

PSALMUS 128

128 : 1 CANTICUM GRADUUM: Saepe expugnāvērunt mē ā juventūte meā, dīcat nunc Isrāhēl.

A gradual canticle. Often have they fought against me from my youth, let Israel now say.

128 : 2 Saepe expugnāvērunt mē ā juventūte meā; etenim nōn potuērunt mihi.

Often have they fought against me from my youth: but they could not prevail over me.

128 : 3 Suprā dorsum meum fabricāvērunt peccātōrēs; prolongāvērunt inīquitātem suam.

The wicked have wrought upon my back: they have lengthened their iniquity.

128 : 4 Dominus jūstus concīdit cervīcēs peccātōrum.

The Lord who is just will cut the necks of sinners:

128 : 5 Cōfundantur et convertantur retrōrsum omnēs, quī ōdērunt Sīōn.

Let them all be confounded and turned back that hate Sion.

128 : 6 Fiant sicut foenum tēctōrum, quod priusquam ēvellātur exāruit,

Let them be as grass upon the tops of houses, which withereth before it be plucked up,

128 : 7 dē quō nōn implēvit manum suam quī metit, et sinum suum quī manipulōs colligit.

who with the mower filleth not his hand, nor he that gathereth sheaves his bosom.

128 : 8 Et nōn dīxērunt quī praeterībant: Benedictiō Dominī super vōs; benedīximus vōbīs in nōmine Dominī.

And they that passed by have not said: The blessing of the Lord be upon you; we have blessed you in the name of the Lord.