

Thou showest mercy, and in time of trouble  
Thou dost forgive offences: and behold, O  
Lord, I confess my sins: beseeching Thee  
for Thy goodness, to do unto me, according  
to Thy wonted mercy. I am confounded  
and ashamed to lift up mine eyes unto Thee,  
because my sins have prevented my prayers,  
and have ascended up to Thee, before them.  
Yet wherefore should I die in my sins,  
seeing it is not Thy pleasure that any  
sinner should die, but turn unto Thee and  
live? For Thou art good and gracious, and  
savest those who are altogether unworthy,  
out of the abundance of Thy mercy in  
Christ Jesus. For although Thine anger  
against sinners is insufferable, and who may  
abide it? yet thy mercy towards offenders  
is unsearchable, and who can find out the  
depth thereof, or describe it? Our fathers  
in their troubles cried unto Thee, and Thou  
didst deliver them: they put their trust in  
Thee, and were not confounded. And