the caufe that I have not been long agoe confounded. But, o my God, as thy, mercy onely flaid thy judgement from falling upon me hitherto; fo I humbly befeech thee, in the bowels of the mercy of Jefus Chrift, in whom onely thou art well pleafed, that thou wilt not deal with meaccording to my deferts, but that thou would ff freely and fully remit unto meall my fins and transgreffions; and that thou wouldft wash them clean from me with the virtue of that most precious blood, which thy Son Jefus Chrift hath shed for me. For he alone is the Phyfician, and his blood onely is the medicine that can heal my ficknefs. And he is the true brafen ferpent, that can cure that poifon, wherewith) the fiery ferpents of my fins have ftung and poyfoned my fick. and wounded foul. And give me, I befeech thee, thine holy Spirit, which may affure me of mine adoption, and that may confirm my faith, increase my repentance, enlighten my understanding, purifie my heart, rectify my will and

36 (265) 500 and affections, and fo fanctifie me throughout, that my whole body, foul and fpirit may be kept unblamable untill the glorious coming of my Lord Jefus Chrift. And now, o Lord, Igive thee hearty thanks, and praife, for that thou hast this day preferved me from all harms and perils, nothwithstanding all my fins and ill deferts. And I befeech thee likewife, defend me this night from the roaring lion, which night and day feeketh to devour me. Watch thou, o Lord, over me this night, to keep me from histemptations and tyranny: and let thy mercy shield me from his unappeafable rage and malice. And to this end I commend my felf into thy hands and protection : befeeching thee, o my Lord and God, not to fuffer Satan, nor any of his evil members, to have power to do unto meany hurt or violence this night. And grant, good Lord, that whether I sleep or wake, live or die, I may sleep, wake, live and die unto thee, and to the glory of thy Name, and the falvation of my foul. Lord, blefs and R 5 defend

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defend all thy chosen people every where. Grant our King and Prince Ele-Aor a long and happy reign over us! Blefs our gracious Qveen, Her Highnefs the Kings Mother, the Royal Prince, and all the Family of Saxon - Princes, together with all our Magistrates and Ministers, especially this good Univerfity, as the Seat of true Religion, and the Nurfery of all forts of Arts and Sciences. Bethou, o Lord, a comfort and confolation to all thy people, whom thou haft thought meet to visit with any kind of fickness, need, or milery. Finally, good Father, give megrace to be one of those wife Virgins, which may have my heart prepared, like a lamp furnished with the oyl of faith, and the light of good works, to meet the Lord Jefus, the fweet Bride-groom of my foul, at his fecond and fudden coming in glory. Grant this, o God, for Chrift Jefus fake, my onely Saviour and Mediatour, in whofe bleffed Name, and in whole own words I call upon thee, as he hath taught me:

Our Father which art in Heaven &c. A Mor-

# A MORNING-PRAYER FOR THE SABBATH-DAY.

O Lord most high, o Godeternal, all whose works are glorious, and whofe thoughts are very deep: there can be no better thing, than to praile thy Name, and to declare thy loving kindnefs in the morning on thy holy and bleffed Sabbath-day. For it is thy will and commandment, that we should fanctify this day in thy fervice and praife; and in the thankful remembrance, as of the world by the power of thy Word, fo of the redemption of mankind by the death of thy Son. Thine, o Lord, I confels, isgreatnels, and power, and glory, and victory, and praife: for all that is in heaven and earth, is thine. Thine is the kingdom, o Lord, and thou excelleft as head over all. Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou reighnest overall, and in thine hand is power and ftrength, and in thine hand is it to make great, and to give grace unto all. Now therefore, o my Lord, I praife thy glorious Name, that whereas

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I a wretched finner, have fo many ways provoked thy Majefty to anger and difpleafure, thou nothwithstanding of thy favour and goodness (paffing by my prophaneness and infirmities) hast vouchfafed to add this Sabbath again unto the number of my days. And vouchfafe, o heavenly Father, for the merits of Jefus Chrift thy Son, to pardon and forgive me all my fins and misdeeds. Especially, o Lord, cleanse my toul from those filthy fins, that are habitual and customary to me, purge me of them with the blood of thy molt pure and undefiled Lamb, which taketh away the finsofthe world. And let thy Holy Spirit more and more fubdue my corruptions, that I may be renewed after thine own Image,' to ferve thee in newness of life, and holiness of conver-And as of thy mercy thou haft fation. brought me to the beginning of this bleffed day: fo I befeech thee, make it a day of reconciliation betwext my finful foul and thy Divine Majefty. Give me grace to make it a day of repentance unto

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35 (269) 50 unto thee, that thy goodness may feal it to be a day of pardon unto me; and that I may remember, that the keeping holy of this day is a commandment which thine own finger hath written; that on this day I might meditate on the glorious works of our creation and redemption, and learn how to know and to keep all the reft of thy holy laws and commandments. And when anon, I shall with the reft of the holy affembly appear before thy prefence in thy house, to offer unto thee our morning-facuifice of praife and prayer, and to hear what thy Spirit, by the preaching of thy word, shall speak untothy fervant; o let not my fins fland as a cloud to ftop my prayers from afcending unto thee, or to keep back thy grace from descending by the word into my heart. I know, o Lord, and tremble tothink, that three parts of the good feed falls upon bad ground. O let not my heart be like the high-way, which through hardness, and want of true

true understanding receiveth not the feed, till the evil one cometh, and catcheth it away; nor like to the ftony ground, which heareth with joy for a time, but falleth away affoon as perfecution arifeth for the Gofpels fake; nor like the thorny ground, which by the cares of this world, and the deceitfulnefs of riches choketh the word which it heareth, and maketh it altogether unfruitful: but that like unto the good ground, I may hear thy word with an honeft and good heart, understandit, and keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience, in that measure, that thy wisdom shall think meet for thy glory, and mine everlasting comfort. Open likewife, I befeech thee, o Lord, the door of utterance unto thy faithful fervant, whom thou hast fent unto us, to open our eyes, that we may turn from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God: that we may receive forgivenefs of fins, and inheritance among

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35 (271) 55 among them which are fanclified by faith in Chrift. And give megraceto fubmit myfelf unto his ministery, as well when he terrifieth me with judgements, as when he comforteth me with thy mercies; and that I may have him in fingular love for his works fake: because he watcheth for my foul, as he that must give an account for the fame unto his Master. And give me grace to behave myself in the holy congregation with comeliness and reverence, as in thy prefence, and in the fight of thy holy Angels. Keep me from drowfiness and sleeping, and from all wandering thoughts, and wordly imaginations. Sanctify my memory, that it may be apt to receive, and firm to remember those good and profitable doctrines, which shall be taught unto us out of thy word. And that through the affiftance of thy Holy Spirit, I may put the fame lessons in practife for my direction in profperity, for my confolation in mifery, for the amend-

36 (272) 50 amendment of my life, and the glory of thy Name. And that this day, which godlefs and prophane perfons spend in their own lufts and pleafures, I as one of thy obedient fervants, may make my chief delight to confecrate it to thy glory and honour, not doing my own ways, nor feeking mine own will, nor speaking a vain word; but that ceafing from the works of fin, as well as from the works of mine ordinary calling, I may through thy bleffing feel in my heart the beginning of that eternal Sabbath, which in unspeakable joy and glory I shall celebrate with thy faints and angels, to thy praife and worship, in thy heavenly kingdom for ever more. All which I humbly crave at thy hands in the name and mediation of my Lord Jefus Chrift in that form of prayer which he himself hath

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# AN EVENING-PRAYER FOR THE LORDS DAY.

O holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Saboath, fuffer me, who am but duft and ashes, to fpeak unto thy most glorious Majefty. I know that thouart a confuming fire, I acknowledge, that I am but withered stubble. My finsare in thy fight, and Satan flands at my right hand to accuse me for them: I come not to excuse, but to judge myself worthy of all those judgements, which thy justice might most justly inflict upon me, a wretched creature for my fins and transgreffions. The number of them is fogreat, the nature of them is fo grievous, that they make me feem vile in mine own eyes, how much more loathfome in thy fight? I confefs, they make me fo far from being worthy to be called thy fon, that I am altogether unworthy to have the name of thy meanest fervant. And if thou should ft but recompence me according to my defert, the earth (as weary of fuch a finful burden) should open her mouth. and

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and fwallowme up, like one of Dathans. family, into the bottomlefs pit of hell. For if thou didft not spare the natural branches, those angels of glorious excellency, but huedft them down from : the heavenly habitations, into the pains of hellish darknefs, to be kept unto, damnation; when they finned but once againft thy Majefty; and didft expelour first Parents out of Paradife, when they did but transgress one of thy laws: alas, what vengeance may I expect, who have not offended in one fin onely, heaping daily fin upon fin, without any true repentance, drinking iniquity as it were water, ever powring in, but never powring out any filthinefs, and have transgreffed not one but all thy holy laws and commandments. Yea this prefent day which thou haft ftraightly commanded me to keep holy to thy praife and worship, I have not fo religiously kept and observed, not prepared my foul in that holinefs and chaftity of heart, as was fir to meet thy bleffed Majefty in the holy affembly of thy faints.

35 (275) 58 faints. I have not attended to the preaching of thy Word, nor to the administration of thy Sacraments with that humility, reverence and devotion, that I should. For though I was prefent at those holy exercises in my body; yet, Lord, I was overtaken with much drowfinefs: and when I was awake. my mind was fo diffracted and carried away with vain and wordly thoughts, that my foul feemed to be abfent, and out of the church. I have not foduely (as I should) meditated with myfelf, nor conferred with my family, upon those good instructions which we have heard and received out of thy holy Word, by the publick Ministery. For default whereof Satan hath Itoln the most part of those instructions out of my heart, and I wretched creature have forgotten them, as though they had never been heard. Though I know, where many of my poor brethren live in want and neceffity, and fome in pain, and comfortlefs: yet I have no remembred to relieve the one with my alms, S 2 nor

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nor the other with confolations: but I have feasted my felf, and fatisfied mine own hifts. I have fpent the most part of the day in idletalk, vain sports and exercifes. And for all thefe my fins my confcience crieth guilty, thy law condemns me; and I am in thy hand to receive the fentence and curfetharis due to the wilful breach of fo holy a commandment. But what if I am by thy law condemned? yet, Lord, thy Gofpel affureth me that thy mercie is above all thy works: that thy grace transcends thy law; and thy goodness delighteth there to reign, where fins do most abound. In the multitude therefore of the mercies and merits of lefus Chrift my faviour, I befeech thee, o Lord (who despifest not the fighing of a contrite heart, nor defireft the death of a penitent finner) to pardon, and forgive me all those my fins; and all theerrours of thisday, and of my whole life; and free my foul from that curfe and judgement which is due unto me for them. Thou that didft juftifie the contrite

35 (277) 50 trite Publican for four words of confeffion, and receivedft the prodigal child (when he had spent all the ftock of thy grace) into favour upon his repentance: pardon my finslikewife, o Lord, and fuffer me not to perish for my transgreffions. Oh fpare me, and receive me into thy favour again! Wilt thou, o Lord, reject me, who hast receivedall publicans, harlots, and finners, that upon repentance sued to thee for grace? shall I alone be excluded from thy mercy. Far be it from me to think fo: for thou art the fame God of mercy unto me that thou wast unto them, and thy compaffions never fail. Wherefore, o Lord, deal not with me after my merits, but according to thy great mercy. Execute not thy fevere juffice against me a finner: but exercife thy long-fufferance in forbearing thine own creature. I have nothing to prefent unto thee for a fatisfaction, but onelythofe bloody wounds, bitter death and paffion, which thy bleffed Son, my onely Saviour, hath fuffered for me. Him S 3

### Him in whom onely thou art well pleafed, I offer unto thee for all my fins, wherewith thou art displeased. He, my Mediatour, the request of whose blood fpeaking better things than that of Abel, thy mercy can never gainfay. Illuminate my understanding, and fanctifie my heart with thy holy Spirit that it may bring to my remembrance all those good and profitable leffons, which this day and at other times have been taught me out of thy holy Word; that I may remember thy commandments to keep them, thy judgements to avoid them, and thy fweet promifes to rely upon them in time of mifery and diffress. And now, o Lord, I refign myfelf to thy moft holy will. O receive me into thy favour, and fo draw me by thy grace unto thy felf, that I may as well be thine by love and imitation, as by calling and creation. And give me grace fo to keep holy thy Sabbaths in this life, as that, when this life is ended, I may with all thy faints and angels celebrate an eternal Sabbath of joyes and prai-

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praife, to the honour of thy moltglorious Name in thy heavenly kingdom for evermore. All this I humbly beg and crave at thy hands, o Father, concluding this imperfect prayer in that abfolute form of prayer, which thy onely beloved Son, our bleffed Saviour, hath taught us, faying:

- Our Father which art in Heaven & c.

A PRAYER FOR GRACE. O moft gracious God, from whom every good and perfect gift cometh, - I wretched creature that am not able of my telf to much as to think a good thought, befeech thee to work in me both to will and do according to thy -good pleasure. Inlighten my mind that I may know thee, and let me not be barren or unfruitful in that knowledge; Lord work in my heart atrue Faith, a purifying Hope, and an unfeign--ed Love towards thee; give me a full Truft on thee, Zeal for thee, Reverence of all things that relate to thee; make ne Fearful to offend thee, Thankful fo: thy mercies, Humble under thy S4 cor-

35 (280) 58 corrections, Devout in thy fervice, Sorrowful for my fins; and grant that in all chings I may behave myfelf fo, asbefits a creature to his Creator, a fervant to his Lord; enable me likewife to perform that Duty I owe to myfelf; give me that Meekness, Humility, and Contentedness, whereby 1 may always poffers my foul in patience and thankfulnes; make mediligent in all my duties, watchful against all temptations, perfectly pure and temperate, and fo moderate in my most lawful enjoyments, that they never become a snare to me; make mealfo, o Lord, to be fo affected towards my neighbour, that I never transgress that Royal law of thine, of loving him as myfelf; grant me exactly to perform all parts of justice, yielding to all whatfoever by any kind of right becometh their due, and give me fuch bowels of mercy and compasfion, that I may never fail to do allaes of charity to all men, whether friends or enemies, according to thy command and example. Finally, I befeechtlee,

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o Lord, to fanctifie me throughout, that my whole ipirit, and foul, and body may be preferved blamelefs unto the coming of our Lord Jefus Chrift, to whom with thee and the holy Ghoft be all honour and glory for ever. Amen!

A PRAYER FOR A SICK PERSON. O merciful and righteous Lord, the God of health and of ficknefs, of life and of death, I moft unfeignedly acknowledge, that my great abuse of thofe many days of ftrenghth and welfare, which thou haft afforded me, hath most justly deferved thy prefent visitation. I defire, o Lord, humbly to accept of this punishment of mine iniquity, and to bear the indignation of the Lord, becaufe I have finned againft him. And, o thou merciful Father, who defignest not the ruine, but the amendment of those, whom thou fcourgeft, I befeech thee by they grace fo to fanchify this correction of thine to me, that this fickness of mybody may beameans of health to my foul; make me diligent to fearch my heart, and do thou \$ 5

#### 36 (282) 55 thou, o Lord, enable me to difcover every accurfed thing, how clofely foever concealed there, that by the removal thereof I may make way for the removal of this punishment. Healmy foul, o Lord, which hath finned against thee; and then if it be thy bleffed will, heal my body alfo: reftore the voice of joy and health unromy dwelling, that I may live to praife thee, and to bring forth fruits of repentance. But if in thy wisdom thou haft otherwife difpofed, if thou haft determined that this fickness shall be unto death, I befeech thee to fit and prepare me for it: give me that fincere and earneft repentance, to which thou haft promifed mercy and pardon; wean my heart from the world, and all its fading vanities, and make me to gasp, and pant after those more excellent and durable joys, which are at thy right hand for ever. Lord, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon me, and in all the pains of my body, in all the agonies of my fpirit, let thy comforts refresh my foul, and enable me, .uonh pa-

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patiently to wait, till my change come. And grant, o Lord, that when my earthly house of this tabernacle is disfolved, I may have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens; and that for his fake, who by his precious bloud hath purchased it for me, even Jefus Christ. Amen.

A THANKSGIVING FOR RECOVERY. gracious Lord, the Godof the fpirits of all flesh, in whofe hand my timeis, I praife and magnify thee, that thou haft in love to my foul delivered it from the pit of corruption, and reftored me to health again; it is thou alone, o Lord, thou halt preferved my life from destruction thou hast chastened and corrected me, but thou haft not given me over unto death. O let this life which thou haft thus graciously spared, be wholly confecrated to theel Behold, oLord, I am by thy mercy made whole, o make me friely careful rofin no more, left a worfe thing come unto me. Lord, let not this reprieve thou haft no given me, make me fecure, as thinking that

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that my Lord delayeth his coming, but grant me, I befeech thee, to make a right use of this long - fuffering of thine, and fo to employ every minute of that time thou shalt allow me, that when thou shalt appear, I may have confidence, and not be ashamed before theeatthy coming. Lord, I have found by this approach rowards death, how dreadful a thing it is to be taken unprepared;Olet it be a perpetual admonition to me to watch for my Mafters coming. And when the pleafures of fin shall prefent themselves to entice me, o make me to remember, how bitter they will be at the laft. O Lord, hear me, and as thou haft in much mercy afforded metime, fogrant mealfograce to work, out my own falvation, to provide oylin my lamp, that when the Bride - groom cometh', I may go in with him to the marriage. Grant this, I befeech thee, for thy dear Sons fake, Amen.

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A PRAYER FOR DILIGENCE AND IMPROVEMENT IN STUDIES, OR LEARNING.

O Lord, who haft in thy wisdom or-dained that man should be born to labour, fuffer me not to refift that defign of thine, by giving my felf up to sloth and idleness; but grant, I may so imploy my time, and all other talents thou haft intrusted me with, that I may not fall under the fentence of the slothful and wicked fervant. Especially I befeech thee, o Lord, that thou would ft vouchfafe me thy holy Spirit, the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge, that I may fuccess fully travel in my studies, and improve in my learning, not to fatisfy my greedy affections, or defire to get vain honour, earthly riches, or wordly pleasures, but to follow thine holy ordinances, to advance the good of Church, School, or State, and to glorify thy holy Name. So, my Father, if it bethy will, make me fome way ufeful to others, that I may not live an unpro-

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profitable part of mankind; but however, o Lord, let me not be uselesto my felf, but grant I may give all diligence to make my calling and election fure. My foul is befet with many and vigilant adversaries; (as chiefly are the finful lufts of youth) o let me not fold my hands to sleep in the midft of fo great dangers, but watch and pray, that I enter not into temptation; enduring hardnefs as a good fouldier of Jefus Chrift, till at the laft from this flate of warfare thou translate me to the state of triumph and blifs in thy kingdom, through Jefus Chrift. Amen!

#### PRAYERS TO BE SAID BEFORE AND AFTER THE SACRA-MENT.

#### A CONFESSION OF SINS.

O Lord, I am ashamed, and blush to lift up my face to thee, for my iniquities are increased over my head, h

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36 (288) 50 my great fins: they have fome times been feigued and hypocritical, always fo slight and ineffectual, that they have brought forth no fruit in the amendment of life; but I have still returned with the dog to the vomit, and the fow to the mire again, and have added the breach of refolutions and vows to all my former guilts. Thus, o Lord, I am become out of measure finful, and fince I have thus chosen death, I am most worthy to take part in it, even in the fecond death, the lake of fire and brimftone. This, this, o Lord, is in juffice to be the portion of my cup; to me belongs nothing but shame and confusion of face erernally; but to thee, o Lord God, belongeth mercy and forgivenefs, though I have rebelled againft thee : o remember not my fins, and oftences, but according to thy mercy. think thou upon me, o Lord, for thy goodnefs. Thou fenteft thy Son to feek and to fave that which was loft; behold, o Lord, I have gone aftray like a sheep that is loft; o feek thy fervant, and bring

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35 (289) 58 bring me back to the Shepherd and Bishop of my foul. Let thy Spirit work in me a hearty fense and deteftation of all my abominations, that true contrition of heart, which thou haft promiled notto despile. And then be thou pleafed to look on me, to take away all iniquity, and receive megraciously; and for his fake who hath done nothing amifs, be reconciled to me who have done nothing well; wash away the guilt of my finsin his blood, and fubdue the power of them by his grace: and grant, oLord, that I may from this hour bid a final adjeu to all ungodliness and wordly luft, that I may never once more caft a look toward Sodom, or long after the flesh - pots of Egypt; but confecrate my felf entirely to thee, to ferve thee in righteousness and true holiness, reckoning myfelf to be dead indeed unto fin, but alive unto God, through Jefus Chrift, our Lord and bleffed Saviour-Amen!

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A PRAYER BEFORE THE SACRAMENT. O most merciful God, who hast in thy great goodness prepared this spiri-T tual

rual feaft for fick and famished fouls, make my defires and gasping after it anfwerable to my needs of it. I have, with the prodigal, walted that portion of grace thou beftowedft upon me; and therefore do infinitely want a fupply out of this treasury : But, o Lord, how shall fuch a wretch as I dare to approach thisholy Table? I am a dog, how shall I prefume to take the childrens bread? or how shall this spiritual Manna, this food of Angels, be given to one who hath chosen to feed on husks with fwine? nay to one who hath already fooften trampled these precious things under foot, either carelesly neglecting, or unworthily receiving these holy mysteries? OLord, my horrible guiltness maketh me tremble to come, and yet makes me not dare to keep away; for where, o Lord, shall my polluted foul be washed, if not in this fountain, which thou haft opened for fin and for uncleanness? Hither therefore I come, and thou haft promifed, that him that cometh to thee, thou wilt in no wife caft out: This is, o Lord, the blood of the New

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35 (291) 58 New Testament; grant me fo to receive it, that it may be to me for remiffion of fins; and though I have fo often and fo wretchedly broken my part of that covenant, whereof this Sacrament is a feal, yet be thou graciously pleafed to make good thine, to be merciful to my unrighteousness, and to remember my fins and my liniquities no more: and not only fo, but to put thy laws into my heart, and to write them in my mind, and by the power of thy grace difpofe my foul to fuch a fincere and conftant obedience, that I may never again provoke thee. Lord, grant, that in these holy mysteries I may not only commemorate, but effectually receive my blefs. ed Saviour and all the benefits of his Paffion, and to that endgive mefuch a preparation of foul as may qualify me for it; give me a deep fenfe of my fins and unworthinefs, that being weary and heavy laden, I may be capable of his refreshings, and by being fuppled in my own tears, I may be the fitter to be washed in his blood; raile up my dull and earthly mind from groveling here below Tz

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36 (292) 50 below, and infpire it with a zeal, that I may with spiritual affection approach this fpiritual feaft; and let, o Lord, that infinite love of Chrift in dying for fo wretched a finner, inflame my frozen benumed foul, and kindle in me that facred fire of love to him, and that fo vehement, that no waters may quench, no flouds drown it, fuch as may burn up all my drofs, not leave one unmortified luft in my foul: and fuch as may alfo extend it felf to all whom thou haft given me command and example to love, even enemies, as well as friends. Finally, o Lord, I befeech thee to cloath me in the wedding-garment, and make me, though of my felf a most unworthy, yet by thy mercy an acceptable gueft at this holy Table; that I may not eat nor drink my own condemnation, but may have my pardon fealed, my weaknefs repraifed, my corruptions fubdued, and my foul to infeparably united to thee, that no temptations may ever be able to diffolve the union, but that being begun here in grace, it may be confummated in glory. Grant this, o Lord, for thy dear Sons fake, Jefus Chrift. Amen!

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36 (293) 55 A THANKSGIVING AFTER THE SACRAMENT. thou fountain of all goodnefs, from whom every good and perfect gift cometh, and to whom all honour and glory should be returned, I defire with all the most fervent and inflamed affections of a grateful heart, to blefs and praife thee for those ineftimable mercies thou hast vouchfafed me. Lord, what is man that thou should eft foregard him, as to fend thy beloved fon rofuffer fuch bitter things for him? But, Lord, what am I, the worft of men, that I should have any part in this atonement, who have fo often despised him and his fufferings?Othe height and depth of this mercy of thine, that art pleafed to admit me to the renewing of that covenant with thee, which I have fo often and fo perversly broken! that I who am not worthy of that daily bread, which fuftains the body, should be made partaker of this bread of life, which nourisheth the foul, and that the God of all purity should vouchfafe to unite himself to fo polluted a wretch! O my God, fuffer menomore, I befeech thee T 2 to

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to turn thy grace into wantonnefs, to make thy mercy an occafion of fecurity; but let this unspeakable love of thine conftrain me to obedience, that fince my bleffed Lord hath dyed for me, I may no longer live unto myfelf, but to him. O Lord, I know, there is no concord between Chrift and Belial; therefore fince he hath now been pleafed to enter my heart, o let me never permit any luft to chafe him thence, but let him that hath fo dearly bought me, ftill keep poffeffion of me, and let nothing ever rake me out of hishand. To this end be thou graciously pleafed to watch over me, and defend me from all affaults of my spiritual enemies; but especially deliver me from my felf, from the treachery of my own heart, which is too willing to yield it felf a prey. And where thou feelt I am either by nature or cuftom moft weak, there do thou, I beleech thee, magnify the power in my prefervation. And, Lord, let my Saviours fufferings for my fins, and the vows I have now made against them, never depart from my mind; but let the re-

36 (195) 56 remembrance of the one enable meto perform the other, that I may never make truce with those lufts, which nailed his hands, pierced his fide, and made his foul heavy to the death: but that having now anew lifted myfelf under his banner, I may fight manfully, and follow the Captain of my falvation, even through a fea of bloud. Lord, life up my hands that hang down, and my feeble knees, that I faint not in this warfare. O be thou my ftrenth, who am not able of my felf to ftruggle with the slighteft temptations! How often have I turned my back (o shame!) in the day of battel? How many of thefe facramental wows have I violated? And, Lord, I have still the fame unconftant deceitful heart to betray me to the breach of this. O thou who art Yea and Amen, in whom there is no shadow of change, communicate to me, I befeech thee, fuch a ftability of mind, that I may no more thus flart afide like a broken bow; but that having my heart whole with thee, I may continue ftedtaft in thy covenant, that not one good T 4 pur-

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purpofe which thy Spirit hath raifed in me this day, may vanish, as fo many have formerly done; but that they may bring forth fruit unto life eternal. Grant this, o merciful Father, through the merits and mediation of my crucified Saviour. Amen!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Song and to the holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: World Without end. Amen!











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THERE ARE ANNEXED SOME SELECT PRAYERS, TAKEN OVT OF THE WHO-LE DVTY OF MAN, AND THE PRACTICE OF PIETY

Rom. I. 16. 19. am not ashamed of the Gospel of CHRIST; for it is the power of GOD unto falvation to every one, that believeth, to the Jow first, and also to the Greek.

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