

S E R M O N.

Psalm 124th, 1st, 2d, and 3d,
Verses.

*IF IT HAD NOT BEEN THE LORD WHO WAS ON
OUR SIDE, NOW MAY ISRAEL SAY; IF IT HAD
NOT BEEN THE LORD WHO WAS ON OUR
SIDE, WHEN MEN ROSE UP AGAINST US,
THEN THEY HAD SWALLOWED US UP QUICK,
WHEN THEIR WRATH WAS KINDLED AGAINST
US.*

MANKIND, in times of public danger and distress,
have always had recourse to Religion for consolation.
It is at such seasons, when they feel the inefficacy of all
human assistance, when the wisdom of the world is baffled,
that their hearts open to Religion, as the only asylum that
offers