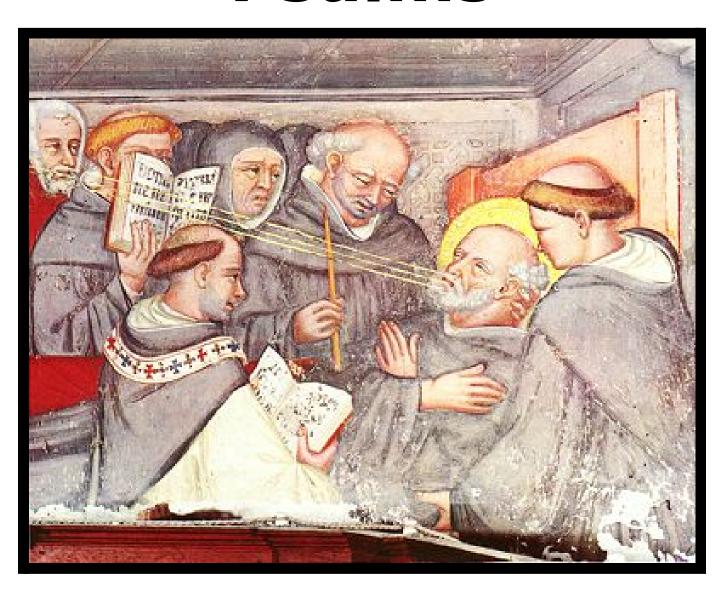
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# St. Augustine Prayer Book of the Seven Penitential Psalms



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## Antiphon:

Remember not, \* Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take Thou vengeance of our sins.

#### Psalm 6

6:1 Lord, rebuke me not in thy indignation, \* nor chastise me in thy wrath.

6:2 Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am weak: \* heal

me, O Lord, for my bones are troubled. 6:3 And my soul is troubled exceedingly: \* but thou, O Lord, how long?

6:4 Turn to me, O Lord, and deliver my soul: \* O save me for thy mercy's sake.

6:5 For there is no one in death, that is mindful of thee: \* and who shall confess to thee in hell?

6:6 I have laboured in my groanings,

every night I will wash my bed: \* I will water my couch with my tears.

6:7 My eye is troubled through indignation: \* I have grown old

amongst all my enemies.

6:8 Depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity: \* for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping.

6:9 The Lord hath heard my

supplication: \* the Lord hath received my prayer.

6:10 Let all my enemies be ashamed, and be very much troubled: \* let them be turned back, and

be ashamed very speedily.

- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit.
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without end. Amen.

### Psalm 31

31:1 Blessed are those whose iniquities are forgiven \* and whose sins are covered.

31:2 Blessed is the man to whom the

Lord hath not imputed sin, \* and in whose spirit there is no guile. 31:3 Because I was silent my bones grew old; \* whilst I cried out all the day long.

31:4 For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: \* I am turned in my anguish, whilst the thorn is fastened.

31:5 I have acknowledged my sin to thee, \* and

my injustice I have not concealed.

31:6 I said I will confess against myself my injustice to the Lord: \* and thou hast forgiven the wickedness of my sin.

31:7 For this shall every one that is holy pray to thee \* in a seasonable time.

31:8 And yet in a flood of many waters, \* they shall not come nigh unto him.

31:9 Thou art my refuge from the trouble which hath encompassed me: \* my joy, deliver me from them that surround me. 31:10 I will give thee

understanding, and

I will instruct thee in this way, in which thou shalt go: \* I will fix my eyes upon thee.

31:11 Do not become like the horse and the mule, \* who have no understanding.

31:12 With bit and bridle bind fast their jaws, \* who come not near unto thee.

31:13 Many are the scourges of the sinner, \* but mercy shall encompass

him that hopeth in the Lord.

31:14 Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, ye just, \* and glory, all ye right of heart.

- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit.
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without end. Amen.

### Psalm 37

37:1 Rebuke me not, O Lord, in thy indignation; \* nor chastise me in thy wrath.

37:2 For thy arrows are fastened in me: \* and thy hand

hath been strong upon me.

37:3 There is no health in my flesh, because of thy wrath: \* there is no peace for my bones, because of my sins.

**37:4 For my** iniquities are gone over my head: \* and as a heavy burden are become heavy upon me. 37:5 My sores are putrified and corrupted, \*

because of my foolishness.

37:6 I am become miserable, and am bowed down even to the end: \* I walked sorrowful all the day long. 37:7 For my loins are filled with

illusions; \* and there is no health in my flesh.

37:8 I am afflicted and humbled exceedingly: \* I roared with the groaning of my heart.

37:9 Lord, all my desire is before thee, \* and my groaning is not hidden from thee. 37:10 My heart is troubled, my strength hath left me, \* and the light of my eyes itself is not with me.

37:12 My friends and my neighbours \* have drawn near, and stood against me.

37:13 And they that were near me stood afar off: \* and they

that sought my soul used violence.

37:14 And they that sought evils to me spoke vain things, \* and studied deceits all the day long.

37:15 But I, as a deaf man, heard

not: \* and as a dumb man not opening his mouth. 37:16 And I became as a man that heareth not: and that hath no reproofs in his mouth.

**37:17** For in thee, **0** Lord, have I hoped: \* thou wilt hear me, O Lord my God. 37:18 For I said: Lest at any time my enemies rejoice over me: \* and whilst my feet are moved, they speak

great things against me.

37:19 For I am ready for scourges: \* and my sorrow is continually before me.

37:20 For I will declare my iniquity:

\* and I will think for my sin.

37:21 But my enemies live, and are stronger than I: \* and they that hate me wrongfully are multiplied.

37:22 They that render evil for

good, have detracted me, \* because I followed goodness.

37:23 Forsake me not, O Lord my God: \* do not thou depart from me.

37:23 Attend unto my help, \* O Lord,

the God of my salvation.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without end. Amen.

### Psalm 50

50:1 Have mercy on me, O God, \* according to thy great mercy.

50:2 And according to the multitude of thy tender mercies

\* blot out my iniquity.

50:3 Wash me yet more from my iniquity, \* and cleanse me from my sin.

50:4 For I know my iniquity, \* and my

sin is always before me.

50:5 To thee only have I sinned, and have done evil before thee: \* that thou mayst be justified in thy words, and mayst

overcome when thou art judged. 50:6 For behold I was conceived in iniquities; \* and in sins did my mother conceive me.

50:7 For behold thou hast loved truth: \* the

uncertain and hidden things of thy wisdom thou hast made manifest to me.

50:8 Thou shalt sprinkle me with hyssop, and I shall be cleansed: \* thou shalt wash me, and

I shall be made whiter than snow.

50:9 To my hearing thou shalt give joy and gladness: \* and the bones that have been humbled shall rejoice.

50:10 Turn away thy face from my

sins, \* and blot out all my iniquities.

50:11 Create a clean heart in me, O God: \* and renew a right spirit within my bowels.

50:12 Cast me not away from thy face;

\* and take not thy holy spirit from me. 50:13 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation, \* and strengthen me with a perfect spirit. 50:14 I will teach the unjust thy ways: \* and the

wicked shall be converted to thee.

50:15 Deliver me from blood, O God, thou God of my salvation: \* and my tongue shall extol thy justice.

50:16 O Lord, thou wilt open my lips: \*

and my mouth shall declare thy praise.

50:17 For if thou hadst desired sacrifice, I would indeed have given it: \* with burnt offerings thou wilt not be delighted.

50:18 A sacrifice to God is an afflicted spirit: \* a contrite and humbled heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

50:19 Deal favourably, O Lord, in thy good will with Sion; \* that

the walls of Jerusalem may be built up.

50:20 Then shalt thou accept the sacrifice of justice, oblations and whole burnt offerings: \* then shall they lay

calves upon thy altar.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without end. Amen.

## Psalm 101

101:1 Hear, O Lord, my prayer: \* and let my cry come to thee.

101:2 Turn not away thy face from me: \* in the day when I am in

trouble, incline thy ear to me.

101:3 In what day soever I shall call upon thee, \* hear me speedily.

101:4 For my days are vanished like smoke: \* and my bones are grown

dry like fuel for the fire.

101:5 I am smitten as grass, and my heart is withered: \* because I forgot to eat my bread. 101:6 Through the voice of my groaning, \* my

bone hath cleaved to my flesh.

101:7 I am become like to a pelican of the wilderness: \* I am like a night raven in the house. 101:8 I have watched, \* and am

become as a

sparrow all alone on the housetop. 101:9 All the day long my enemies reproached me: \* and they that praised me did swear against me. 101:10 For I did eat ashes like bread, \*

and mingled my drink with weeping. 101:11 Because of thy anger and indignation: \* for having lifted me up thou hast thrown me down.

101:12 My days have declined like a

shadow, \* and I am withered like grass. 101:13 But thou, O Lord, endurest for ever: \* and thy memorial to all generations.

101:14 Thou shalt arise and have mercy on Sion: \*

for it is time to have mercy on it, for the time is come.

101:15 For the stones thereof have pleased thy servants: \* and they shall have pity

on the earth thereof.

101:16 And the Gentiles shall fear thy name, O Lord, \* and all the kings of the earth thy glory. 101:17 For the Lord hath built up Sion:

\* and he shall be seen in his glory. 101:18 He hath had regard to the prayer of the humble: \* and he hath not despised their petition.

101:19 Let these things be written

unto another generation: \* and the people that shall be created shall praise the Lord:

101:20 Because he hath looked forth from his high sanctuary: \* from

heaven the Lord hath looked upon the earth.

101:21 That he might hear the groans of them that are in fetters: \* that he might release the children of the slain:

**101:22 That they** may declare the name of the Lord in Sion: \* and his praise in Jerusalem; 101:23 When the people assemble together, \* and

kings, to serve the Lord.

101:24 He answered him in the way of his strength: \* Declare unto me the fewness of my days.

101:25 Call me not away in the midst of my days: \* thy years are unto generation and generation.

101:26 In the beginning, O Lord, thou foundedst the earth: \* and the

heavens are the works of thy hands. 101:27 They shall perish but thou remainest: \* and all of them shall grow old like a garment: 101:28 And as a vesture thou shalt change them, and

they shall be changed. \* But thou art always the selfsame, and thy years shall not fail. 101:29 The children of thy servants shall continue: \* and

their seed shall be directed for ever.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without end. Amen.

## **Psalm 129**

129:1 Out of the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord: \*
Lord, hear my voice.

129:2 Let thy ears be attentive \* to

the voice of my supplication.

129:3 If thou, O
Lord, wilt mark
iniquities: \* Lord,
who shall stand it.

129:4 For with thee there is merciful forgiveness: \* and by reason of thy

law, I have waited for thee, O Lord. 129:5 My soul hath relied on his word: \* my soul hath hoped in the Lord. 129:6 From the morning watch even until night, \*

let Israel hope in the Lord.

129:7 Because with the Lord there is mercy: \* and with him plentiful redemption.

129:8 And he shall redeem Israel \*

from all his iniquities.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without end. Amen.

## **Psalm 142**

**142:1** Hear, O Lord, my prayer: give ear to my supplication in thy truth: \* hear me in thy justice. 142:2 And enter not into judgment with thy servant:

for in thy sight no man living shall be justified.

142:3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul: \* he hath brought down my life to the earth.

142:4 He hath made me to dwell in darkness as those that have been dead of old: \* and my spirit is in anguish within me: my heart within me is troubled.

142:5

I remembered the days of old, I meditated on all thy works: \* I meditated upon the works of thy hands. 142:6 I stretched forth my hands to

thee: \* my soul is as earth without water unto thee. 142:7 Hear me speedily, O Lord: my spirit hath fainted away. **142:8 Turn not** away thy face from me, \* lest I be like

unto them that go down into the pit. 142:9 Cause me to hear thy mercy in the morning; \* for in thee have I hoped.

142:10 Make the way known to me,

## wherein I should walk:

\* for I have lifted up my soul to thee. 142:11 Deliver me from my enemies, O Lord, to thee have I fled: \* teach me to do thy will,

for thou art my God.

142:12 Thy good spirit shall lead me into the right land: \* for thy name's sake, O Lord, thou wilt quicken me in thy justice.

142:12 Thou wilt bring my soul out of trouble: \* and in thy mercy thou wilt destroy my enemies.

142:12 And thou wilt cut off all them that afflict my soul:

- \* for I am thy servant.
- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit.
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without end. Amen.