

Trust Pleads

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When in modern times the world began to turn its back on God, did it really think that he would not notice or that he would not care? Today's madness is reaching a climax in which more and more souls must be realizing that for him to step in has become an absolute necessity, and that it will be a great act of mercy. However, in order not to lose heart in the meantime, let us see how even in Old Testament times the Psalmist urged God to step in, without doubting for a moment in his power to do so. The Psalms are a divinely inspired school of prayer for all time, and they apply just as much to the New Testament as to the Old. Here is Psalm 73 (74, modern numbering):—

A. THE ANXIETY [1] O God, why hast thou cast us off unto the end: why is thy wrath enkindled against the sheep of thy pasture? [2] Remember thy congregation (*Catholics*) which thou hast possessed from the beginning. The sceptre of thy inheritance which thou hast redeemed: Mount Sion (*the Catholic Church*) in which thou hast dwelt. [3] Lift up thy hands against their pride unto the end; see what things the enemy hath done wickedly in the sanctuary (*e.g. of the Novus Ordo*). [4] And they that hate thee have made their boasts, in the midst of thy solemnity (*e.g. liturgy*). They have set up their ensigns for signs, [5] And they knew not (*God*) both in the going out and on the highest top. As with axes in a wood of trees, [6] they have cut down at once the gates of thy solemnity, with axe and hatchet they have brought it down. [7] They have set fire to thy sanctuary: they have defiled the dwelling place of thy name on the earth. [8] They said in their heart, the whole kindred of them together: Let us abolish all the festival days of God (*Catholic Feast-days*) from the land. [9] Our signs we have not seen, there is now no prophet: and God will know us no more. [10] How long, O God, shall the enemy reproach: is the adversary to provoke thy name

for ever? [11] Why dost thou turn away thy hand: and thy right hand out of the midst of thy bosom for ever?

B. THE TRUST [12] But God is our king before ages: he hath wrought salvation in the midst of the earth. [13] Thou by thy strength didst make the sea firm: thou didst crush the heads of the dragons in the waters. [14] Thou hast broken the heads of the dragon: thou hast given him to be meat for the people of the Ethiopians. [15] Thou hast broken up the fountains and the torrents: thou hast dried up the Ethan rivers. [16] Thine is the day, and thine is the night: thou hast made the dawn and the sun. [17] Thou hast made all the borders of the earth: the summer and the spring were formed by thee.

C. THE PLEA [18] Remember this, the enemy hath reproached the Lord: and a foolish people hath provoked thy name. [19] Deliver not up to beasts the souls that confess to thee (*Catholics keeping the Faith*): and forget not to the end the souls of thy poor. [20] Have regard to thy covenant (*the Catholic Church*): for they that are the obscure of the earth (*humble Catholics*) have been filled with dwellings of iniquity (*e.g the New World Order*). [21] Let not the humble be turned away with confusion: the poor and needy shall praise thy name. [22] Arise, O God, judge thy own cause: remember thy reproaches with which the foolish man hath reproached thee all day long. [23] Forget not the voices of thy enemies: the pride of them that hate thee is continually rising.

Kyrie eleison.