

Psalme 138.

Toward thy holy temple I
will looke and worship thee:
And praised vwith my thankfull mouth
thy holy name shall be.
2 Euen for thy louing kindnesse sake,
and for thy truth vwithall:
For thou thy name hast by thy vvord
advanced ouer all.
3 VVhen I did call thou heardest me,

and thou hast made also
The pouer of increased strength
vwithin my soule to grow.
4 Yea, all the kings on earth they shall
giue praise to thee O Lord:
For they of thy most holy mouth
haue heard the mighty vvord.
5 They of the vvaies of God the Lord
in singing shall entreat:

Psalme 139. CANTVS. Richard Allison.

Lord thou hast me tride and knowvne, my sitting thou dost knowv:
And rising eke, my thoughts a far thou vnderstandst also.

Rochester Tune. TENOR or Playnsong.

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1 My pathes, yea, and my lying downe
thou compassett alwaies:
2 And by familiar custome art,
acquainted vwith my vvaies.
3 No vvord is in my tongue (O Lord)
but knowvne it is to thee:
4 Thou me behinde holdst and before,
thou laiest thy hand on me.
5 Too vvonderfull about me reach
(Lord) is thy cunning skill:
It is so hist that I the same
cannot attaine vntill.
6 From sight of thy al-seeing sprite
Lord vvether shall I goe?
7 Or vvether shall I flie avvay
thy presence to scape fro?
8 To heauen if I mount aloft,
loe, thou art present there:
In hell if I lie downe belowe,
euen there thou dost appeare.

9 Yea, let me take the morning vvinges,
and let me goe and hide
Euen there vvhere are the farthest parts,
vvhere flowing sea doth slide.
10 Yea, euen thether also shall
thy reaching hand me guide:
And thy right hand shall hold me fast,
and make me to abide.
11 Yea, if I say the darknesse shall
yet shroud me from thy sight:
Loe, euen also the darkest night,
about me shall be light.
12 Yea, darknesse hideth not from thee,
but night doth shine as day:
13 To thee the darknesse and the light
are both alike alway.

The second part.

13 For thou possidet hast my raines,
and thou hast covered me:
VVhen I vwithin my mothers vvombe
enclosed vvas by thee.

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Because the glory of the Lord,
it is exceeding great.

6 The Lord is hie and yet he doth
behold the lovvly sprit:
But he contemning knowves a far
the proud and lofty vvight.
7 Although in midde of trouble I
doe vvalke, yet shall I stand:
Renewed by thee (O my Lord)

thou vvilt stretch out thy hand,
8 Vpon the vvraith of all my foes
and saued shall I be:
By thy right hand the Lord God vvill
performe his vvorke to me.
9 Thy mercy Lord endures for aye,
Lord doe me not forsake:
For sake me not vvwhich am the vvorke,
vvhich thine ovvne hand did make.

Psalme 139. MEDIVS. Richard Allison.

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And rising eke, my thoughts a far thou vnderstandst also.

BASSVS.

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And rising eke, my thoughts a far thou vnderstandst also.

14 Thee vvill I praife, made fearefully,
and vvondrously I am:
Thy vvorkes are marvellous, right vvell
my soule doth knowv the same.
15 My bones they are not hid from thee
although in secret place
I haue bene made, and in the earth
beneath I shaped vvas.
16 VVhen I vvas formlesse then thine eie
savv me, for in thy booke
VVas vvritten all, nought vvas before,
that after fashion tooke.
17 The thoughts therefore of thee O God
hovv deare are they to me:
And of them all, hovv passing great
the endlesse numbers be:
18 If I should count them, loe their sum
moethen the sand I see:
And vvhensoever I avvake
yet am I still vwith thee.

19 The vvicked and the bloody men,
oh, that thou vvouldest slay:
Euen those (O God) to vvhom depart,
depart from me I say.
20 Euen those of thee O Lord my God,
that speake full vvickedly:
Those that are lifted vp in vaine,
being enemies to thee.

21 Hate I not them that hate thee Lord,
and that in earnest vvise:
Contend I not against them all,
against thee that arise:
22 I hate them vvith vnfained hate,
euen as my vviter foes:
Try me (O God) and knowv my heart,
my thoughts proud and disclose.

23 Consider Lord if vvickednesse
in me there any be:
And in thy vvay (O Lord my guide)
for euer lead thou me.

Lord