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*THE PSALMS OF SOLOMON.**

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THIS is a collection of eighteen Psalms in Greek, written as is generally supposed by a Pharisee or Pharisees resident in Jerusalem, in the last half of the century before Christ. They are called the Psalms of Solomon, probably because of the Messianic character of the 17th, which resembles the 72nd of the Canonical Psalter. Copyists or translators may have originally ascribed the composition to Solomonic authorship. As the name of David was given to the Canonical Psalter, the name of Solomon, David's son, would readily suggest itself as a fitting title for this second Psalter. To this name may be ascribed the fact that the collection has not long since been buried in oblivion.

The design of these Psalms, if an opinion is based upon the more important, was to protest against the corrupting influences of the Asmonæan party who were backed by the Sadducees.

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