

thy word : saying, O when wilt thou comfort me ?

3 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke : yet do I not forget thy statutes.

4 How many are the days of thy servant : when wilt thou be avenged of them that persecute me ?

5 The proud have digged pits for me : which are not after thy law.

6 All thy commandments are true : they persecute me falsely ; O be thou my help.

7 They had almost made an end of me upon earth : but I forsook not thy commandments.

8 O quicken me after thy loving-kindness ; and so shall I keep the testimonies of thy mouth.

*In æternum, Domine.*

O Lord, thy word : endureth for ever in heaven.

2 Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another : thou hast laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.

3 They continue this day according to thine ordinance : for all things serve thee.

4 If my delight had not been in thy law : I should have perished in my trouble.

5 I will never forget thy commandments : for with them thou hast quickened me.

6 I am thine ; O save me : for I have sought thy commandments.

7 The ungodly laid wait for me, to destroy me : but I will consider thy testimonies.

8 I see that all things come to an end : but thy commandment is exceeding broad.

*Quomodo dilexi !*

LORD, what love have I unto thy law : all the day long is my study in it !

2 Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies : for they are ever with me.

3 I have more understanding than my teachers : for thy testimonies are my study.

4 I am wiser than the aged : because I keep thy commandments.

5 I have refrained my feet from every evil way : that I may keep thy word.

6 I have not shrunk from thy judgements : for thou teachest me.

7 O how sweet are thy words unto my throat : yea, sweeter than honey unto my mouth !

8 Through thy commandments I get understanding : therefore I hate all evil ways.

MORNING PRAYER.

*Lucerna pedibus meis.*

THY word is a lantern unto my feet : and a light unto my paths.

2 I have sworn, and am stedfastly purposed : to keep thy righteous judgements.

3 I am troubled above measure : quicken me, O Lord, according to thy word.

4 Let the free-will offerings of my mouth please thee, O Lord : and teach me thy judgements.

5 My soul is always in my hand : yet do I not forget thy law.

6 The ungodly have laid a snare for me : but yet I swerved not from thy commandments.

7 Thy testimonies have I claimed as mine heritage for ever : and why ? they are the very joy of my heart.

8 I have applied my heart to fulfil thy statutes always : even unto the end.

*Iniquos odio habui.*

I Hate them that imagine evil things : but thy law do I love.

2 Thou art my defence and shield : and my trust is in thy word.

3 Away from me, ye wicked : I will keep the commandments of my God.

4 O establish me according to thy word that I may live : and let me not be disappointed of my hope.

5 Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe : yea, my delight shall be ever in thy statutes.

6 Thou hast troden down all them that depart from thy statutes : for they imagine but deceit.

7 Thou puttest away all the ungodly of the earth like dross : therefore I love thy testimonies.

8 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee : and I am afraid of thy judgements.

*Feci iudicium.*

I Deal with the thing that is lawful and right : O give me not over unto mine oppressors.

2 Make thou thy servant

to delight in that which is good : that the proud do me no wrong.

3 Mine eyes are wasted away with looking for thy health : and for the word of thy righteousness.

4 O deal with thy servant according unto thy loving mercy : and teach me thy statutes.

5 I am thy servant ; O grant me understanding : that I may know thy testimonies.

6 It is time for thee, Lord, to lay to thine hand : for they have destroyed thy law.

7 For I love thy commandments : above gold and precious stone.

8 Therefore hold I straight all thy commandments : and all false ways I utterly abhor.

*Mirabilia.*

THY testimonies are wonderful : therefore doth my soul keep them.

2 When thy word goeth forth : it giveth light and understanding unto the simple.

3 I opened my mouth, and drew in my breath : for my delight was in thy commandments.

4 O look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me : as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name.

5 Order my steps in thy word : and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.

6 O deliver me from the wrongful dealings of men : and so shall I keep thy commandments.

7 Shew the light of thy coun-