

# O Lord thou didst us cleane forsake

The Whole Booke of Psalmes - *Psalm 60*

Edward BLANCKS (1586 - 1638)

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TENOR  
or Playnsong

BASSVS

*Dutch Tune*

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2. Thy might did move the land so sore,  
that it in sunder brake:  
The hurt thereof O Lord restore,  
for it doth bow and quake.

3. With heavy chance thou plaguest thus  
the people that are thine:  
And thou hast given unto us  
a drink of deadly wine.

4. But yet to such as fear thy name  
a token shall ensue:  
That they may triumph in the same,  
because thy word is true.

5. So that thy might may keep and save  
thy flocks that favor thee:  
That they thy help at hand may have,  
O Lord grant this to me.

6. The Lord did speak from his own place,  
this was his joyful tale:  
I will divide Sichem by space  
and mete out Succoth's vale.

7. Gilead is given to my hand,  
Manasseh's mine beside:  
Ephraim the strength of all my Land,  
my Law doth Juda guide.

8. In Moab will I wash my feet,  
over Edom throw my shoe:  
And thou Palestine ought to seek  
for favor me unto.

9. But who will bring me at this tide  
unto the City strong?

Or who to Edom will me guide  
so that I go not wrong?

10. Wilt thou O God which didst forsake  
thy folk, their lands and coasts?  
Our wars in hand thou would'st not take  
nor walk amongst our hosts.

11. Give aid O Lord, and us relieve  
from them that us disdain:  
The help that hosts of men can give,  
it is but all in vain.

12. But through our God we shall have might  
to take great things in hand:  
He will tread down and put to flight,  
all those that thee withstand.

## Critical notes:

The setting is similar to the one of Psalm 12;  
Text somewhat modernised.