

The man is blest that hath not bent

Psalm 1

Thomas Ravenscroft (c.1592-c.1635)

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (London, 1621)

Cantus

Medius

Tenor

Bassus

The man is blest that hath not bent to wick-
Whose leaf shall ne-ver fade nor fall but flour-
There-fore shall not the wick-ed men in judg-

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- ed__ rede his ear: nor led his life as sin-ners do, nor sat in scor-
- ish__ still and stand: E-ven so all things shall prosper well that this man takes
- ment stand up-right: Nor yet the sin-ners with the just shall come in place.

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<p>The man is blest that hath not bent to wicked rede¹ his ear: nor led his life as sinners do, nor sat in scorners chair: But in the law of God the Lord doth set his whole delight: and in that law doth exercise himself both day and night.</p>	<p>Whose leaf shall never fade nor fall but flourish still and stand: Even so all things shall prosper well that this man takes in hand. So shall not the ungodly men, they shall be nothing so: But as the dust which from the earth the winds drive too and fro.</p>	<p>Therefore shall not the wicked men in judgment stand upright: Nor yet the sinners with the just shall come in place or sight. For why? the way of Godly men unto the Lord is known, and eke the way of wicked men shall quite be overthrown.</p>
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¹*rede: council or advice given by one person to another (OED, 2nd ed.)*