

- 11 Make vows and pay them to our God, ye folk that him bring,
Bring gifts, all ye that dwell abroad,
12 For he doth take both life and might
And full of terror is his sight

- 7 Not being as their fathers, who rebelled in God's fight,
And would not frame their wicked hearts to know their God aright;
8 How went the sons of Ephraim
Shooting their darts in day of war,
9 For why? they did not keep with God
Nor yet would walk or lead their lives
10 But put into oblivion
And all his works magnificent,

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- I With my voice to God did cry,
My voice I lifted up on high,
2 In time of grief I sought to God,
But stretch'd my hand to him abroad;
3 When I to think on God intend,
I spake, but could not make an end,
4 Thou dost my eyes to hold from rest,
With fear I am for fore oppress,
5 The days of old in mind I cast,
The times and ages that are past
6 By night my songs I call to mind,
And with my heart much talk I find,
7 Will God, said I, at once for all
So that henceforth no time he shall
8 What, is his goodness quite decay'd,
Or is his promise now delay'd,
9 And will the Lord our God forget
Or shall his wrath increase so hot,
10 At last, I said, This surely is
But his right hand can help all this

who lent a gracious ear;
and he my suit did hear:
by night no rest I took;
my soul comfort forsook.
my trouble then is more;
my breath was stop't so fore,
that I'm always awake;
my sleep doth me forsake:
and oft do think upon
full many years ago:
once made thy praise to show;
my spirits search to know:
cast off his people thus,
be friendly unto us?
and pass'd clean away?
and doth his truth decay?
his mercies manifold?
his mercies to with-hold?
mine own infirmity;
and change it speedily.

The Second Part.

- 11 I will regard and think upon
And all his wonders past and gone
12 Yea, all his works I will declare,
To tell his facts I will not spare,
13 Thy works, O Lord, are all upright,
What one hath strength to match the might of thee, the Lord our God?
14 Thou art a God that dost for-h show
And so dost make the people know
15 And thy own folk thou dost defend
Those that from Jacob did descend,
16 The waters, Lord, perceived thee,
And they for fear away did flee,
17 The clouds that were both thick and black
The thunder in the air did crack,
18 Thy thunder in the air was heard,
With flashes great made men afraid,
19 Thy ways within the sea do lie,
Yet none can there thy steps espy,
20 Thou led'st thy folk upon the land
By Moses and by Aaron's hand

the working of the Lord,
I gladly will record;
and what he did devise;
and all his counsel wise.
and holy all abroad;
and thy wonders, O Lord, our God?
thy wonders ev'ry hour,
thy virtue and thy pow'r:
with an out-stretched arm,
and Joseph's seed from harm.
the waters saw thee well;
the depths on trembling fell:
did rain full plenteously,
thy shafts abroad did fly;
the lightnings from above
the earth did quake and move:
thy paths in waters deep;
nor know thy paths to keep.
as sheep on ev'ry side,
thou didst them safely guide,

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- A Ttend, my people, to my law,
My mouth shall speak strange parables
2 Which we ourselves have heard and learnt
And which for our instruction
3 Because we should not keep it close
Who should God's mighty pow'r declare,
4 To Jacob he commandment gave
Willing our fathers should the same
5 That they and their posterity
Should have the knowledge of the law,
6 That they might have the better hope
And not forget to keep his laws

and to my words incline;
and sentences divine;
our fathers have us told;
from them that after came,
and wondrous works proclaim.
how Israel should live,
unto their children give;
that were not sprung up then,
and teach it their children:
in God that is above,
and his commands in love:

- 11 What wonders to our fore-fathers
In Egypt's land, within the field
12 He did divide and part the sea,
For them to pass, and on a heap
13 He led them secret in a cloud
And in the night when it was dark
14 He clave the rocks in wilderness,
As plentiful as when the deeps
15 He drew forth rivers out of rocks
In such abundance that no floods
16 Yet, for all this, against the Lord
And did provoke the most Highest
17 And in their hearts they tempted God
Requiring such a kind of meat
18 Yea, they against him spake, and thus
Can God prepare a table in
19 Behold, he smote the stony rock,
But can he now give to his folk
20 When God heard this he waxed wroth
His indignation also did

rebelle in God's fight,
to know their God aright;
and yet receiv'd the foil!
the cov'nant that was made,
according as he said;
his counsel and his will,
which he declared still.
did he himself disclose,
that called is Thaneos!
through which he made a way
the waters made to stay:
by day when it was bright,
with fire he gave them light:
and gave the people drink
do flow up to the brink:
that were both dry and hard,
to them might be compar'd,
their fin they did increase,
to wrath in wilderness:
like people of mistrust,
as served to their lust:
their boldness did expresse,
this barren wilderness?
and floods forthwith did flow,
both bread and flesh also?
with Jacob and his seed,
against Israel proceed.

The Third Part.

- 21 Because they did not faithfully
Could always help and succour them
22 Wherefore he did command the clouds,
And rain'd down manna for to eat,
23 When earthly men with angels food
He made the east-wind blow away,
24 He rain'd down flesh as thick as dust,
Which he did cast amidst the place
25 Then did they eat exceedingly,
Yet more and more they did desire
26 But as the meat was in their mouths,
And slew the strength of all their youth
27 Yet fell they to their wonted sin,
For all the wonders that he wrought
28 Their days therefore he shorten'd, and
Their years did waste and pass away
29 But ever when he plagued them
Remembering that he was their strength,
30 Tho' with their mouths they nothing did
but flatter with the Lord,
And with their tongues, and in their hearts,
dissembled ev'ry word:

believe and hope that he
in their necessity:
forthwith they brake in sunder,
a food of mighty wonder;
did plentifully feast:
and brought in the south-west;
and fowls as thick as sand,
where all their tents did stand,
and all men had their fills;
to serve their luts and wills:
his wrath upon them fell,
and choice of Israel.
and still they did him grieve;
they would not him believe:
did make their honour vain,
with terror and with pain:
they fought him speedily,
their help and God most high!
dissembled ev'ry word:

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The Fourth Part.

- 31 For why? their hearts were nothing bent
to him, nor what he said,
Nor yet to keep or to perform
the cov'nant he had made.
32 Yet was he still so merciful,
when they deserv'd to die,
That he forgave them, and would not
them utterly destroy:
33 Yea, many times he stay'd his wrath,
and did not them surprize,
And would not suffer that his whole
displeasure should arise;
34 Considering that they were but flesh,
or like to wind and rain,
Passing away, which never doth
return and come again.
35 How often in the wilderness
did they the Lord provoke!
How did they move and stir him up
to plague them with his stroke!