

Man blest no doubt

The first tune

Archbishop Matthew Parker (1504-1575), Psalm 1

Thomas Tallis (c.1505-1585)

The Whole Psalter translated into English meter (John Daye press, London, 1567)

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Man blest no doubt, who walk'th not out in wick - ed men's af -
 He like shall be the plan - ted tree, nor set the ri - ver's
 There-fore these men, no wick - ed then, in judg - ment shall not

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fairs, and stand'th no day in sin - ners way, nor sitt'th in scor - ners chairs;
 course; which forth in tide, whose leaves a - bidde, all prosp-'reth what he does.
 stand, nor sin - ners be in com - pa - ny of right-eous men of hand.

But hath his will, in God's law still, this law to love a - right.
 Not so, not so the wick - ed do, like dust or chaff they be;
 The Lord doth know, and will a - vow men's ways that are of God;

and will him use on it to muse, to keep it day and night.
 up - hoist by wind, as light by kind from face of Earth to see.
 where shall de - cay the bea - ten way of wick - ed men so broad.

Man blest, no doubt, who walk'th not out
 in wicked men's affairs,
 and stand'th no day in sinners' way,
 nor sitt'th in scorn's chairs;
 but hold'th even still God's Law in will,
 with all his heart's delight;
 and will him use on it to muse,
 to keep it day and night.

He like shall be the planted tree,
 nor set the river's course;
 which forth in tide, whose leaves abide,
 all prosp'reth what he does.
 Not so, not so the wicked do,
 like dust or chaff they be;
 uphoist by wind, as light by kind
 from face of Earth to see.

Therefore these men, no wicked then,
 in judgment shall not stand,
 nor sinners be in company
 of righteous men of hand.
 The Lord doth know, and will avow
 men's ways that are of God;
 where shall decay the beaten way
 of wicked men, so broad.