Psalm 45  

Eructavit cor meum  

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MY HEART is inditing of a good matter:  I speak of the things which I have made unto the King.  2. My tongue is the pen: of a ready writer.

3. Thou art fairer than the children of men: full of grace are thy lips, because God hath blessed thee for ever.  4. Gird thee with thy sword upon thy thigh, O thou most Mighty: according to thy worship and renown.  5. Good luck have thou with thine honour: ride on, because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.

6. Thy arrows are very sharp, and the people shall be subdued unto thee: even in the midst among the King’s enemies.  7. Thy seat, O God, endureth for ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.  8. Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity: wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.  9. All thy garments smell of myrrh, aloes, and cassia: out of the ivy-ry pa-laces, whereby they have made
thee glad. 10. Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women: upon thy
right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers
colours. 11. Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear: for get also
thine own people, and thy father's house. 12. So shall the King have pleasure
in thy beauty: for he is thy Lord God, and worship thou him. 13. And the
daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift: like as the rich also among the
people shall make their supplication before thee. 14. The King's daughter is all
glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold. 15. She shall be brought un-
to the King in raiment of needle-work: the virgins that be her fellows shall
bear her company, and shall be brought unto thee. 16. With joy and gladness
shall they be brought: and shall enter into the King's palace. 17. Instead of thy
fathers thou shalt have children: whom thou mayest make princes in all
lands. 18. I will remember thy Name from one generation to another:
therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee, world without end.  Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;  As it was in
the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall be: world without end. Amen