

XII. THE *MACCABEES*

I *Kal' Augustus Passio Sanctorum Machabeorum* f. 139v

Æfter ðam ðe Alexander se egefulla cyning
 todælde his rice his dyrlingum gehwilcum on his
 forðsiðe, 1) hi fengon to rice, gehwylc on his healf, þa
 5 weoxon fela yfelu, wide geond eorðan, for ðæra cyninga
 gewinne. An ðæra cyninga wæs heora eallra forcuðost,
 arleas 2) uppahafen, Antiochus gehaten. Se feaht on
 10 Ægypta lande, 3) afligde ðone cynincg, 4) ferde syððan to
 Hierusalem mid mycelre fyrde, 5) bereafode Godes templ
 goldes 6) seolfres, 7) fela goldhordas forð mid him gelæhte,
 8) ða halgan maðmfatu 9) þæt mære weofod, 10) ofsloh þæs
 folces fela on ðære byrig, 11) modelice spræc, on his
 mihta truwigende.

Eft, æfter sumum fyrste, asende se cyning on
 15 ærendgewritum þæt ealle menn gebugon to his
 hæðenscipe 12) to his gesetnyssum. 13) asende to
 Hierusalem, Iudeiscre byrig, on þære wæs ða gewurðod

Manuscripts: C, E, J, L, P, Q, R, V, and printed source:
 Sk. 1) *Kal' Kls, Q; Augustus] Augusti, C; Machabeorum]*
Machabeorum I., C. 2) Æfter] Efter, C; ðam] ðan, V. 3)
dyrlingum] deorlingum, C & E. 4) hi] heo, E; gehwylc]
gehwilce, C. 5) weoxon] weoxan, C, weox, E & V; fela]
feola, E & V; yfelu] yfela, Q; ðæra] ðære\ a/ with 'e'
subpuncted J, ðære, E & V. 6) ðæra] ðære\ a/ with 'e'
subpuncted J, þara, E, ðære, V; eallra] ealra, C, E, & Q.
7) uppahafen] upahafen, C & E; Antiochus] antiochius, E.
8) Ægypta] egypa, C & E; cynincg] cyning, C, E, V, & Q.
9) fyrde] fy\elrde, E; bereafode] berefode, E; templ] tempel,
E, temple, V. 10) fela] feala, E. 11) halgan] halgam, V;
maðmfatu] maðfatu, E. 12) fela] feala, E, feola, V; modelice]
modiglice, E & V. 13) truwigende] truwigendæ, C, truiwende,
V. 14) asende] asænde, C & E. 15) menn] men, C, E, & V.
 16) gesetnyssum] gesetnessum, C; asende] asænde, C & E.

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se eallwealdende God æfter ðære ealdan æ þe hi ana þa
 heoldon, 19) het hi gebugan fram Gode 19) fram his
 20) biggengum; 19) arærde þæt deofolgild uppon Godes weofode,
 19) het hi ealle offrian to ðære anlicnysse 19) ælcne
 acwellan þe wiðcwæde his hæsum. Wearð þa mycel
 angsumnyss on eallum þam folce þe on God gelyfdon,
 for ðam gramlicum dædum; 19) manega gebugon to ðam
 25) manfullan hæðengilde. 19) eac fela wiðcwædon þæs cyninges
 hæsum, 19) woldon heora lif forlætan ærþan ðe heora
 geleafan, 19) noldon hi fylan þam fulan hæðenscype, ne
 Godes æ tobrecan þe hi on bocum ræddon.

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Hwæt, þa wearð gelæht sum geleafful bocere,
 30) harwencge 19) eald, se hatte Eleazarus. 19) hi bestungon him
 on muþ mid mycelre ðreatunge þone fulan mete þe
 Moyses forbead Godes folce to þicgenne for þære
 gastlican getacnunge. We moton nu secgan swutellicor
 be ðysum, hwylce mettas wæron mannum forbodene on
 35) ðære ealdan æ þe mann ett nu swaðeah. Moyses forbead,
 for mycelre getacnunge, on ðære ealdan æ æfter Godes
 dihte, þa nyteno to etanne—þam ealdan folce—þe heora
 cudu ne ceowað, 19) het ða unclæne; 19) þa þe synd

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18) *eallwealdende*] *ealwealdenda*, C & E, *ealwealdene*, V;
hi] *bio*, E. 19) *hi*] *bio*, E; *gebugon*] *bugan*, C, *ða gebugon*, E.
 20) *biggengum*] *biggengum*, E; *þæt*] om. C, *þa*, E & V;
uppon] *uppan*, E & V; *Godes*] *drihtnes*, C, E, & Sk (see
 notes). 21) *hi*] *bio*, E; *anlicnysse*] *anlicnesse*, C, *anlicnyʌe/sse*,
 E with ‘y’ subpuncted. 22) *acwellan*] \a/cwellan, J;
wiðcwæde] *wiðcwæðe*, E. 23) *angsumnyss*] *angsumnys*, C &
 E. 25) *manfullan*] *manfullum*, C; *hæðengilde*] *heþengylde*,
 C; *fela*] *feala*, E, *feola*, V. 26) *woldon heora*] V ends. 27)
noldon] *noldan*, E; *fylan*] *befylan mid*, C, *filan mid*, E,
fylan mid, Sk. 28) *tobrecan*] *tobræcon*, E; *hi*] *bio*, E. 30)
harwencge] *harwenge*, C & E; *hi*] *bio*, E. 33) *gastlican*]
gaslican, C; *secgan*] *sæcgan*, E; *swutellicor*] *swutollicor*, C &
 E. 34) *ðysum*] *ðissum*, E. 35) *þe*] *þʌe/*, E; *mann*] *man*, C &
 E; *et nu*] *yt nu*, C, *nu et*, E. 37) *etanne*] *etenne*, C, *etene*,
 E; *ealdan*] *ealdum*, C & E.

gehofode, on horses gelicnysse, untclofenum clawum
 40 wærон unclæne eac. Þa clænan nytenu þe heora cudu
 ceowað getacniað þa men þe on heora mode smeagað
 embe Godes willan, syððan hi his word gehyrað of
 lareowa muðum, swylce hi heora mete ceowan. And ða
 45 synd unclæne þe heora cudu ne ceowað, forðan þe hi
 getacniað þa ðe tela nellað, ne nellað leornian hwæt Gode
 leof sy, ne on heora mode wealcan þæs hælendes
 beboda, ḡ syndon forðy unclæne, swa swa ða forcuðan
 50 nytenu. Þa nytenu synd clæne þe tocleofað heora clawa
 ḡ heora cudu ceowað. Hi getacniað þa geleaffullan on
 Godes gelaðunge, þe mid geleafan underfoð þa ealdan
 gecyðnyssse, ḡ Cristes gesetnysse—þæt is seo ealde æ ḡ seo
 niwe gecyðnyss—᠁ ceowað Godes beboda symle mid
 smeagunge. Þa nytenu wærон unclæne gecwedene on
 þære æ þe ne tocleofað heora clawa, þeah ðe hi heora
 55 cudu ceowan, oððe gif hi tocleofað heora clawa ḡ ceowan
 nellað, for ðære getacnunge þe ða towerd wæs. Þæt
 getacnað þæt we tocleofan ure clawa on þam twam
 gecyðnyssum, þæt is on ðære ealdan æ ḡ on ðære niwan
 gecyðnyssse þæt is æ ḡ godspel, ḡ þæt we on mode smeagan
 60 þæs ælmihtigan hæse, ḡ se ðe aþor forlæt se leofað
 unclæne.

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39) *gelicnysse*] *gelicnesse*, C & E. 41) *on*] om. E; *smeagað*]
smeageað, C. 43) *lareowa*] *larewa*, E; *ceowan*] *ceowon*, C,
ceowaðo/n, E. 44) *synd*] *synde*, C; *hi*] *hio*, E. 45) *nellað*]
nyllað, E. 46) *heora*] *heore*, C; *wealcan*] *wealcen*, C; *hælendes*]
hælendas, C. 47) *forcuðan*] *forcuðostan*, C. 48) *nytenu*]
nynetenu, E; *heora*] *hæ/era*, E. 49) *Hi*] *hio*, E. 51) *gesetnysse*]
gesetnesse, C; *seo*] *sio*, E. æ ḡ æ, E. 52) *seo*] *se*, C; *gecyðnyss*]
gecyðnyss, C & E; *symle*] *symble*, C. 54) *tocleofað*] *cleofað*, E;
hi heora] *hi \heora/*, J, *hi*, C, & Sk, *hio*, E. 55) *ceowan*]
ceowun, C; *hi*] *hio*, E; *tocleofað*] *tocliofað*, E; *heora clawa*]
\heora clawa/, J, om. C, E, & Sk. 56) *nellað*] *nyllað*, E;
towerd] *toward*, E. 57-9) ‘getacnað...gecyðnyss’ (see notes).
 59) *godspell*] *godspell*, E; ḡ *þæt*] *þæt*, C. 60) *hæse*] *hæsa*, C,
hæsea with ‘e’ subpuncted, E.

Swa swa ða Iudeiscan, þe urne drihten forseoð 7 his godspelbodunge to bysmre habbað, syndon unclæne 7 Criste andsæte—þeah ðe hi Moyses æ on heora muðe
 65 wealcon—7 nellað understandan butan þæt steaflice andgit. Fela wæron forbodene Godes folce on ðære ealdan æ þe nu syndon clæne æfter Cristes tocyme, siððan Paulus cwæð to þam Cristenum ðus: ‘Omnia munda mundis’; þæt is on Englisc : ‘Ealle ðincg syndon
 70 clæne þam clænum mannum; þam ungeleaffullan 7 unclænum nis nan þincg clæne.’ Hara wæs ða unclæne, forðan ðe he nis cliferfete; 7 swin wæs ða unclæne, forðan þe hit ne ceow his cudu. Sume wæron þa fule þe nu synd eac fule, ac hit biþ to langsum eall her to logigenne
 75 be ðam clænum nytenum, oððe be þam unclænum on ðære ealdan æ þe mann ett nu swaðeah.

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þa wolde Eleazarus werlice sweltan ærðan þe he Godes æ forgegan wolde, 7 nolde forswelgan ðæs spices snæd þe hi him on muð bestungon, forðan þe Moyses
 80 forbead swyn to etenne (swa swa we ær sædon). Þa bædon ða cwelleras, for heora ealdcyððe, þæt hi moston him beran unforboden flæsc, 7 dyde swilce he æte of ðam

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63) *bysmre*] bismore, C & E. 64) *hi*] bio, E. 65) *wealcon*] *wealca\o/n*, E; *nellað*] *nyllað*, E; *understandan*] *understande\a/n* with second ‘e’ subpuncted, J, *understanden*, E; *butan*] *buton*, C & E; *steaflice*] *stæflice*, C & E. 67) *ealdan*] \ealdan/, J, om. C, E, & Sk. 69) *þæt is on englisc*] \þæt is on englisc/, J, om. C, E, & Sk; *ðincg syndon*] *þing synd*, C & E. 70) *ungeleaffullan*] *ungeleaffullum*, C & E. 71) *þincg*] *þing*, C & E. 72) *forðan*] *forðon*, E; *nis*] *is*, J, C, & E; *ða*] om. C & E. 73) *hit*] *hi\nt/*, J. 74) *hit*] om. E; *eall*] *eal*, C; *logigenne*] *logienne*, C & E. 76) *mann*] *man*, C & E; *ett*] *yt*, C, *et*, E. 77) *werlice*] *wærlice*, C & E; *sweltan*] *swel\tan/*, E. 78) *forgegan*] *forgægan*, C & E; *ðæs*] *ðas*, Sk. 79) *snæd*] *snæt*, C; *hi*] *bio*, E; *bestungon*] *bestungen*, E; *forðan*] *forham*, C & E. 81) *cwelleras*] *cwelleres*, C; *ealdcyððe*] ea\ll/cyððe, E; *hi*] *bio*, E; *moston*] *mostan*, E.

offrungspice, ⁊ swa mid ðære hiwunge him sylfum
geburge.

85 Da cwæð Eleazarus: ‘Ic eom eald to hiwigenne, ⁊ wenað
þa geongan þæt ic wille forgægan Godes gesetnysse for
ðisum sceortan life, ⁊ bið þonne min hiwung him to
forwyrde, ⁊ ic sylf beo andsæte Gode þurh swylce
gebysnunge. Ðeah ðe ic beo ahred fram manna reðnysse,
90 ic ne mæg þam ælmihtigan ahwar ætberstan on life oþþe
on deaðe; ac ic læte bysne þam iungum cnihtum gif ic
cenlice swelte arwurðum deaðe for ðære halgan æ.’ Þa
wurdon ða cwelleras, þe him cuðlice tospræcon, swyðe
geyrsole for ðære andsware, ⁊ tugon hine to þam witum
95 þæt he wurde acweald, ⁊ he ða mid geleafan his lif
geendode.

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Þær wurdon eac gelæhte ⁊ gelædde to ðam cynincge
seofon gebroðra, swyðe gelyfede, ⁊ heora modor samod.
⁊ hi man mid swingle ðreade þæt hi etan
100 sceoldon—ongean godes æ—spicc. Þa cwæð se yldesta:
‘Hwæt axast ðu ȝt us? We synd gearwe to sweltenne
swyðor þonne to forgægenne ures scyppendes drihtnes
æ þe he gesette þurh Moysen!’

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105 Þa yrsode se cynincg, ⁊ het forceorfan his tungan, ⁊
hine behættian, ⁊ his handa forceorfan, ⁊ eac beftian. ⁊
het feccan ænne hwer ⁊ hine þæreron seoðan, oðþæt he

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83) *offrungspice*] *offrincspice*, C; *sylfum*] *selfum*, E. 86)
geongan] *gungan*, C & E; *gesetnysse*] *gesetnesse*, C & E. 87)
sceortan] *scortan*, E. 88) *sylf*] *self*, C & E; *andsæte*] *an\d/*
sæte, E; *gode*] \godel/, J, om. C, E, & Sk. 89) *reðnysse*]
reðnesse, C, ry\le\ðnysse, E. 90) *ælmihtigan*] *almihtigan*, Sk.
91) *iungum*] *geongum*, C. 93) *wurdon*] *wurda\o/n* with ‘a’
subpuncted, E; *cwelleras*] *cwelleres*, C. 96) *geendode*]
geændode, E. 97) *gelæhte*] *gelætte*, C. 98) *cynincge*] *cyninge*,
C & E; *seofon*, C; *gelyfede*] *gelefede*, E; *heora*] *biora*,
E. 99) *hi etan*] *bio \etan/*, E. 100) *sceoldon*] *scoldon*, E;
spicc] *spic*, C & E; *se yldesta*] *se eltesta*, C, \sel yldesta, E.
102) *scyppendes*] *sceppendes*, C & E; *drihtnes*] om. C, E, &
Sk. 103) *Moysen*] *Moyses*, J, *moyse\o/n/s* with second ‘s’
subpuncted, E. 104) *cynincgl* *cyning*, C, *cyningc*, E.

sawlode ætforan his gebroþrum, þæt hi abugan sceoldon. Hwæt, þa six gebroþra hi sylfe þa tihton, 7 seo modor samod, secgende him betwynan þæt hi 110 sweltan woldon for Godes gesetnyssum. 7 hi cwædon þus: [122]
 ‘God sylf gefrefrað us, swa swa Moyses geswutelode on ðære fiftan bec, þæt is þæt God gefrefrað his ðeowan.’

þa gebundon ða cwelleras þone oþerne broðor 7 hine behættedon hetelice; 7 axodon hwæðer he etan wolde 115 ærðan þe he behamelod wurde. He cwæð þæt he nolde, 7 he ða gelice witu swa swa his yldra broðor ardlice underfeng. 7 cwæð to ðam cyninge þe hi acwellan het: ‘Du forscyldegodesta cynincg, ofslihst us 7 amyrst; ac se 120 ælmihtiga cyning us eft arærð to þam ecean life, nu we for his 2 æ sweltað!’

Hi bundon ðone þryddan 7 mid bysmore hetan his tungan forðræcan, 7 he hraðe swa dyde 7 his handa him ræhte, 7 mid anrædnysse cwæð: ‘Das lima ic hæfde þurh 125 ðone heofonlican cynincg. Ac ic hi nu forseo for his gesetnysse, forþan þe ic hopie to him þæt ic hi eft underfeo æt him!’

107) *hi]* *hio*, E. 110) *woldon]* *wolden*, C; *gesetnyssum]* *gesetnessum*, C; 7 *hi cwædon þus]* \7 *hi cwædon þus/*, J, om. C, E, & Sk. 111) *sylf]* *self*, C & E; *geswutelode]* *geswutulode*, E. 112) *is þæt]* \is þæt/, J, om. C, E, & Sk; *gefrefrað]* *frefrað*, E. 114) *behættedon]* *behættodon*, C; *axodon]* *axodæn* with the ‘a’ of the ‘æ’ subpuncted, E; *hwæðer]* *hwæder*, C. 115) *ærðan]* æ\r/\han, E, *arðan*, Sk; *behamelod wurde]* *wurde behamelod*, C, *wurðe behamolod*, E; *nolde]* *nol*, C. 116) *witu]* *wita\u/* with ‘a’ subpuncted, J, *wita*, C & E. 117) *cwæð to]* *cwæð þa to*, E; *hi]* *hio*, E. 118) *forsylddegodesta]* *forsyldgode*sta, C & E; *cynincg]* *cyning*, C & E; *ofslihst]* *ofslebst*, C; *amyrst]* *amerst*, C. 119) *ecean]* *ec\el\an*, J, *ecan*, C, E, & Sk. 121) *Hi]* *Hio*, E; *bysmore]* \bys/more, E. 122) *tungan]* *tungon*, E; *forðræcan]* *forðræco\aln*, with the second ‘o’ subpuncted, E; *hraðe]* *raðe*, C; *bis handa]* *bes*, E. 123) *anrædnysse]* *anrædnesse*, C; *lima]* *lioma*, E. 124) *cynincg]* *cyning*, C & E; *nu]* \nu/, E. 125) *gesetnysse]* *gesetnessum*, C, *gesetnyssum*, E; *hopie]* *hopige*, E.

And se cynincg wundrode, *þ* þa þe mid him wæron,
 ðæs cnihtes anrædnysse, þæt he ða cwylmincge
 forseah. Æfter ðyses forðsiðe hi gefengon ðone feorðan *þ*
 130 eallswa getintregedon. Ac he anrædlice cwæð: ‘Selre us is
 to sweltenne *þ* soðlice anbidian þæs ecean æristes æt
 ðam ælmihtigan Gode; ac ðe ne bið nan ærist to ðam
 ecan life!’ Se ða geendode mid anrædum gelefan, *þ* hi
 135 gefengon to dreccenne þone fiftan broðor. He beseah ða
 to ðam cynincge, *þ* cwæð him þus to: ‘Nu ðu mihte hæfst
 betwux mannum sume hwile, ðu dest swa swa ðu wylt,
 ac ne wen ðu swaðeah þæt se God us forlæte þe we on
 gelyfað. Þu afindst his mihte ungefyrn on ðe sylfum, hu
 140 he þe tintregað teartlice on witum!’ Se geendode ða, *þ*
 hi ardlice gelæhton þone sixtan broðor *þ* he sweltende
 cwæð: ‘Ne dwela ðu on idel, þeah ðe drihten ðe geþafige
 þæt we for urum synnum to swylcere wæfersyne synd. *þ*
 ne wen ðu na be þe, þæt þu ungewitnod beo, nu ðu
 145 winst ongean God! *þ* se gewat þa swa sona.

145 Þa wundrode heora modor, þæt hi swa wel ongunnon.
þ heo mid bliþum mode hyre bearne æfre tihte, ælcne
 onsundron, *þ* sæde heom eallum: ‘Ne fegde ic eowre

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127) *cynincg*] *cyning*, C & E; *mid him*] *him mid*, C. 128) *anrædnysse*] *a&n/rædnysse*, J, *anrædnesse*, C; *cwylmincge*] *cwylminge*, C & E. 129) *forseah*] *forseoð*, E; *hi*] *hio*, E. 130) *eallswa*] *ealswa*, C & E; *getintregedon*] *tintregodon*, C & E. 131) *sweltenne*] *swelten*, E; *anbidian*] *andbidian*, E; *ecean*] *ec\ean*, J, *ecan*, C & Sk, *eacan*, E; *æristes*] *æristð*, C. 133) *ecan*] *ecam*, C; *geendode*] *geændode*, E; *mid*] *mid ðam*, E; *hi*] *hio*, E. 134) *dreccenne*] *dræccenne*, C, *dræncenne*, E. 135) *cynincge*] *cyninge*, C & E. 136) *ðu wylt*] \ðu/ *wylt*, J. 138) *gelyfað*] *gelefæð*, E; *afindst*] *afintst*, C, *afinst*, E; *sylfum*] *selfum*, C & E. 139) *þe*] om. E; *teartlice on witum*] om. E; *geendode*] *geændode*, E. 140) *hi*] *hio*, E. 141) *dwela*] *dwele*, E; *ðe*] om. E. 143) *ungewitnod*] *unwitnod*, C; *beo*] *sy*, E. 144) *winst*] *wym\st/ð*, E; *sona*] om. C & E. 145) *hi*] *hio*, E. 146) *hyre*] *biore*, E. 147) *onsundron*] *onsundran*, E; *heom*] *hi\eo/m* with ‘i’ subpuncted, J, *him*, C, *biom*, E.

lima, ne ic eow lif ne forgeaf; ac middaneardes
 scyppend eow sealde gast ȝ lif, ȝ he eft eow forgifð þæt
 150 ece lif mid him, swa swa ge nu syllað eow sylfe for his æ.'

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Hwæt, ða Antiochus, se arleasa cynincg, behet þam
 anum cnapan þe þær cucu wæs þa git mycele
 woruldæhta, gif he wolde him abugan. ȝ bæd eac ða
 modor þæt heo hire bearn tihte, þæt he huru ana abuge,
 155 þeah þe his gebroðra noldon, ȝ seo modor behet him
 þæt heo wolde hine læran. Þa abeah seo modor to hire
 bearne ȝ cwæð: 'Gemiltsa me, min sunu, ic ðe to men gebær.
 Beseh nu to heofonum, ȝ besceawa þas eorðan ȝ ealle ða
 gesceafta þe him on synd nu, ȝ understand be
 160 ðam hu se ælmihtiga God hi ealle gesceop, butan
 antimbre, of nahte. ȝ ne forhta ðu ana for ðysum
 feondlican cwellere, ac underfoh þone deað, swa swa
 ðine gebroðra dydon, þæt ic ðe eft underfo on
 eadignysse mid heom.'

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165 ȝa clypode se iungling to ðam cwellerum þus ȝ cwæð:
 'Hwæs andbidige ge? Ne beo ic na gehyrsum þæs
 cyninges hæsum, ac Godes bebodum þe he bebead

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148) *forgeaf*] *forgæf*, E. 149) *scyppend*] *sceppend*, C, *scyppen*,
 E; *forgifð*] *forgi*[*Jfð*, J. 150) *nu*] om. C; *yllað*] *sellæð*, C &
 E. 151) *Antiochus*] *antiochius*, E; *cynincg*] *cyning*, C & E.
 152) *git*] *get*, E; *mycele*] *miccle*, E. 153) *woruldæhta*]
weoruldæhta, E. 154) *hire*] *beara*, C; *huru*] *hura*, E. 155)
gebroðra] *gebroðro*, E. 156) *heo*] *hio*, E; *abeah*] *beseah*, E;
hire] *biore*, E. 157) *Gemiltsa*] *gemildsa*, E; *ic ðe to...nu to*
heofonum] om. E. 159) *gesceafta*] *gescæfta*, E; *þe*] *þæt*, Sk;
synd] *syndon*, C. 160) *hi*] *hio*, E; *gesceop*] *gescop*, E. 161)
forhta] *forhte*, C; *ðysum*] *ðeos=sum*, E. 162) *feondlican*]
feondlicum, E; *cwellerere*] *cwelleran*, C; *ac underfoh*] ȝ
underfoh, C; *deað*] *dead*, E. 163) *ic ðe eft*] *ic \ðe/ eft*, E. 164)
eadignysse] *eadignesse*, C & E; *heom*] *hi\eo/m* with 'i'
 subpuncted, J, *him*, C & E. 165) *clypode*] *clepude*, C;
cwellerum] *cwelleran*, C; *þus*] om. C & E. 166) *Hwæs*]
Hwæt, E; *andbidige*] *anbidige*, C; *ge*] om. E; *gehyrsum*]
gehersum, E. 167) *cyninges*] *cyninges*, C, E, & Sk.

þurh Moysen. ḡ þu manfulla cyning þinre modignyssse
 scealt soðlice on Godes dome susle ðrowian. Ic sylle min
 170 agen lif ḡ minne lichaman samod for Godes gesetnyssum,
 swa swa mine six gebroðra. ḡ ic clypige to Gode þæt he
 urum cynne gemiltsige ḡ þæt he do mid witum þæt ðu
 wite þæt he is ana God!"

þa wearð se cynincg wælhreow þam cnihte ofer ealle
 175 þa oðre þa he ær acwealde for ðære forsewennysse. ḡ se
 gesæliga cniht, on þam teartum witum, gewat þa of life
 mid fullum geleafan; ḡ seo geleaffulle modor wearð eac
 acweald ætforan þam cyninge, æfter hire seofon sunum,
 gesæliglice for Gode.

180 Pyssera martyra gemynd is on Hlafmæssan dæg, swa
 wide swa Godes þeowas Godes þenunge gymað. Manega
 halgan wæron under Moyses æ, ac we nabbað heora
 gemynd mid nanum mæssedæge, butan þyssera
 gebroðra þe swa bealdlice ðrowodon.

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We wyllað eac awritan hu þæt gewinn geendode, ḡ hu
 se ælmihtiga God þa arleasan afluxide mid mycelre
 sceame, swa swa us sægð seo racu.

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168) *manfulla*] *manfulle*, C; *modignysses*] *modignesse*, C. 169)
sylle] *selle*, C & E; *min*] *mid*, C. 170) *lichaman*] *lichoman*,
 E; *gesetnyssum*] *gesetnessum*, C. 171) *gebroðra*] *gebroðro*, E.
 172) *gemiltsige*] *gemildsige*, E; *he do*] *do he*, C. 174) *cynincg*]
cyning, C & E. 175) *oðre þa*] om. C, *obre þe*, E; *acwealde*]
cwealde, E; *forsewennysse*] *forsewennesse*, C. 176) *gesæliga*]
gesælige, E. 177) *seo*] *sio*, E; *geleaffulle*] *gelefulle*, E. 178) *hire*]
biora, E; *seofon*] *seofan*, C. 180) *Pyssera*] *þysra*, C. 181)
þenunge] *þenunga*, C, *þegnunge*, E; *gymað*] *gemað*, C,
gy^ȝe/máð, E. 183) *mæssedæge*] *mæssandæge*, E; *butan*] *buton*,
 C & E; *þyssera*] *þyssere^ȝa/* with the second 'e' being
 subpuncted, J, *þissa*, C. 185) *II*] om. J; *ITEM*] om. C &
 E. 186) *gewinn*] *gewin*, C & E.

- Mathathias wæs gehaten, sum heah Godes þægn, se
 190 hæfde fif suna full cene mid him. An hatte Iohannes,
 oðer Symon, ðridda Iudas, feorða Eleazarus, fifta
 Ionathas, binnan Hierusalem. Þas bemændan sarlice
 mid swyðlicre heofunge þæt hi swylce yrmðe gesawon
 on heora life, Ȑ noldon abugan to Ȑam bysmorfullan
 195 hæðenscipe. Ȑa asende se cynincg to Ȑam foresædan
 Ȑegene Ȑ het hi ealle bugan to his blindum godum, Ȑ
 him lac offrian Ȑ forlætan Godes æ. Ac Mathathias nolde
 þam manfullan gehyran, ne Godes æ forgægan, for his
 gramlican Ȑreate.
- 200 Efne, þa eode on heora eallra gesihðe an Iudeisc mann
 to þam deofolgilde, Ȑ geoffrode his lac swa swa
 Antiochus het. Hwæt, Ȑa Mathathias on mode wearð
 geangsumod, Ȑ ræsde to Ȑam were þe Ȑær wolde offrian
 Ȑ ofsloh hine sona, Ȑ siððan þone oðerne, þæs
 205 cynincges Ȑegn, þe hine Ȑærto neadode. Ȑ towarp þæt
 deofolgild Ȑ wearð him awege. Clypode þa hlude: ‘Ælc
 þe geleafan hæbbe Ȑ Godes æ recce, gange him to me!’
 He fleah Ȑa to westene, Ȑ fela manna mid him mid
 anrædum mode, Ȑ Ȑa manfullan forsawon.

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189) *wæs*] *w\æ/es*, C; *þægn*] *þegen*, C & E. 190) *suna*] *sunu*,
 E; *full*] *ful\l/*, J, *ful*, C, E, & Sk. 191) *ðridda*] *ðridde\a/*
 with ‘e’ subpuncted, J. 192) *binnan*] *binna*, E; *bemændan*
bemændon], C & E. 193) *swyðlicre*] *swiðlicere*, E; *hi*] *hio*, E.
 194) *heora*] *hiora*, E; *bysmorfullan*] *bysmorfullum*, C & E.
 195) *asende*] *asænde*, C; *cynincg*] *cyning*, C & E; *foresædan*
forensædan, C. 196) *Ȑegene*] *þegne*, E; *hi*] *hio*, E; *bugan*
gebugan, C. 198) *manfullan*] *manfullum*, C; *for*] *fram*, E.
 199) *gramlican*] *gramlicen*, C. 200) *eallra*] *ealra*, C, om.
 E; *Iudeisc mann*] *Iudeisc man*, C, *iudisc man*, E. 201)
deofolgilde] *diofolgilde*, E. 202) *Antiochus*] *antiochius*, E.
 203) *geangsumod*] *geancsumod*, E; *ræsde*] *resde*, E. 204)
offrian] *geoffrian*, C & E. 205) *cynincges*] *cyninges*, C & E;
Ȑegn] *þegen*, C & E. 208) *Ȑa to*] \ða/ to, J; *westene*] *westenne*,
 E; *fela*] *feala*, E.

210 Þa asende se cynincg him sona æfter mycele meniu
 to þam widgillum muntum þær hi flocmælum ferdon
 mid heora hiwum. Þa wearð þær ofslagen sum dæl þæs
 folces þe on fylene wæs fram Mathathian, forðan þe hi
 215 noldon feohton on þam freolsdæge, ac leton hi ofslean
 on unscæððignysse. Þæt werod weox ða swyðe þe wæs
 mid Mathathian, ḡ hi anrædlice fuhton, ḡ afluxdon ða
 hæðenan mid mycelre strængðe, þe modegodon
 ongean God. Mathathias þa ferde mid his maga fultume,
 220 ḡ ehte þæra hæþenra, ḡ mid ealle adræfde. ḡ Godes æ
 arærde, ḡ him eac God fylste.

He ealdode þa ḡ his ende genealæhte. ḡ lærde his
 suna mid geleafan ḡ cwæð: ‘Onginnað nu þegenlice nu
 eow þearf mycel is; ḡ syllæð eower agen lif for ðære
 225 soðfæstan æ ḡ for ura fædera cyðnysse. Hit cymð eow to
 wuldre! Beoð gemyndige nu, mine bearn, hu se mæra
 Abraham on mycelre costnunge Gode wæs getrywe, ḡ
 him com þæt to rihtwysnysse. Eallswa Ioseph, ḡ Hiesus
 Naue, Dauid ḡ Danihel, ḡ ealle ða þe on God truwodon,
 wurdon æfre getrymde for heora trywðe wið hine. Beoð
 230 nu gehyrte, ḡ gehihtað on God ḡ healdað mid ðegenscype

210) *asende*] *asænde*, E; *cynincg*] *cyning*, C & E. 211) *hi]*
hio, E. 212) *wearð*] *wear*, C; *ofslagen*] *ofslægen*, E. 213)
Mathathian] *Ma\tha\thian*, J, *Mathathiam*, C; *hi]* *hio*, E.
215) *unscæððignysse*] *unsceþþinysse*, C; *werod*] *weorod*, E. 216)
Mathathian] *mathathiam*, C; *anrædlice*] *andrædlice*, E. 217)
strængðe] *stræn\g/ðe*, J, *strengðe*, C, *strægðe*, E; *modgodon*]
modgoden, E. 218) *ongean*] *ongæn*, E. 219) *þæra*] *þara*, E;
adræfde] *todræfde*, C & E. 220) *ende*] *ænde*, E; *genealæhte*]
nealæhte, C. 222) *suna*] *sunu*, C & E. 223) *mycel is*] *is*
mycel, E; *syllað*] *sellæð*, C & E. 224) *ura*] *ure*, C, E, & Sk;
cymð] *cumþ*, C. 225) *Beoð gemyndige nu*] *Bioð nu gemyndige*,
E; *mæra*] *mære*, C. 226) *Gode*] *godes*, E (see notes); *getrywe*]
getwiwe, E. 227) *rihtwysnysse*] *rihtwisnesse*, C; *eallswa*] *ealswa*,
C & E; *Ioseph*] *iøsep*, C & E; *Hiesus*] *iesus*, C, *iesu*, E.
228) *Dauid*] *dauit*, E; *Danihel*] *daniel*, C & E; *truwodon*]
truwdon, C, *truwe\o/don* with ‘e’ subpuncted, E. 229) *heora*]
hiora, E; *trywðe*] *treowðe*, C.

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ða halgan Godes æ; forðan þe ge beoð wuldorfulle on hire. Ne forhtige ge, ic bidde, for ðæs fyrnfullan þreatum, forðan þe his wuldor is wyrms ȝ meox. Nu, todæg, he modegað; ȝ tomergen he ne bið. He awent to
 235 eorðan ȝ his gedoht forwyrð. Eower broðor Symon is snotor ȝ rædfæst. He bið eow for fæder; folgiað his rædum. Iudas Machabeus is mihtig ȝ strang. Beo he eower ealdor on ælcum gefeohte. ȝ gaderiað eow to þa þe Godes æ lufiað, ȝ wrecað eower folc on ðam fulum
 240 hæðenum ȝ healdað Godes æ on godum biggengum!

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He bletsode ða his suna, ȝ swa gewat of life. ȝ his lic wæs bebyriged on his agenre byrig, ȝ Israhel hine beweop on þa ealdan wisan.

III.

245 Hwæt, ða Iudas Machabeus mihtiglice aras on his fæder stede ȝ wiðstod his feondum. ȝ his feower gebroðra him fylston anrædlice, ȝ ealle ða þe wæron wunigende mid his fæder, ȝ fuhton ða mid blisse ȝ afluxdon þa hæþenan. Iudas ða hine gescrydde mid his scinendan
 250 byrnan, swa swa ormæte ent, ȝ hine ealne gewæpnode, ȝ his fyrdे bewerode wið his fynd mid his swurde. He

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231) *forðan*] *forðan forðan*, E; *wuldorfulle*] *wulderfulle*, C.
 232) *forhtige*] *fohtige*. C; *ge*] om. E. 233) *forðan*] *fordon*, E;
wyrms] *wyrm*, C. 234) *todæg*] *todæge*, E; *modegað*] *modigað*,
 C; *tomergen*] *tome\r/gen*, J, *tomergan*, E. 235) *gedoht*] *goda
þoht*, E. 236) *snotor*] *snoter*, E; *bið*] *beoð*, C; *for*] om. E.
 238) *ealdor*] *aldor*, E. 240) *biggengum*] *biggengum*, C. 241)
suna] *sunu*, E. 242) *wæs*] *wearð*, E; *bebyriged*] *bebyrged*, C
 & E; *agenre*] *agenne*, E; *Israhel*] *israel*, C. 244) .III.] om.
 J. 245) *mihtiglice*] *mihtelice*, C, *mihtlice*, E. 247) *wunigende*]
wuniende, C. 248) *mid blisse*] *bl mid blisse* with the first ‘bl’
 subpuncted, C. 249) *Iudas*] *Iuda*, C; *gescrydde*] *gescylde*,
 C. 251) *fyrdē*] *ferde*, C & E; *wið his*] *wið \bis/*, J, *wið*, C;
fynd] *feondum*, C & E; *mid his swurde...þa leon gelic*] om.
 C; *swurde*] *sweorde*, E.

wearð þa leon gelic on his gewinnum ɿ dædum; ɿ
todræfde þa arleasan ɿ his eðel gerymde. His fynd þa
flugon afyrhte for him, ɿ ealle ða yfelwycendan wurdon
255 gedræfde. ɿ se hæl wearð gesped on Iudan handum ða,
ɿ he geblissode his cynn, þe wæs gecweden Iacob, ɿ
his hlisa þa asprang to þam yttemestan landum.

Da gegaderode Appollonius, sum gramlie heretoga, of
Samarian byrig swyðlice fyrde ɿ, of manegum ðeodum,
260 menn to gefeohte togeanes Israel ɿ Iudan mægðe. Ac
Iudas him com to, ɿ acwealde hine sona ɿ fela his
folces, ɿ ða oðre ætflugon. Iudas ða gelæhte þæs
Appollonies swurd, þæt wæs mærlic wæpn, ɿ he wann
mid þam on ælcum gefeohte on eallum his life.

265 Eft, ða wæs sum heretoga, gehaten Seron, on Syrian
lande. Se cwað to his leode: 'Ic wille wyrcan me naman,
ɿ oferwinnan Iudan ɿ þa ðe him mid synd þe forsawon
ðone cyning!' He gesamnode þa his fyrde, ɿ ferde mid
prasse to Iudea lande, ɿ fela leoda mid him. Iudas þa
270 him com to ɿ his geferan cwaðon: 'Hu mage we, þus
feawa, feohtan ongean ðas meniu, nu we synd gewæhte
mid gewinne ɿ meteleaste?'

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252) *leon*] *leone*, E. 253) *fynd*] *feond*, E. 254) *yfelwycendan*]
yfelwycenden, E; *wurdon*] *wurdan*, E. 255) *se*] *se\o/*, J;
handum] *bandan*, C. 256) *geblissode his*] *geblessode þa his*,
E; *cynn*] *cyn*, C & E. 257) *þa*] om. E; *yttemestam*,
C; *landum*] *lande\um/* with 'e' subpuncted, J, *lande*, C &
E. 258) *gegaderode*] *gaderode*, C; *Appollonius*] *apollonius*,
C & E; *gramlic*] *grimlic*, E. 259) *Samarian*] *samarigan*,
C; *fyrde*] *ferde*, C; *ðeodum*] *þiodum*, E. 260) *menn*] *men*,
C & E; *Israel*] *israel*, E. 261) *fela*] *feala*, E. 263) *Appollonies*]
apollonies, E; *mærlic*] *mærlice*, C; *wann*] *wan*, C & E. 265)
gehaten] *gehate\a/n* with second 'e' subpuncted, E; *Syrian*]
syrien, C. 267) *of erwinnan*] *of erwinnon*, C; *þe*] *þa*, E. 268)
fyrde] *ferde*, C. 269) *fela*] *feola*, C, *feala*, E; *leoda*] *leode\a/*
with the second 'e' subpuncted, J, *leode*, E; *Iudas þa him*]
Iudas him ða, E. 270) *mage*] *magon*, E. 271) *feawa*] *feawe*,
C, *feawæ*, E; *feohtan*] *fíhtan*, E; *nu we synd...gewinne ɿ*
meteleaste] om. E.

Iudas heom andwyrde anrædlice ȝ cwað: ‘Nis nan
 earfoðnyss ðam ælmihtigan Gode, on feawum mannum
 275 oððe on micclum werode, to helpenne on gefeohte ȝ
 healdan þa ðe he wile; forðan þe se sige bið symle of
 heofonum. Ðas cumað to us swylce hi cenran syndon
 ðonne we ȝ willað us fordon ȝ awestan ure land. We
 280 soðlice feohtað for us sylfe wið hi, ȝ for Godes æ, ȝ God
 hi eac fordeð ætforan ure gesihðe; ne forhtige ge
 nateshwon!’

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Æfter ðyssere spræce hi eodon togædere, ȝ Iudas ða
 afligde þone foresædan Seron ȝ his here samod mid
 swyðlicre bylde. ȝ ðær wurdon ofslagene eahta hund
 285 wera, ȝ ða oðre ætflugon to Philistea lande. Iudan ege ða
 asprang wide geond land, ȝ his gebroðra oga ofer ealle
 ða hæðenan; ȝ ealle þeoda spræcon hu ðegenlice hi
 fuhton. Iudea land wæs ða lange butan cyninge on eallum
 þy whole gewinnung; ac hi werode Iudas, ȝ eft his gebroðra
 290 æfter his geendunge.

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Hwæt, ða wearð gecydd þam cyninge Antioche embe
 273) *beom*] *hi\eo/m* with ‘i’ subpuncted, J, him, E & Sk.
 274) *earfoðnyss*] *earfoðnys*, C & E; *mannum*] *monnum*, E.
 275) *micclum*] *myclum*, E; *helpenne*] *helpanne*, E. 276) *symle*]
symble, C. 277) *heofonum*] *heofenum*, C; *syndon*] *synde*, C,
synd, E. 278) *ðonne we*] \ðonne wel/, J, om. C, E, & Sk.
 279) *sylfe*] *selfe*, C & E. 280) *ætforan*] *ætforen*, C; *forhtige*]
fortig, C; *ge*] om. E. 282) *ðyssere*] *bisre*, C; *hi*] *hio*, E; ȝ]
and, E. 283) *foresædan*] *foresædon*, C; *his*] *hi[Js*, J; *here*
samod] L starts. 284) *wurdon*] *wundon*, C; *swyðlicre*]
swiðlicere, E; *ofslagene*] *ofslægene*, E. 285) *oðre*] *oðra*, C.
 286) ða *asprang*] *asprang* ða, L; *land*] *lan\ld/*, E. 287) *þeoda*]
þa þeoda, E; *ealle*] *ealla*, L; *hi*] *hio*, E. 288) *butan*] *buton*,
 C & E; *cyninge*] *kyninge*, L. 289) *þy whole*] *þisum*, E;
gewinnung] \ge\winnum, J; *hi*] *hio*, E; *werode*] *were\o/de*,
 E. 290) *geendunge*] *geændunge*, E. 291) *III*] om. J, III, L.
 292) *gecydd*] *gecyd*, C & L; *cyninge*] *cynge*, L; *Antioche*]
antiochie, E; *embe*] *ymbe*, C.

Iudan sige, ⁊ he geswearc ða on mode. ⁊ sende ða his
 here mid anum heahþegne, Lisias gehaten, on Iudea
 295 lande. On ðære fyrde wæron feowertig þusenda ⁊ seofon
 þusenda swyðe gewæpnode, ⁊ comon ða mid þrymme to
 Iudeiscum cynne. Iudas þa gehyrte his geferan mid
 wordum ⁊ fæston ænne dæg, fultumes biddende æt þam
 ælmihtigan Gode þæt he hi gemundian sceolde, ⁊ his
 300 halige templ gehealdan wið þa hæðenan. Hi ferdon ða
 gehyrte to þam gefeohte werd, ⁊ Iudas eft ða spræc to
 eallum his geferum: ‘Beoð ymbgyrde stranglice to þysum
 stiðan gewinne, forðan þe us is selre þæt we sweltan on
 gefeohte, þonne ðas yrmðe geseon on urum cynne ðus,
 305 ⁊ on urum haligdome. Ac swa swa se heofonlica God wylle
 don be us, gewurðe hit swa! Beoð gemyndige hu
 mihtiglice he ahredde ure fæderas iu wið Pharao þone
 kyning on ðære Readan Sæ, on þære ðe he besanc to
 grunde.

310 ‘Uton clypian to heofonum, þæt God ure helpe ⁊
 tobryte þisne here, þæt þa hæðenan tocnavon þæt nis
 nan oðer God þe Israel alyse.’ Machabeus þa
 genealæhte mid lytlum werode (þæt wæron ðreo

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293) geswearc] *gesw\ærc*, J; *on mode*] *on his mode*, E; *sende*] *sænde*, E. 294) *heahþegne*] *heahþegene*, C & L; *on*] *to*, C, E, & L. 295) *seofon*] *seofan*, E. 296) *comon*] *comā\o/n*, E. 299) *gemundian*] *mundian*, C; *sceolde*] *scolde*, E. 300) *gehealdan*] *\ge/healdan*, J, *healdan*, C, E, L, & Sk. 301) *werd*] *weard*, E & L. 302) *ymbgyrde*] *embgyrde*, L; *stranglice*] *stranlice*, C. 303) *stiðan*] *stiðum*, C & L, om. E; *swelton*] *swyltan*, L. 305) *haligdome*] *halidome*, L; *se heofonlica*] *ðe heofenlica*, L. 306) *bit*] *b\i/t*, E. 307) *mihtiglice*] *mihtelice*, L; *ahredde*] *aredde*, E; *fæderas*] *fæderes*, C. 308) *kyning*] *cyning*, C, E, & L; *ðe*] om. C, E, & L. 310) *Uton*] *Uto*, E. 311) *tobryte*] *tobryce*, E; *tocnavon*] *tocwawan*, C, *tocnawa\o/n*, E with second ‘e’ subpuncted, *tocnawan*, L. 312) *oðer*] *oðær*, L; *Israel*] *israel*, C, *israhe*, E; *alyse*] *alesde*, E. 313) *lytlum*] *micclum*, E; *werode*] *weorode*, E.

315 þusend) þe him ða gelæstan wolde. Hi bleowan þa heora byman ȝ bealdlice fuhton, oðþat þa hæðenan flugon to fyrlenum landum, ȝ Iudas hi todræfde swa swa deor to wuda. Þær wurdon ofslagene sume þreo þusend, ȝ Iudas þa funde, þa ða he fram fyrde gecyrde, gold ȝ seolfor, godeweb ȝ purpuran, ȝ fela oðre herereaf on 320 þam fyrdwicum. ȝ hi þancodon ða Gode eallre his godnyses.

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Eft on ðam oþrum geare, geanlæhte Lisias fif ȝ sixtig þusenda fyrdendra þegen ȝ wolde oferfeohtan þæt Iudeisce folc. Iudas ða Machabeus micclum on God 325 truwode, ȝ ferde him togeanes mid þam folce þe he hæfde (þæt wæron twelf þusend wigendra manna), ȝ Iudas hine gebæd þa ȝ bletsode his scyppend: ‘Gebletsod eart ðu, ælmihtig Israhela hælend, þu ðe tobryttest iu þone breman here on Dauides handum. Tobryt nu ðas 330 hæðenan on þines folces handum ȝ mid fyrhte geegsa. Alege hi mid swurdum ðe lufigendra, þæt ealle þe

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314) ða] om. C; wolde] woldon, C & L, woldeon with ‘e’ subpuncted, E; He] Heo, E; bleowan] bleowa\o/n, E. 315) byman] beman, C & E; bealdlice] beald, E. 316) hi] hio, E; todræfde] dræfde, C & E, todrefde, L. 317) ofslagene] ofslægene, E, ða ofslagene, L; þusend] þusenda, C, E, & L. 318) ða] om. E; fram] fram þære, L. 319) seolfor] seolfer, L; godeweb] godweb, C & L, god\æ/web, E; fela] feala, E. 320) þam] ða, E; hi] hio, E; þancodon] þancadan, E & L; ða] om. L; eallre] ealra, C, E, & L. 321) godnysse] godnessa, C, godnyssa, L. 322) oþrum] oðre, C; geare] gære, E. 323) þusenda] þusende\a/ with the second ‘e’ subpuncted; fyrdendra] fyrdynbra, C, E, & L; þegen] þegna, C; wolde] woldo, C. 324) micclum] mid mycclum, C; myclum, E. 326) þusend] þusenda, L. 327) scyppend] sceppend, C ȝ E. 328) ælmihtig] om. L; þu] þa, E; tobryttest] tobrytest, C. 329) breman] bremen, C. 330) geegsa] geegse\a/ with the third ‘e’ subpuncted, J, geegesa, C. 331) hi] þa, E; ðe] þu, E; lufigendra] lifigendra god, E, lufiendra, L.

herian þe gehyrað þinne naman!"

Hi slogan þa togædere unslawe mid wæpnum, ȝ þær feollon ða hæþenan fif ðusend ofslagene; ȝ Lisias fleah 335 mid þære fyrdlafe. Þa cwæð Iudas to his geferum þæt he ða fylðe wolde adon of þam Godes temple, þe se gramlica Antiochus þær aræran het on hæðene wisan. ȝ hi ferdon ða to, ȝ þa fylðe adydon ut of ðam Godes huse ȝ 340 Godes lof arærdon æfter Moyses æ mid mycelre blysse, ȝ offrodon Gode heora lac mid geleafan ȝ sange.

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Iudas ða hine bewende ȝ wan wið ða hæðenan, forðan ðe hi woldon awestan þa Iudeiscan. Ac Iudas hi oferfeaht ȝ aflymde hi æfre, ȝ heora burga forbernde ȝ hi to 345 bysmore tawode. Efne, ða on sumum dæge, sende man to Iudan ærendgewritu fram Israhela ðeode; ȝ cyddon þæt þa hæþenan hæfdon hi besetene ȝ ofslagen hæfdon sum þusend manna. Eac, on oðre healfe, him comon 350 ærendracan to of Galileiscum lande, heora lifes orwene, ȝ cyddon þæt ða hæðenan him comon to gehwanon, ȝ

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332) *herian*] *herion*, C & L, *heria\o/n* with the ‘a’ subpuncted, E; *gehyrað*] *geherað*, E; *naman*] *noman*, E.
 333) *Hi*] *Hio*, E; *slogen*] *slogan*, E; *þær*] om. E. 334) *ofslagene*] *ofslægene*, E; *Lisias*] *Lysius*, E. 335) *fyrdlafe*] *fyrdlafæ*, C. 336) *þam*] *ðæm*, E. 337) *gramlica*] *gramlice*, C & E; *Antiochus*] *antiochius*, E. 339) *æfter*] *æfterl*, L; *Moyses*] *moyse*, C. 340) *heora*] \heora/, J, om. C, E, L, & Sk. 341) *V*] om. J & L. 342) *ða*] *hine þa*, E; *wan*] *wann*, E & L. 343) *hi woldon*] *hio woldon*, E; ȝ] *and*, E. 344) *aflymde*] *aflemdæ*, C & E; *forbernde*] *forberndæ*, C, *forbærnde*, E, *bærnde*, L; *hi*] *hio*, E. 345) *bysmore*] *by\smore*, J, *bismære*, C; *tawode*] *tucode*, E & L; *Efne*] *Æfre*, C, .V. *Efne*, L; *sende*] *sænde*, C & E. 346) *Iudan*] *iudam*, C; *ðeode*] *þeoda*, C. 347) *hi*] *hio*, E; *hi besetene* ȝ *ofslagen hæfdon*] om. C. 348) *healfe*] *healfæ*, C. 349) *ærendracan*] *ærandracon*, E; *heora*] *hiora*, E. 350) *comon*] *coman*, E; *gehwanon*] *gewhonan*, E.

woldon hi fordon Ȑ adilegian heora eard.

- Iudas ȏa befran his geferan r  des Ȑ cw  d to Simone,
his gesceadwisan br  per: ‘Geceos ȏe nu fultum, Ȑ far to
Galilea, Ȑ gehelp ȏinum magum ȏe ȏa manfullan besitta  .
355 Ic Ȑ Ionathas, min gingra bro  or, fara   to Galaa   to
afligenne ȏa h  denan.’ He gesette ȏa heafodmenn to
gehealdenne ȏet folc, Ȑ bead ȏet hi ne ferdon to
nanum gefeohte ongean ȏa h  denan o  þet he ham
come. Simon ȏa genam ȏre ȏusend mid him; Ȑ Iudas Ȑ
360 Ionathas, eahta ȏusenda. Ȑ Symon feaht gelome Ȑ
aflymde ȏa h  denan, Ȑ his magas ahredde wi   heora
re  nysse Ȑ to lande gebrohte mid mycelre blisse.

- Iudas eac ferde ofer Iordanen ȏa ea, geond ȏet
widgille w  sten, Ȑ gewylde ȏa h  denan. He com ȏa to
365 anre byrig, Bosor gehaten, on ȏare w  ron ȏa h  denan
þe hyndon his magas. ȏa he ealle ofsloh mid swurdes
ecge, Ȑ ontende ȏa burh Ȑ tengde him for   sy  dan.
Efne, ȏ  s on mergen, him com swa mycel mennisc to
370 ȏet nan mann ne mihte ȏa meniu geriman; Ȑ begunnon
to feohtenne f  stlice mid cr  fte, Ȑ nyston ȏet
Machabeus mid ȏam mannum w  s. ȏa ȏa Iudas gehyrde

351) *hi*] *bio*, E; *adilegian*] *adylgian*, C, *adiligian*, E. 352)
Iudas] *Iuda*, C; *befran*] *befram* with third minim of ‘m’
subpuncted, C. 353) *gesceadwisan breper*] *gescadwisan bro  per*,
E. 354) *gehelyp*] *help*, C. 355) *gingra*] *ginra*, E; *bro  or*] *bro  der*,
E; *Gala  d*] *galaad*, C, E, & L. 356) *afligenne*] *flegenne*, E;
h  denan] *h  ben*, C; *gesette*] *sette*, C & E, om. L;
heafodmenn] *heafodmen*, C, E, & L. 357) *gehealdenne*]
gehealden  n/e, C, *gehealdene*, E; *hi*] *bio*, E. 360) *Ionathas*]
ionathe  a/s with the ‘e’ subpuncted, E. 361) *aflymde*] *flemde*,
E; *ahredde*] *ahnedde*, C. 362) *re  nysse*] *re  nesse*, C. 364)
w  sten] *westen*, C & E, *west  n*, L; *gewylde*] *gefelde*, E. 366)
hyndon] *hy  ndon*, E. 367) *ontende*] *on  ld  *, L; *tengde*]
tengde, C, E, & L. 368) *mergen*] *morgen*, C, E, & L. 369)
ȏet nan] *feohtenne* *ȏet nan* with ‘feohtenne’ subpuncted,
C; *mann*] *man*, C, E, & L; *meniu*] *m  niu*, E, *menigu*, L.
370) *to feohtenne f  stlice*] *ha to feohtanne f  rlice*, E. 371)
ȏam] *  an*, C; *mannum*] *manna*, L.

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þæra hæðenra gehlyd ȝ þæs feohtes hream, þa ferde he
 him hindan to mid ȝrym scyldtruman ȝ sloh ða hæðenan,
 oðþæt hi oncneowon þæt se cena Iudas him wiðfeohtende
 375 wæs. ȝ wendon ða to horsum; wiston þæt hi ne mihton
 Machabeo wiðstandan. On þam gefeohte wurdon eahta
 ȝusend wera ofslagene þæs hæðenan folces, ȝ ða oþre
 ætflugon. Iudas ða ferde feohtende wið þa hæðenan, ȝ
 heora burga forbærnde, ȝ hi bysmorlice ofsloh.

380 ȝa com Timotheus, sum cene heretoga, mid ormætre
 fyrde, ȝ gesæt æt anum forda. Ac Iudas him com to caflice
 mid wæpnum, ȝ oferferdon ȝone ford ȝ fuhton wið þa
 385 hæþenan, swa swa his gewuna wæs, oðþæt hi wendon
 him fram ȝ heora wæpna awurpon, ȝ gewendon to anre
 byrig. Ac Iudas hi forbærnde, ȝ þa burh samod. He genam
 ȝa his magas of ȝam manfullan, mid wifum ȝ mid
 cildrum, ȝ gewendon him ham.

390 ȝa wæs þær an mycel burh on heora wege middan, ȝ
 næs nanes mannes fær on naþre healfé þære byrig, buton
 ȝurh þæt port. ȝ hi bædon ȝa georne, þæt hi mid friðe
 moston faran þurh ȝa burh þe hi forbugan ne mihton. Ac
 ȝa burhware noldon þæs færes heom getyðian, ac

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372) *þæra*] *þara*, E; *feohtes*] *gefeohtes*, C & E, *folces*, L. 373) *scyldtruman*] *scyldtrumum*, C & L, *sceldtruman*, E. 374) *oðþæt*] *of þæt*, C; *oncneowon*] *oncneowan*, E; *cena*] *cene*, E & L; *him*] *biom*, E. 375) *hi*] *hio*, E. 377) *ȝusend*] *þusenda*, C & E; *ofslagene*] *ofslægene*, E; *hæðenan*] *hæðenes*, L. 378) *hæðenan*] *hæðenan folces*, E. 379) *hi*] *hio*, E. 381) *fyrde*] *ferde*, E; *forda*] *forde*, E. 382) *wæpnum*] *wænum*, L; *oferferdon*] *oferferde*, C. 383) *hi*] *hio*, E. 384) *heora*] *hiora*, E; *gewendon*] *gewændon*, C. 385) *byrig*] *byrih*, C. 386) *manfullan*] *manfullum*, C & L. 387) *cildrum*] *cildum*, C, E, & L; *gewendon*] *gewendan*, C, *gewende*, E & L. 388) *on*] *an on*, C. 389) ȝ *næs nanes*] ȝ *nannes*, C; *naþre*] *nanre*, E; *buton*] *butan*, L. 390) *hi bædon*] *hio þa bædon* with ‘þa’ subpuncted, E; *hi mid*] *hio mid*, E. 391) *hi forbugan*] *hio forbugo\a/n*, E. 392) *burhware*] *burhwara*, C & L; *noldon*] *noldan*, L; *heom*] *hi\eo/m* with ‘i’ subpuncted, J, *him*, C, L, E & Sk.

betyn³⁹³don þa gata mid micclum weorcstanum, ⁊ truwodon to þam wealle. Þa ne mihte Iudas meteleas
 395 þær abidan, ac het abre³⁹⁴can þone weall, þeah þe he brad wäre. Eodon ða ealle inn, ⁊ ofslogon ealle ða hæðenan ⁊ aweston ða burh. ⁊ wendon him hamwerd, oþþet hi comon ansunde to lande; ⁊ geoffrodon heora lac þam lifigendan Gode, þancigende his gescyldnysse, þæt hi
 400 ealle gesunde comon eft to heora earde of swa micelre frecednysse. Ac heora geferan æt ham fuhton unwærlice wið þa hæþenan leoda, ofer Iudan leafe, þa hwile ðe he ute wæs; ⁊ wurdon ða ofslagene wel fela manna ða ða hi fuhton buton wisdome.

405 Seo æftre boc us sægð þæt hi on sumne sæl fuhton; þa wurdon hi sume beswicene mid gitsunge, swa þæt hi feoh naman ⁊ fracodlice behyddan on heora bosmum, of ðam deofollicum biggengum ongean Godes æ. ⁊ hi ealle ðær feollon, þe þæt feoh behyddon on ðam gefeohte,

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393) betyndon] betynden, L; gata] gatu, C; micclum] miclum, E. 394) truwodon] truuwūðo/don with second 'u' subpuncted, E. 395) abidan] abidon, L; abre³⁹⁴can] tobrecan, C, E, & L; weall] weal, C. 396) inn] in, C; ofslogon] ofslogan, E; ealle] om. C, E, ⁊ L. 397) wendon] awændon, C; hamwerd] hamweard, E & L. 398) geoffrodon] offrodeon with 'e' being subpuncted, E, geofrodon, L. 399) lifigendan] lifiendan, C & E, ælmichtigan, L; þancigende] þanciende, E; gescyldnysse] gescyldnesse, C; hi] he, E. 400) gesunde] gesund, E; heora] heara, E. 401) frecednysse] frecednesse, C, fræcednysse, E; geferan] gefera, C; fuhton] fuhtan, L. 402) leoda] leodea with the second 'e' subpuncted, E; hwile] wħile, L. 403) wurdon ða] wurdon þær, C, E, & L; ofslagene] \of\slage\n/ne, E; bi] hio, E. 404) buton] butan, C. 405) æftre] æftere, E; sæcð] segð, C & L. 406) hi sume] hio sume, E; beswicene] besmitene, E; hi feoh] heo feoh, E. 407) naman] namon, L; behyddon] behydden, L; bosmum] bosman, L. 408) deofollicum] deofellicum, C & L; biggengum] biggengum, C & L; bi] hio, E. 409) ðær] þa, C; feollon] feollan, E & L

410 ofslagene, ⁊ heora geferan fundon þæt feoh on heora
bosnum. ⁊ cwædon þæt God sylf geswutelode heora
unriht, ⁊ heredon Godes dom þe heora digle
geopenode.

Iudas gegaderode ða godne dæl feos (þæt wæron
415 twelf þusend scyllinga, eall hwites seolfres), ⁊ sende to
Hierusalem for heora synnum to offrigenne heora sawle
to alysednysse, þe ðær ofslagene wæron—æwfæstlice
understandende be ure ealra æriste. Buton he gelyfde
þæt hi, after langum fyrste, of deaðe arisan sceoldon,
420 þe ðær ofslagene wæron, elles he offrode on idel his lac.
Ac he soðlice besceawode þæt ða ðe mid soðre
arfæstnysse on deaþe geendiað, þæt hi mid drihtne
habbað þa selestan gife on þam soðan life. Hit is halig
geðoht, ⁊ halwende to gebiddenne for ðam forðfarendum,
425 þæt hi fram synnum beon alysede!

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Hit sægð on þære æftran bec Machabeorum þus, þæt
Timotheus (ðe ær fleah æt ðam forda fram Iudan), þæt

410) *feoh*] *facn*, C, E, & L. 411) *bosnum*] *bosmen*, L; *sylf*]
self, C; *geswutelode*] *geswutelude*, C, *geswutulode*, E. 412)
digele] *digele*, C. 413) *geopenode*] *geopena\o/de* with ‘a’
subpuncted, E. 414) *gegaderode ða*] *gegadera\o/de ða*, E, *ða*
gegaderode, L. 415) *eall*] *eal*, C; *sende*] *sænde*, C. 416)
offrigenne] *offrienne*, E, *ofrigenne*, L. 417) *wæron*] *wæro*, E;
æwfæstlice] *eawfæstlice*, C, E, & L. 418) *understandende*]
understandenne, E; *ealra*] *ealre\a/* with the second ‘e’
subpuncted, J, *eallra*, E; *Buton*] *buta*, E. 419) *hi*] *hio*, E;
fyrste] *furste*, L; *arisan*] *arison*, E. 422) *arfæstnysse*]
ærfaestnesse, C & L; *geendiað*] *geändiað*, E. 423) *þa selestan*]
þa selostan, C, *da selostan*, L. 424) *gebiddenne*] *gebidda\e/\nne* with ‘a’ subpuncted, E; *forðfarendum*] *forðfarenum*,
C, E, & L. 425) *alysede*] *alyse[]de*, E. 426) *VI*] om. J.
427) *sægð*] *segð*, C & L. 428) *ær*] *her*, E; *forda*] *forde*, C &
L, *fordea* with ‘e’ subpuncted, E; *Iudan*] *iudam*, C.

he eft gegaderode oþerne here him to, ⁊ wolde mid
 430 wæpnum gewyldan þa Iudeiscan, ⁊ com ða mid fyrde to
 gefeohte gearu. ⁊ Machabeus se cena clypode to Gode, ⁊
 his geferan eac swa fultumes biddende. Eodon þa of
 ðære byrig, gebylde þurh God, ⁊ hi fengon togadere
 fæstlice mid wæpnum. Hwæt, ða færlice comon fif
 435 englas of heofonum, ridende on horsum mid gyldenum
 gerædum, ⁊ twægen þæra engla on twa healfe Iudan
 feohtende wæron, ⁊ hine eac bewerodon. ⁊ hi ealle fif
 fuhton mid Iudan, sceotiende heora flan ⁊ fyrene
 ligettas on ða hæðenan leoda, oðþæt hi licgende swulton,
 440 twentig þusend manna ⁊ six hundred ofslagene. Timotheus
 þa fleah, mid fyrhte fornumen, into anre byrig; ⁊ him
 æfter ferde Iudas mid fultume. ⁊ fuhton wiðutan, oðþæt
 hi hi oferwunnon ⁊ gewyldon þa burh, ⁊ Timotheum
 acwealdon þær ðær he becopen wæs ⁊ his broðor
 445 samod mid swurdes ecge. Æfter þysum dædum hi
 þancodon drihtne mid lofsangum ⁊ andetnyssum eallra
 þæra mærða þe he ðam Iudeiscum gedyde for oft; ⁊ him
 sige forgeaf, ⁊ siðedon ða ham.

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429) *oþerne*] *oðærne*, L; *wolde*] *woldo*, C; *mid*] *mid hisr*
 with ‘r’ subpuncted, C. 430) *fyrde*] *furde*, L. 431) *gefeohte*]
gefeohtu, E; *se*] *þe*, L; *cena*] *cene*, E; *clypode*] *clyopode*, E
 432) *biddende*] *biddenda*, C. 433) *hi*] *hio*, E; *togadere*]
togædere, C, E, & L .435) *englas*] *ænglas*, E; *ridende*]
ridenda, C; *horsum*] *orsum*, C. 436) *twægen*] *twegen*, C, E,
 & L; *þæra*] *þære\a/* with ‘e’ subpuncted, J, *þara*, L; *engla*]
ængla, E; *healfe*] *healfa*, C & L. 437) *bewerodon*] *beweredon*,
 C & E. 438) *sceotiende*] *scoet\i\ende*, J, *sceotende*, C, E, &
 L; *fyrene*] *furene*, L. 439) *ligettas*] *legettas*, E; *leoda*] *leode*,
 E; *licgende*] *liggenda*, C, *licgende wæron* with ‘wæron’ crossed
 through, E. 440) *twentig*] *xx*, E; *hundred*] *hund\red*, J,
hund, C, E, L, & Sk (see notes). 443) *hi* *hi oferwunnon*]
hi \hi/ oferwunnon, J, *hi oferwunnon*, C, L, & Sk, *hi*
oferwunna\o/n with ‘a’ subpuncted, E. 444) *þær ðær*] *þar*
ðar, L. 445) *þysum*] *þisum*, E. 446) *þancodon*] *ðancadan*,
 E; *andetnyssum*] *andætnyssum*, E; *eallra*] *ealra*, C, E, &
 L. 447) *þæra*] *þera*, C; *Iudeiscum*] *iud\eliscan*, E, *iudeiscan*,
 L; *for oft*] *oft for*, C. 448) *siðedon*] *siðodon*, L.

- Gif hwa nu wundrige hu hit gewurþan mihte þæt
 450 englas sceoldon ridan on gerædedum horsum, þonne
 wite he to soþan þæt us secgað gehwær ða halgan Godes
 bec (þe ne magon beon lease) þæt englas oft comon
 cuðlice to mannum, swilce on horse ridende, swa swa we
 her rehton. Þa Iudeiscan wæron ða dyreste Gode on
 455 ðære ealdan æ, forðan þe hi ana wurðodon þone ælmihtigan
 God mid biggengum symle, oþþæt Crist, Godes sunu,
 sylf wearð acenned of menniscum gecynde of þam
 Iudeiscum cynne, of Sancta Marian þam mædene,
 butan menniscum fæder.
- 460 Þa noldon hi sume gelyfan þæt he soð God wäre, ac
 syrwdon embe his lif swa swa he sylf geðafode. Wæron
 swaþeah manega of þam cynne Gode, ge on ðære
 ealdan æ, ge eac on þære niwan—heahfæderas ȝ
 witegan, ȝ halige apostolas, ȝ fela ðusenda þe folgiað
 465 Criste (þeah þe hi sume wunian wiðerwerde of þis). Hi
 sceolon swaðeah ealle on ende gelyfan; ac ðær losiað to
 feala on þam fyrste betwux, for heora heardheortnysse
 wið þone heofonlican hælend.

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449) *gewurþan*] *gewurðon*, C, *gewurðean* with the second
 ‘e’ subpunctured, E; *mihte*] om. L. 450) *englas*] *ænglas*, C &
 E; *sceoldon*] *sceoldan*, L; *gerædedum*] *geræ\de/dum*, J. 451)
 secgað] *sæcgað*, E; *secgað gehwær ða halgan Godes bec*] *secgað*
 þa halgan godes bec gehwar, L. 452) *englas*] *ænglas*, E. 453)
 swilce] *hwilan*, E; *ridende*] *riddende*, L. 454) *her*] *ær*, C &
 E; *ða dyreste*] *dyriste þa*, C, *dyreste ða*, E & L. 456)
 biggengum] *biggengum*, C & L. 457) *sylf*] *self*, C; *acenned*]
 acænned, E, *accenned*, L; *of menniscum*] *on menniscum*, C
 & L, *of mænniscum*, E; *of þam Iudeiscum cynne*] om. E.
 458) *sancta*] om. C, E, L, & Sk; *butan*] *buton*, E. 459)
 menniscum] *mænniscum*, E. 460) *hi*] *bis*, C. 461) *sylf*] *self*,
 C. 462) *cynne*] *mancynne*, C, E, & Sk, *mannwynne*, L
 (see notes); *gode*] *goode*, E; *ge*] om. E. 463) *ealdan*] *ealden*,
 C, om. E. 464) *apostolas*] *apostolos*, E. 465) *þe*] om. E;
 wunian] *wunigon*, C, *wuniað*, E; *wiðerwerde*] *wiðerwearde*,
 C & E. 466) *swaðeah*] *þeah*, C; *ende*] *ænde*, E; *losiað*]
 losað, C. 467) *feala*] *fē\alla*, J, *fela*, C & E; *heardheortnysse*]
 heardheortnessæ, C, *heardheortnusse*, L.

.VII.

- 470 Betwux þysum ferde se foresæda Antiochus to Persiscre
 ðeode mid micclum þrymme. Wolde þær oferwinnan
 sume welige burh, ac he wearð þanon afliged, ȝ
 fracodlice ætbærst ȝ mid micelre angsumnysse of þam
 earde gewende to Babilonian werd. ȝ him wearð þa
 475 gecydd hu Iudas oferfeaht his fynd mid wæpnum, ȝ hu
 he geclænsod hæfde þæt halige Godes templ fram
 eallum þam fylðum þe he fyrnlice þær arærde.

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- Wearð þa geangsumod ȝ eac geuntrumod forðam þe
 him God gram wæs. ȝ he grimetode egeslice, secgende
 480 ȝ seðende þæt him swa gelumpen wæs, forðan ðe he
 Godes templ tawode to bysmore, ȝ ða geleaffullan wolde
 of heora lande adylegian. Him weollon þa wurmas of
 485 ȝ ðam gewitnodan lichaman, ȝ he stanc swa fulle þæt man
 hine ferian ne mihte, ȝ he ða yfele ȝ earmlice geendode
 on ælfremedom earde to þam ecan witum; ȝ his sunu
 Eupator æfter him rixode. Se wearð eac ongebroht þæt
 he ofslean wolde þa geleaffullan Iudei þe gelyfdon ða on

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469) VII] om. J. 470) *se]* ȝe, L; *foresæda]* *forasæda*, E; *Antiochus]* *antioch\iu/s*, E; *Persiscre]* *persisere*, L. 471) *micclum]* *miclum*, E; *of erwinnan]* *of erwinnen*, C. 472) *þanon]* *þanan*, E. 473) *angsumnysse]* *ancsumnesse*, C, *ancsumnysse*, E & L. 474) *Babilonian]* *babiloni\an/*, E; *werd]* *geweard*, E, *weard*, L. 475) *gecydd]* *gecyd*, C, E, & L. 476) *geclænsod]* *geclensod*, C. 477) *þam fylðum]* *yflum*, C. 478) *Wearð þa]* *wearða*, E; *geangsumod]* *geancsumod*, E & L; *forðam]* *forþan*, C, E, & L. 479) *grimetode]* *gegrimmetode*, C, *grymetod*, L; *secgende]* *sæcgende*, E. 481) *templ]* *tempel*, E; *bysmore]* *bysmere*, C; *geleaffullan]* *gelefdon*, E. 482) *weollon]* *weollan*, C, *weolla\o/n* with the ‘a’ subpuncted, E; *wurmas]* *wyrmas*, E & L. 483) *lichaman]* *lichoman*, E. 484) *earmlice]* *ea\rl/mlice*, E. 485) *ælfremedom]* *æfremedium*, C & E; *ælfremede*, L; *ecan]* *ecum*, E & L. *Se]* *þe*, L; *ongebroht]* *on on gebroht*, C, *gebroht*, E. 487) *þe]* *þa*, E; *gelyfdon]* *gelefdon*, C.

God. Hi gelyfdon þa on þa ealdan wisan on þone
ælmihtigan God, þeah ðe hi sume wiðsocon siðþan þone
490 hælend, þe eac swa hine ofslogon, swa swa he sylf wolde.

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Hwæt, þa Eupator, Antioches sunu, gegaderode his
fyrde fyrran þe nean, þe sende hundteontig þusenda
gangendra manna, þe twentig þusenda gehorsedra
manna, þe þrittig ylpas ealle getemode, þe to wige
495 gewenode mid wunderlicum cræfte. Fif hund gehorsedra
manna ferdon mid ælcum ylpe, þe on ælcum ylpe wæs an
wighus getimbrod, þe on ælcum wighuse wæron þrittig
manna feohtende þe mid gecneordnysse farende.

Sumum menn wile þincan syllic þis to gehyrenne,
500 forþan þe ylpas ne comon næfre on Engla lande. Ylp is
ormæte nyten (mare þonne sum hus), eall mid banum
befangen binnan þam felle butan æt ðam nauelan, þe he
nafre ne lið. Feower þe twentig monða gæð seo modor
mid folan, þe preo hund geara hi libbað (gif hi alefede
505 ne beoð); þe hi man mæg wenian wunderlice to gefeohte.

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488) *Hi*] *Hio*, E; *þa on þa*] on *þa*, C, E, & L. 489) *hi*] *hio*,
E; *wiðsocon siðþan*] *siððan wiðsocon siððan*, C, *siððan*
wiðsoca\o/n with the second ‘a’ subpuncted, E, *syððan*
wiðsocon, L. 490) *hine*] *hine*/, J, om. C, E, L, & Sk; *sylf*]
self, C. 491) *Antioches*] *Antiochus*, L. 492) *fyrde*] *ferde*, C &
E; *fyrran*] *feorran*, C, E, & L; *nean*] *near*, C & L;
hundteontig] *hun\d/teontig*, E, *hundtweontig*, L. 493)
twentig] *twenti*, C, XXX, E; *þusenda*] *þusendra*, E;
gehorsedra] *ge\b/orsedra*, C. 494) *þrittig*] *þritig*, C, XXX,
E. 495) *wunderlicum*] *wunderlicum*, C, E, & L. 496)
manna] *ma\n/na*, L. 497) *wighuse*] *wig/huse*, E; *þrittig*]
þritig, C & L, XXX, E. 498) *manna*] *wera*, C, E, & L;
feohtende] *feohtende mid cræfte*, C, E, & L; *gecneordnysse*]
gecneordnesse, C. 499) *menn*] *men*, C, E, & L; *syllic*] *sellic*,
L; *gehyrenne*] *geheranne*, E. 500) *forþan*] *fordon*, E; *Engla*]
\ængla, C, *\ængle*, E. 501) *þonne*] *þone*, C; *eall*] *eal*, C & E.
502) *befangen*] *befangum*, C, *befange\a/n*, E; *butan*] *buton*,
C & E; *ðam*] *þan*, C; *nauelan*] *nafelan*, C, E, & L. 503)
Feower 7 *twentig*] XXIII, E. 504) *geara*] *gæra*, E. 505)
man] *mon*, E; *wenian*] *wænian*, C, E, & L; *wunderlice*]
wunderlice, C.

Hwæl is ealra fixa mæst, ⁊ ylp is eallra nytena mæst; ac swaþeah mannes gescead hi mæg gewyldan.

þa hæðenan ða ferdon to ðam gefeohte swyðe, ⁊ mid morberium gebylodon þa ylpas, forðan þe morberian him

510 is metta leofost. Þær wæs swyðe egelic here þæra hæðenra manna; ac swaðeah Iudas heom eode to mid wige, ⁊ ofsloh þær sona six hund wera. ⁊ an his geferena, Eleazarus hatte, arn to anum ylpe þe ðær enlicost wæs (wende þæt se cyning wäre on ðam wighuse ðe he bær).

515 He arn, mid atogenum swurde, betwux ðam eorode middan ⁊ sloh æfre on twa healfa þæt hi sweltende feollon, oðþæt he to þam ylpe com, ⁊ eode him on under. Stang ða hine æt ðam nauelan, þæt hi lagon ðær begen, heora egðer oðres slaga. ⁊ Iudas siððan gewende

520 into Hierusalem mid ealre his fyrde, ⁊ weredon hi cenlice wið þone onwinnendan here, oðþæt se cynincg feng to friðe wið hi be his witena ræde; ac he hit hraðe tobræc. He cyrde ða hamwerd mid his herelafe, ⁊ hine ofsloh

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506) *ealra*] *ealre\la/* with the second ‘e’ subpuncted, J; *eallra*] *ealra*, C & L. 507) *gescead hi*] *gescad bio*, E. 509) *morberium*] *morberian*, E, *morberigum*, L; *gebyldon*] *gebyldum*, C; *forðan*] *forða\o/n*, E; *morberian*] *morberigan*, C & L. 510) *metta*] *mette\la/* with the second ‘e’ subpuncted, J, *mete*, C, *meta*, E; *leofost*] *leofast*, E & L; *þæra*] *þære*, E. 511) *heom*] *hi\eo/m* with ‘i’ subpuncted, J, *him*, C, E, & L; *eode*] *eod[Je*, J; *wige*] *wigge*, L. 512) *ofsloh*] *ofslog*, C; *geferena*] *gefera*, E. 513) *enlicost*] *ænlicost*, C, E, L, & Sk. 514) *wende*] om. L; *se] ðe*, L. 515) *atogenum*] *anum*, E. 516) *middan*] *midde\la/n* with ‘e’ subpuncted, J; *healfa*] *healf\la/* with the second ‘e’ subpuncted, J, *healf*, E; *hi] bio*, E; *sweltende*] *swultende*, L. 517) *feollon*] *feollan*, E. 518) *hine] \hine/*, J (added in right margin), om. C, E, & L; *nauelan*] *nafelan*, L; *hi] om*. E. 519) *egðer*] *ægðer*, C, E, & L. 520) *fyrde*] *ferde*, C. 521) *se cynincg]* *se cyning*, C & E, *ðe cyng*, L; *feng]* *feong*, C. 522) *hi] bio*, E; *witena*] *witene*, L; *hraðe*] *raðe*, E & L. 523) *cyrde*] *cyrd*, C, *cerde*, E; *hamweard*] *hamweard*, E & L; *herelafe*] *here*, E.

sona sum sigefæst þegen, Demetrius gehaten, ȝ hæfde
 525 his rice on Antiochian byrig ȝ þær abutan gehwær.

.VIII.

Hwæt, þa Alchimus, se arleasa sacerd, wrehte mid
 leasungum his leode to þam cyninge. ȝ se cyning
 Demetrius þam manfullan gelyfde, ȝ geswencte ða
 530 Iudeiscan, oðþæt he sende him to Nicanor, his ealdorman,
 þæt he hi ealle fordyde.

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Nicanor þa ferde mid fyrde to Hierusalem, ȝ sende to
 Iudan mid swicdome ȝ cwæð: ‘Ne com ic for nanum
 gefeohte, ac for freondscipe to eow!’ ȝ cyste ða Iudan, ȝ
 535 his cempan wæron gearwe to genimenne Iudan on bendum.
 Iudas þa undergeat heora wælhreowan swicdom, ȝ
 wende him fram sona, ȝ nolde hine geseon. Nicanor þa
 oncneow þæt his facn cuð wæs; began ða to feohtenne
 færlice wið Iudan, oðþæt þær feollon of his fyrde fif
 540 ðusend manna, ȝ þa oðre ætflugon afyrhte for Iudan. Nicanor
 þa sceawode Salomones templ, ȝ swor þurh his godas
 þæt he þæt Godes hus wolde mid fyre forbærnan, butan
 him man betæhte Iudan gebundene to bysmorlicum

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524) *þegen*] ȝeng, E; *hæfde*] he *hæfde*, L. 525) *gehwar*] gehwer, L. 526) *VIII*] om. J. 527) *se*] ȝe, L; *arleasa*] arleasæ, E; *wrehte*] wreigde, L. 528) *leasungum*] leasunge, C, *leasungea* with the second ‘e’ subpuncted, E, *læasunge*, L; *leode*] *leoda*, C & L; *cyninge*] cyninga, L; *se cynincg*] ȝe cyng, L. 529) *geswencte*] geswæncte, E. 530) *sende*] sænde, C; *bis*] \b/ is, C. 531) *hi*] hi mid, C & L, mid, E. 532) *sende*] sænde, E. 534) *gefeohte*] \gefeohtel, J; *freondscipe*] fryndscipe, L. 535) *cempan*] cæmpan, C & E; *gearwe*] gearuwe, L; *genimenne*] genimene, C & E, nimenne, L; *bendum*] bændum, C & E. 536) *undergeat*] undergæt, E; *wælhreowan*] wealhreowan, C. 537) ȝ *nolde*] nolde, C, E, & L; ȝa] om. E. 539) *feollon*] feollan, C & E; *fyrde*] ferde, E; *fif*] V, E. 541) *þurh*] þur\h/, E, þur, L; *godas*] godes, C. 542) *forbærnan*] forbærnen, L; *butan*] buton, C, buta\o/n with ‘a’ subpuncted, E, buto, L. 543) *betæhte*] betahed, E; *gebundene*] gebundenne, C, E, & L.

deaðe; wende him swa awæg, wodlice geyrsod.

545 Hwæt, ða sacerdas ða mid swyðlicre heofunge bædon
 þone ælmihtigan God þæt he his agen hus gescylde wið
 þone arleasan ȝ hine ardlice fordyde. Nicanor þa eft
 genam oðre fyrde of Sirian (wolde his gebeot mid
 weorcum gefremman), ȝ Iudas him com to mid þrim
 550 ðusend cempum, ȝ gebæd hine to Gode gebigedum limum
 þus: 'Drihten, þu þe asendest þinne scinenden engel, þa
 ða Syrian kynincg sende þurh his heretogan on
 ærendgewritum þe tallice word, ȝ se engel ofsloh þa, on
 anre nihte, of heom an hund þusend manna ȝ
 555 hundeahatig þusenda; tobryt nu, swa ic bidde, þisne
 breman here ætforan urum gesihðum, þæt men magon
 geseon þine mihte on heom!'

Hi fengon þa togædere fæstlice mid wæpnum, ȝ
 Nicanor æt fruman feoll þær ofslagen, ȝ his here awearp
 560 heora wæpna ȝ flugon. Ac Iudas him folgode fæstlice
 mid wæpnum, ȝ bicnode gehwanon mid blawunge him
 fultum, oðþæt hi man gynde ongean eft to Iudan, ȝ hi
 ealle ofslogon þæt ðær an ne belaf. Namon þa heora
 565 wæpna ȝ heora gewæda mid heom, ȝ Nicanores heafod
 ȝ his swyðran hand, ȝ setton þa to tacne for his teonrædene;

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544) *wende*] *wænde*, E; *awæg*] *aweg*, C & L, *onweg*, E.
 546) *agen*] *agan*, C, *agon*, E. 548) *fyrde*] *ferde*, C; *ofl os*, E.
 549) *com*] \com/, J; *þrim*] *þreom*, C. 550) *cempum*] *cæmpum*,
 E; *limum*] *leomum*, E. 551) *scinenden*] *scinendan*, C, E, &
 L; *engel*] *ængel*, E. 552) *ða*] *þe*, C; *kynincg*] *cyning*, C & L,
 cyng, E. 553) *se*] *þe*, L; *engel*] *ængel*, E. 554–5) *of heom*
an... ȝ hundeahatig þusenda, see note. 555) *þisne*] *þeosne*, E.
 557) *mihte*] *mihtha*, C, *mihton* with the ‘n’ subpuncted and
 scraped, L; *heom*] *hiȝeo/m* with ‘i’ subpuncted, J, *him*, C,
 E, & L. 558) *togædere*] *togadere*, L. 559) *feol*] *feol*, C & E.
 560) *wæpna*] *wæp*, L; *folgode*] *folgade*, E. 561) *mid wæpnum*]
wæpnum, E; *gehwanon*] *gehwanan*, E. 562) *bi*] *him*, C, E,
 & L; *gynde*] *gende*, E. 563) *ofslogon*] *ofslogan*, E; *an ne*
belaf] *nan ne bȝe/hlaf*, E; *Namon*] *Naman*, E. 564) *heom*]
hiȝeo/m with ‘i’ subpuncted, J *him*, C, E, & L.

¶ þancodon þa Gode þearle mid wurðmynte. Wunodon
 ða on sibbe sume hwile æfter ðam, ¶ Judas þa sende mid
 sibbe to Rome gecorene ærendracan. Wolde cuðlæcan
 wið hi, forðan þe Romanisce witan wæron ða mihtige ¶
 570 rædfæste on weorcum, ¶ oferwunnan heora fynd.

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.IX.

Hit wearð gecydd syððan þam cynincge Demetrio þæt
 Nicanor feol ¶ eall his folc mid him. ¶ wolde he git
 sendan ¶ ofslean þa Iudeiscan, ¶ funde ða Bachidem, se
 575 wæs mid bealuwe afylled, ¶ Alchimum mid him þone
 arleasan sacerd; ¶ sende hi mid gefylce to Iudeiscum
 folce. Hi comon ða færlice mid gefeohte to Iudan, ¶ his
 geferan eargodon, butan eahta hund mannum þe him
 mid fuhton wið þone feondlican here.

580 ¶ cwædon his geferan þæt hi fleon woldon, forðan þe
 heora werod wæs gewanod mid þam fleame, ¶ woldon
 heom beorgan wið þone breman here. ¶ andwyrde

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566) *þancodon*] *þancoden*, E; *wurðmynte*] *wurðmente*, C; *Wunodon*] *Wunoden*, C, *Hi wunedon*, L. 568) *wolde*] \ŋ/ *wolde*, L; *cuðlæcan*] *cuðlæcen*, J, *gecyðlæcan*, L. 569) *hi*] *hio*, E; *forðan*] *forðon*, E; *witan*] *weotan*, E. 570) *oferwunnan*] *oferwunnon*, C & L, *oferwunno\n/*, E; *fynd*] *feond*, C & E. 571) *IX*] om. J, VIII, E. 572) *gecydd*] *þa gecyd*, C, *gecyd*, E & L; *cynincge*] *cyninge*, C, E, & L. 573) *feol*] *feoll*, L; *eall his folc*] *bis folc eal*, C, *bis folc eall*, E & L; *git*] *get*, C. 574) *sendan*] *sendon*, E & L; *fundel*] *filde (?)*, E; *se*] *ðe*, L. 575) *bealuwe*] *bealwe*, C, *bealewe*, E; *mid him*] 7 *mid him*, E. 576) *iudeiscum*] *iudeisca\n/m* with ‘a’ subpuncted, E. 577) *Hi*] *Hio*, E; *Iudan*] *iudam*, C. 578) *butan*] *buton*, C, E, & L; *mannum*] *manna*, C, E, & L. 579) *fuhton*] *feo\nu/hton* with ‘eo’ subpuncted, C; *feondlican*] *feondlice*, C. 580) *cwædon*] *cwæðon*, C. 581) *werod*] om. C; *weorod*, E; *woldon*] *woldom*, C. 582) *heom*] *hi\neo/m* with ‘i’ subpuncted, J, *him*, C & L, *biom*, E; *beorgan*] *gebeorgan*, C, E, & L; *andwyrde*] *andwurde*, L. 583) *eall*] *eal*, C; *gewurðe*] *wurðe*, E & L.

Iudas, swa swa he eall cene wæs: ‘Ne gewurðe hit na on
 life þæt we alecgan ure wuldor mid earhlicum fleame,
 585 ac utor feohtan wið hi. Ḷ gif God swa foresceawað, we
 sweltað on mihte for urum gebroðrum butan
 bysmorlicum fleame.’

Hi comon þa togædere, Ḷ begunnon to feohtenne on
 twam gefylcum forð eallne ðone dæg; Ḷ Iudas þa
 590 beseah to þære swyðran healfe þæt þa wæron strængran,
 Ḷ stop ðyder sona mid ðam anrædystum mannum þe him
 mid fuhton, Ḷ todrifon þone ende. Ac him æfter eode
 þæt oðer gefylce mid gefeohte hindan, Ḷ feollon ða on
 twa healfe on þam gefeohte manega, Ḷ Iudas eac feoll, Ḷ
 595 þa oðre ætflugon. Þa gelæhton his gebroðra his lic of ðam
 wæle, Ḷ bebyrigdon on ðære byrig Modin to Mathathian
 his fæder, Ḷ eall folc hine beweop on ða ealdan wisan.

Ne synd swaþeah awritene þæs ðe wyrdwriteras
 sæcgaf, ealle Iudan gefeoht for his freonda ware Ḷ ealle
 600 ða mihte þe he mærlice gefremode his folce to gebeorge,

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584) *earhlicum*] *eardlicum*, C. 585) *feohtan*] *feohton*, E;
foresceawað] *foresceawað*, L. 586) *sweltað*] *swyltað*, L; *butan*]
buton, C & E. 587) *bysmorlicum*] *bismericum*, with third
 minim of second ‘m’ subpuncted, C, *bismericum*, E;
fleame] *fleā/me*, L. 588) *þa*] *da*, L; *togædere*] *togadere*, L.
 589) *gefylcum*] *gehwilcum*, C; *eallne*] *éalne*, C, E, & L; *þa*]
 om. E & L 590) *healfe*] *heal̄l/fe*, L; *strængran*] *strengran*,
 L. 591) *ðyder*] *hider* *hider*, C; *anrædystum*] *anrædestum*,
 C, *andrædystum*, E. 592) *todrifon*] *todrifen*, C; *þone*] *ðonne*,
 E; *ende*] *ænde*, E. 593) *oðer*] *oþær*, C; *feollon*] *feollo\n/*, E.
 594) *healfe*] *healfa*, C; *feoll*] *feol*, C. 595) *ætflugon*] *ætfluglon*,
 E; *gelæhton*] *gelehten*, E, *geleahton*, L. 596) Ḷ *and*, L;
bebyrigdon] *bebyrgdon*, E; *on*] *hine on*, L; *ðære byrig*] *\ðære*
byrig/, added in right margin J, om. C, E, L, & Sk;
Mathathian] *mathathiam*, C, *mathian*, E. 597) *eall*] *eal*,
 C, *ealle*, Sk. 598) *synd*] *sund*, L; *wyrdwriteras*] *wyrdwriteres*,
 C, *wyrðwriteras*, L. 599) *sæcgaf*] *secgað*, C & L. 600) *mihte*]
mihta, C & L, *mihtea* with ‘e’ subpuncted, E; *gefremode*]
\ge\fremode, J, *gep\fremode*, C.

swa swa us bec secgað. Menigfealde wæron his micclan gefeoht. ḡ he is eallswa halig on ðære ealdan gecyðnysse, swa swa Godes gecorenan on ðære godspelbodunge. Forðan þe he æfre wan for willan þas 605 ælmihtigan Godes. On þam dagum, wæs alyfed to alecgenne his fynd ḡ swiþost þa hæðenan þe him hetole wæron; ḡ se wæs Godes ðegen þe ða swiðost feaht wið heora onwinnendan to ware heora leode.

Ac Crist on his tocyme us cydde oðre ðincg, ḡ het us 610 healdan sibbe ḡ soðfæstnysse æfre, ḡ we sceolon winnan wið þa wælhreowan fynd; þæt synd ða ungesewenlican, ḡ þa swicolon deofla, þe willað ofslean ure sawla mid leahtrum. Wið ða we sceolon winnan mid gastlicum wæpnum ḡ biddan us gescyldnysse simle æt Criste, þæt 615 we moton oferwinnan þa wælhreowan leahtras ḡ þas deofles tihtinge, þæt he us derian ne mæge. Þonne beoð we Godes cempan on ðam gastlican gefeohte, gif we ðone deofol forseoþ þurh soðne geleafan, ḡ þa heafodleahtras þurh gehealtsumnysse; ḡ gif we Godes 620 willan mid weorcum gefremmað.

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601) *Menigfealde*] *Mænigfealde*, C, *Manigfealda*, E. 602) *micclan*] *mycele*, E; *eallswa*] *ealswa*, C. 603) *gecyðnysse*] *gecyðnesse*, C, \ge/cyðnysse, E, *gecyðnusse*, L. 604) *godspelbodunge*] *godspelbodungea* with ‘e’ subpuncted, E; *wan*] *wann*, E & L. 605) *ælmihtigan*] *ælmihtigæn*, C; *godes*] \godes/, J, om. C, E, L, & Sk; *to alecgenne his fynd*] *to alecgenne his feond*, E, *his feond to alecgenne*, L. 606) *hetole*] *hetele*, C, E, & L. 607) *se*] ðe, L. 608) *leode*] *leoda*, C, E, & Sk. 609) *his tocyme*] *his godspel tocyme* with ‘godspel’ subpuncted, C; *ðincg*] *þing*, C, E, & L; ḡ] om. E. 610) *healdan*] *healden*, L; *soðfæstnysse*] *soðfæstnesse*, C; *sceolon*] *sceolan*, E. 611) *ungesewenlican*] *ungesewnlicen*, C. 612) *swicolon*] *swicelan*, L; *swala*] *swale\a/* with ‘e’ subpuncted, J. 613) *sceolon*] *sculo\a/n* with ‘o’ subpuncted, E. 614) *gescyldnysse*] *gescyldnesse*, C; *simle*] *symble*, C & E. 615) *leahtras*] *leahtres*, C. 616) *deofles*] *deofle\sl/*, L; *mæge*] *mage*, L; *beoð*] *beo*, C, E, & L. 617) *cempan*] *cæmpa*, E. 618) *deofol*] *deofel*, L. 619) *heafodleahtras*] *heafodleahtres*, C; *gehealtsumnysse*] *gehealtsumnesse*, C, *gehealdsumnysse*, E & L.

þæt ealde Godes folc sceolde feohtan þa mid
wæpnum, ȝ heora gewinn hæfde haligra manna
getacnunge, þe todrafað þa leahtras ȝ deofla heom fram,
on þære niwan gecyðnyssse þe Crist sylf astealde. Secgað
625 swaþeah lareowas þæt syndon feower cynna gefeoht:
iustum, þæt is rihtlic; iniustum, unrihtlic; ciuile, betwux
ceastergewarum; plusquam ciuile, betwux siblingum.
Iustum bellum is rihtlic gefeoht wið ða reðan flotmenn,
oþþe wið oðre þeoda þe eard willað fordon. Unrihtlic
630 gefeoht is þe of yrre cymð. Þæt þridde gefeoht is—þe of
geflete cymð—betwux ceastergewarum is swyðe pleolic;
ȝ þæt feorðe gefeoht, þe betwux freondum bið, is swiðe
earmlic ȝ endeleans sorh.

[7II]

.X.

635 Israhela folc þa anmodlice geceas Ionatham his broþor,
biddende þæt he wäre heora heafod ȝ heretoga wið þa
hæþenan þeoda. ȝ he feng ða to ealdordome (swa swa hi
ealle bædon), ȝ werode hi manega gear wið þone

621) *Godes*] om. C, E, & L; *sceolde*] *scolde*, E. 622) *wæpnum*] þam *wæpnum*, C; *gewinn*] *gewin*, C. 623) *getacnunge*] *getacnungea* with the second ‘e’ subpuncted, E; *todrafað*] *todrafeð*, E; *leahtras*] *bleahtræs*, E; *deofla*] *deoflu*, C, E, & L; *heom*] *hi\eo/m* with ‘i’ subpuncted, J, *him*, C, E, & L. 624) *sylf*] *self*, C & E; *astealde*] *aste\la/lde*, E. 625) *syndon*] *synd\on/*, J, *synd*, C, E, L, & Sk; *cynna*] *cynne\a/* with ‘e’ subpuncted J; *feower*] *feower.X.*, L. 627) *ceastergewarum*] *ceasterwarum*, C. 628) *reðan*] om. L; *flotmenn*] *flotmen*, C, E, & L. 629) *oðre*] *heora*, E; *þeoda*] *þeode*, C. 630) *cymð*] *becymð*, C, E, & L; *gefeoht is*] *gefeoht \is/*, J. 631) *geflete*] *flite*, E; *cymð*] *becymð*, L; *ceastergewarum*] *ceasterwarum*, E. 632) ȝ] om. E; *gefeoht*] *gefeoht is*, C. 633) *endeleans*] *ændeleans*, E; *sorh*] *sorhg*, E. 634) X] om. J. 635) *Ionatham*] *Ionathan*, C, E, & L. 636) *biddende*] *biddenda*, C; *he wäre heora...hæþenan þeoda* ȝ] om. L. 637) *þeoda*] *þeode*, E; *hi*] *hio*, E. 638) *ealle*] om. C; *werode*] *werede*, C; *manega*] *managa*, E.

onwinnendan here, ⁊ wiþ Bachidem feaht (þe his
640 broþor ofsloh), ⁊ þær sige gefor ⁊ ofsloh þær an þusend
manna.

[721]

þa wolde Alchimus, se arleasa sacerd, tobrecan Godes
templ mid teonfullum graman; ac hine sloh God sona
mid swyðlicum paralisyn, swa þæt he dumb wæs ⁊ to
645 deaðe gebroht, ⁊ mid mycclum tintregum his teonfullan
gast ofðam lichaman forlet to langsumum witum. Ionathas
wunode on wurðomynte ða lange, ⁊ cynegas hine
wurðodon mid wordum ⁊ gifum. ⁊ he sige geferde on
manegum gefeohtum, ⁊ æfre wæs winnende embe
650 Godes willan, ⁊ eac his lif forlet for his leode ware.

f. 151r

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Symon þa syððan snoterlice geheold þone Iudeiscan
eard æfter Ionathan his breðer, ⁊ on eallum his dagum
ne derode him nan man. Ac wunodon æfre on sibbe on
Symones dæge, oþþæt he on ende eac wearð ofslagen,
655 swa swa his gebroðra, for soðfæstum biggengum ⁊ for
heora leoda ware. Ac hi lybbað on ecnyssse mid ðam
heahfæderum for heora hylde wið God. Iohannes wæs
geciged þæs Symones sunu. Se wæs æfter his fæder
ðæs folces heretoga, ⁊ hi hlysfullice geheold wið þa

639) *wiþ*] *wið* ða, E; *feaht*] *feoht*, E. 641) *manna*] *manna*/, J,
om. C, E, L, & Sk. 643) *teonfullum*] *teonfullu*, L. 644)
paralisyn] *paralisen*, E; *dumb*] *dum*, E. 645) *mycclum*]
myclum, E. 646) *lichaman*] *lichoman*, E, *lic\h/aman*, L.
647) *wunode*] *wunodon* with the second ‘n’ subpuncted,
C; *wurðomynte*] *wyrðomynte*, E; *cynegas*] *cyningas*, L. 648)
wurðodon] *wurðedon*, E. 649) *embe*] *ymbe*, E. 650) *leode*]
leoda, E; *ware*] *wære*, E. 651) *snoterlice*] *snotorlice*, C;
geheold] *geheolt*, C. 652) *breðer*] *broðer*, L. 653) *derode*]
derede, E; *wunodon*] *wunedon*, C, *wunoden*, E, *wonodon*,
L. 654) *dæge*] *life*, C, E, & L; *ende*] *ænde*, E; *wearð*] *warð*,
C. 655) *biggengum*] *biggengum*, C, *bigengum*, L; ⁊ om.
E. 656) *hi*] *hio*, E; *ecnyssse*] *ecnesse*, C. 657) *God*] *god.xi.*,
L. 658) *geciged*] *gecy\i/ged* with ‘y’ subpuncted, E; *sunu*] *suna*,
E; *Se*] *ðe*, L. 659) *heretoga*] *heretogea* with the third ‘e’
subpuncted, E; *hi*] *hei* with ‘e’ subpuncted, E; *hlysfullice*]
lussfullice, E.

660 hæðenan ðeoda on eallum his life þat land bewerode.

[744]

.XI.

We habbað forlætan, for þysre langsuman race, an
 wundorlic ðincg þe we willaþ secgan nu. On ðam
 dagum þe Hierusalem, Ȑ eall Iudea land, wunode on
 665 sibbe, þa wæs þær sum sacerd Onias gehaten, haliges
 lifes mann. Ȑ Seleucus cynincg sende fela laca, on golde
 Ȑ on seolfre, to þam Godes temple of Asian lande (þas
 easternan rices), Ȑ wide of middanearde man wurðode
 þat templ. Ȑ Onias se arwurða wolde mid ðam lacum
 670 widewan Ȑ steopbearn bewerian wið hunger.

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þa ferde sum leogore, Ȑ belæwde þat feoh. Sæde
 þam ealdormenn, Appollonius geciged, þat þat feoh
 mihte becuman ðam cyninge to handa, Ȑ se ealdormann
 sona hit sæde þam cyninge. Hwæt, ða se cynincg sende
 675 sona ænne þegen, Heliodorus gehaten, to ðam halgan
 temple, þat he feccan sceolde þat feoh mid reaflace.

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660) *ðeoda*] *þeode*, E; Ȑ om. E; *bewerode*] *bewerede*, E.
 661) *XI*] om. J, C, & L. 662) *forlætan*] *forlæton*, C, *forlæten*,
 E & L; *langsuman*] *langsumum*, C. 663) *wundorlic*] *wu\n/rderlic* with the first ‘r’ subpuncted, C, *wunderlic*, L; *ðincg*]
þing, C, E, & L; *secgan*] *awritan*, C, *writan*, E & L. 664)
eall] *eal*, C, *ealle*, E. 665) *Onias*] *onnias*, E; *haliges*] *halias*,
 E. 666) *mann*] *man*, C, E, & L; *cynincg*] *cyning*, C, E, &
 L; *sende*] *sænde*, E; *fela*] *feala*, E. 667) *seolfre*] *seolre*, L;
temple] *tem temple*, with first ‘tem’ crossed through, E;
þas] *þas*, E. 668) *of*] *for*, E. 669) *Onias*] *onnias*, E; *lacum*]
lace, C. 670) *steopbearn*] *steopbear*, L. 671) *leogore*] *leogere*,
 C & E. 672) *ealdormenn*] *ealdormen*, C & E; *Appollonius*]
apollonius, C & L, *apollinius*, E; *geciged*] *geclypod*, L. 673)
to handa Ȑ...*sæde þam cyninge*] om. L; *ealdormann*]
aldorman, C, *ealdorman*, E. 674) *se cynincg*] *se cyning*, C
 & E, *þe cyng*, L. 675) *Heliodorus*] *heleodorus*, E; *to*] *ta\n/o/*
 with ‘a’ subpuncted, E; *halgan*] *halgam*, C. 676) *sceolde*]
scolde, E.

He com þa mid werode, ȝ wolde þæt feoh habban. ȝ se sacerd Onias sæde þæt hit wäre widewena bigleofa ȝ wanhafolra manna, of goddra manna ælmyssan ðam
 680 ælmihtigan to lofe; ȝ þa sacerdas feollon ætforan þam weofode, biddende þone ælmihtigan God þæt he gehulpe his ȝeowum. Heliodorus ȝa gemynte þa maðmas to genimenne, ac þær wearð gesewen swutol Godes wundor, swa þæt his geferan feollon geunmihte ȝ
 685 mid fyrhte fornumene færlice þurh God. ȝ ȝær com ridende sum egeful ridda, ȝ him mid siðedon twægen scinende englas mid wundorlicre wlite, swa he sylf wæs geglenged. ȝ þæt heofonlice hors þe se heahengel on sæt wearp sona adune þone dyrstigan Heliodorum, ȝ þa
 690 twegen ænglas hine teartlice beoton—on twa healfe him standende—oðþæt he stille læg orwene his lifes, se ȝe ær, mid gebeote ȝ mid micclum þrymme, þrang into ðam temple.

He læg ȝa dumb swa, oð deaþ beswungen. ȝ his frynd
 695 bædon þa þone foresædan Onian þæt he his life

677) *werode*] *weorode*, E. 678) *se*] ȝe, L; *widewend*] *wydewæna*, E, *wydewan*, L; *bigleofa*] *bigleofan* with ‘n’ subpuncted, E. 679) *wanhafolra*] *walhafolra*, C; *manna*] \manna/, J; *goddra*] *godra*, C, E, L, & Sk. 680) *sacerdas*] \sa/cerdas, J; *feollon*] *feollan*, E & L; *ætforan*] *ætforean* with ‘e’ subpuncted, C. 681) *biddende*] *biddenda*, C. 682) *Heliodorus*] *Heleodorus*, E. 683) *maðmas*] *madmas*, L; *genimenne*] *genimene*, L; *swutol*] *swutel*, C. 684) *wundor*] *wunder*, C, *wuldor*, E; *feollon*] *feollan*, C, *feolla\o/n* with ‘a’ subpuncted, E. 685) *fornumene*] *fornume/ne*, L. 686) *egeful*] *egefull*, L; *siðedon*] *siðodon*, L; *twægen*] *twegian*, C, E, & L. 687) *englas*] *ænglas*, E; *wundorlicre*] *wunderlicre*, C & L; *swa*] *swa swa*, C, E, & L; *sylf*] *self*, C. 688) *geglenged*] *geglænged*, C & E; *se*] *þe*, L; *heahengel*] *engel*, C, *heahængel*, E. 689) *adune*] *adun*, L; *dyrstigan*] *dyrstigun*, L; *Heliodorum*] *eliodorum*, E. 690) *englas*] *englas*, C & L; *healfe*] *healfa*, C & L. 691) *se ȝe*] *þe ȝe*, L. 692) *micclum*] *myclum*, E. 694) *dumb swa*] *swa dumb*, C, E, & L; *frynd*] *friond*, E, *freond*, L. 695) *foresædan*] *foresædon*, C; *life*] om. E.

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geðingode æt þam lifigandan Gode, on þære frecednysse
 þe he on befallen wæs. Onias þa eode ȝ offrode him lac
 fore þam ælmihtigan Gode on þa ealdan wisan, ȝ bæd
 þæt he miltsode þæs mannes nytenysse. ȝ þa englas
 700 ȝ þa hwile Heliodorum gespræcon: sædon þæt he
 sceolde þam sacerde Onian micclum þancian, þæt he
 moste lybban; ȝ heton hine cyðan, on his cyððe æt ham,
 Godes wundor on him, ȝ wendon þa him fram.

Heliodorus þa geedcucode ȝ geoffrode his lac þam
 705 ælmihtigan Gode mid incundre heortan, þæt he cucu
 beon moste, ȝ þancode Onian. ȝ þanon ferde swa mid
 ealre his fyrde, ȝ þæs ælmihtigan mihte his hlaforde
 cydde ȝ his leodum eallum, swa swa he sylf geseah, ȝ
 hu he beswungen wæs. Eft ða se cynincg axode
 710 Heliodorum ȝ cwæð: ‘Hwæne mage we sendan to þam
 foresædan feo?’. Þa cwæð Heliodorus: ‘Gif ðu hæfst
 ænigne feond, send þone to þam feo, ȝ he bið wel
 beswungen oððe gewisslice dead; forðan ðe se ælmihtiga
 God mundað þa stowe, ȝ þa slihð ȝ gescynt þe þær
 715 sceadían willað!’

[790/
f. 152r]

[801]

696) *lifigandan*] *lifiandan*, E; *on þære frecednysse...þam*
ælmihtigan Gode] om. E; *frecednysse*] *frecednesse*, C. 698)
ælmihtigan] *ælmihtig*, L; *ealdan*] *ealden*, C. 699) *miltsode*]
mil d/sode |, E; *englas*] *ænglas*, C & E. 700) *Heliodorum*]
eliодorum, E; *gespræcon*] *gespæcon*, C; *he*] *heo*, E. 701)
sceolde] *scoldon*, E; *Onian*] *oniam*, C; *micclum*] *myclum*,
 E. 703) *wundor*] *wunder*, L. 704) *geedcucode*] *geedcucude*,
 E. 705) *cucu*] *cucode*, C. 706) *beon moste*] *moste beon*, L.
 707) *ealre*] *ealra*, C, E, & L; *fyrde*] *ferde*, C; *hlaforde*]
laforde, L. 708) *sylf*] *self*, C. 709) *se*] *ðe*, L; *cynincg*] *cyning*,
 C, E, & L. 710) *Heliodorum*] *eliодorum*, E; *Hwæne*] *Hwline*,
 E; *mage*] *magon*, E; *sendon*] *sændon*, C, *sændan*, E, *senden*,
 L. 711) *foresædan*] *foresædon*, C, *foræsædan*, L; *feo*] *seo*, C;
Heliodorus] *eliодorus*, E & L; *hæft*] *haeft*, E. 712) *feond*]
fynd, E; *send*] *sænd*, C, *sen*, E. 713) *gewisslice*] *gewislice*, C
 & L, *gewistlice*, E; *se*] *ðe*, L. 714) *mundað*] *munað*, L;
gescynt] *gescylt*, C & L. 715) *sceaðian*] *scaðigan*, L.

Oft is geswutelod hu God gescylde þæt folc wið heora
wiþersacan, gif hi wurðodon hine; Ȑ swa oft swa hi
gebugon fram his biggengum ahwar, þonne wurdon hi
gescynde Ȑ swyðe gewitnode.

720 Sy wuldor Ȑ lof þam welwillandan Gode, a on ecnyssse. [8II]
We cwæþað: AMEN!

ITEM ALIA

Qui Sint Oratores, Laboratores, Bellatores.

Is swaðeah to witenne, þæt on þysre worulde synd
725 þreo endebyrdnysse on annysse gesette. Þæt synd
laboratores, oratores, bellatores. Laboratores synd þa þe
urne biflefan beswincað; oratores synd þa ðe us to
Gode geðingiað; bellatores synd þa ðe ure burga healdað
Ȑ urne eard beweriað wið onwinnendne here.

730 Nu swincð se yrðlincg embe urne biflefan, Ȑ se
woruldæmpa sceall winnan wið ure fynd, Ȑ se Godes

716) *beora*] *beore*, L. 717) *wiþersacan*] *wiðerwinnan*, C, E,
& L; *wurðodon*] *wurðedon*, E; *hi*] *hio*, E. 718) *biggengum*]
biggængum, C, *bigengum*, L, *biggengcum*, Sk (see notes);
ahwar] *awhar*, L; *hi*] *hio*, E. 720) *ecnyssse*] *ecnesse*, C & E,
ecnyss, L. 721) *We*] *we*, E; *cwæþað*] *cweþæð*, C, *cwedað*, E,
cweðað, L, *cweþað*, Sk. 722) *ITEM ALIA*] om. C, E, L,
& P, *DEFRIS ORDINIS L'I*, R. 723) *Qui Sint Oratores,*
Laboratores, Bellatores] om. J, L, P, & R, *XII*, E. 724) *Is*]
Is nu, P, *Git iss*, R; *swaðeah*] om. R; *witenne*, R;
þysre] *ðyssere*, C, E, L, & P; *worulde*] *weorulde*, E, *worolde*,
L. 725) *endebyrdnysse*] *endebyrdnessa*, C, *endebyrdnesse*, E,
endebyrdnyssa, L & R, *endebyrdny\elssa*, P; *annysse*] *annesse*,
E, *anny\elsse*, P. 726) *Laboratores synd*] *þæt synd*, E; *þa*]
om. P. 727) *urne*] *ure*, L. 728) *geðingiað*] *þingiað*, R; *burga*]
burhga, R. 729) *onwinnendne*] *onwinnende*, L, *onwinne*,
R. 730) *se yrðlincg*] *se yrþling*, C & P, *se yrþlinc*, E & R, *þe*
yrþling, L; *embe*] *ymbe*, E; *Ȑ se*] *Ȑ ðe*, L. 731) *woruldæmpa*]
woruldæmpa, E; *sceall*] *sceal*, C, E, L, P & R; *ure*] *urne*,
R; *se*] *þe*, L.

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þeowa sceall symle for us gebiddan ⁊ feohtan gastlice
 wið þa ungesewenlican fynd. Is nu forþy mare þæra
 muneca gewinn wið þa ungesewenlican deofla þe
 735 syrwiað embe us þonne sy þæra woruldmann þe
 winnað wiþ ða flæsclican ⁊ wið þa gesewenlican
 gesewenlice feohtað. Nu ne sceolon þa woruldcempan
 to þam woruldlicum gefeohte þa Godes þeowan neadian
 fram þam gastlican gewinne; forðan þe him fremað
 740 swiðor þæt þa ungesewenlican fynd beon oferswyðde,
 þonne ða gesewenlican, ⁊ hit bið swyðe derigendlic þæt
 hi drihtnes þeowdom forlætan ⁊ to woruldgewinne
 bugan, þe him naht to ne gebyriað.

Iulianus se wiðersaca ⁊ se wælhreowa casere wolde
 745 neadian preostas to woruldlicum gecampe, ⁊ eac þa
 halgan munecas, ⁊ het hi on cwearterne gebringan. Þa

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732) *þeowa*] *þiowa*, E; *sceall*] *sceal*, C, E, L, P, & R. 733) *þa*] *ðæ* (?), E; *forðy*] *\forðy/*, J, *forðig*, P; *þæra*] *þara*, E, *þære*, L. 734) *gewinn*] *gewin*, C & E; *ungesewenlican*] *ungesewenlica*, P, *ungewenlican*, R; *deofla*] *deoflu*, E, L, & R. 735) *embe*] *ymbe*, C; *þæra*] *þara*, E; *woruldmann*] *weoruldmann*, E, *woroldmanna*, L. 736) *gesewenlican*] *gewenlican*, R. 737) *gesewenlice*] om. J, *gesenlice*, E; *sceolon*] *sculon*, E, *sculan*, R; *woruldcempan*] *woruldcæmpa*n, E, *woroldcempan*, L. 738) *worulldicum*] *worulldican*, C & P, *weorulldicum*, E, *woroldlicum*, L; *þeowan*] *þiowas*, E, *þeowas*, L & R; *neadian*] *neadigan*, L. 739) *gastlican*] *gastlicum*, R. 740) *ungesewenlican*] *ungesewenlicam*, E; *fynd*] *feond*, C & E; *ferswyðde*] *ferswihede*, C & P, *fersiðde*, R. 742) *þeowdom*] *ðiowdom*, E; *forlætan*] *forlæton*, C, E, L, & P; *woruldgewinne*] *weoruldgewinne*, E, *woroldgewinne*, L. 743) *bugan*] *bugon*, C, E, L, & P; *þe*] *ne*, C; *to*] om. C; *gebyriað*] *gebyrað*, C, E, L, R, & P. 744) *se wiðersaca*] *þe wiðersaca*, L; *se wælhreowa casere*] *þe wælhreowa carere*, L. 745) *neadian*] *neadigan*, L; *worulldicum*] *woroldlicum*, L; *gecampe*] *gepe\wæpnel*, E; *eac*] *þeac* with ‘þ’ subpuncted, C. 746) *gebringan*] *belucan*, R.

wearð Appollonius, se Egiptisca abbod, on þam cwearterne belocen mid his geleaffullum gebroðrum. Ac Godes engel him com to, to þam cwearterne nihtes,
 750 mid heofonlicum leohte, ȝ unlæc þæt cweatern. Eac se hundredes ealdor, þe hi þærinne beleac, com on ærne mergen mid mycclum þrymme, ȝ sæde þæt his hus feolle färlice mid eorðstyrunge swa þæt his leofestan menn þær lagon ofhrorene, ȝ he bæd þa halgan þa þæt
 755 hi þanon ferdon. And hi ða mid lofsangum siþedon eft to þam westene.

Godes þeowas sceolon unscæððignysse healdan, swa swa Crist astealde þurh hine sylfne þa bysne, þa þa he het Petrum behydan his swurd, ȝ gehælde þurh his
 760 mihte þæs mannes eare þe Petrus of asloh, ȝ geswutelode his godnysse. Nu se munuc þe bihð to

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747) *Appollonius*] *apollonius*, C, E, L, & P; *se*] ȝe, L; *abbod*] *abbud*, E & P. 748) *cwearterne*] *cweaternæ*, L; *geleaffullum*] *geleafful\an*, L; *gebroðrum*] *gebrodrum*, E. 749) *engel*] *ængel*, E; *to þam cwearterne*] om. L. 750) *heofonlicum*] *heofonlican*, E; *unlæc*] *unleac*, C, E, L, R, & P; *se*] ȝe, L. 751) *hundredes*] *hundredas*, C, *hundres*, R. 752) *mergen*] *merien*, C, *merigen*, E, P, & R, *morgen*, L; *mycclum*] *myclum*, E. 753) *feolle*] *fealle*, P; *leofestan*] *leofostan*, C, L, P, & R. 754) *menn*] *men*, C & E; *þa halgan þa*] *þa þa halgan*, C, *þam halgum*, P. 755) *hi þanon*] *hio ȝonon*, E; *siþedon*] *siðodan*, R; *eft*] om. R. 756) *þam*] *ȝon*, E. 757) *sceolon*] *sceolo\a/n* with the second ‘o’ subpuncted, E, *sceoldan*, R; *unscæððignysse*] *unsceþðignesse*, C, *uncsæððigny\el*] *sse*, P; *healdan swa*] *healdon* ȝ *hi þa mid swa* with ‘ȝ hi þa mid’ subpuncted, C. 758) *astealde*] *aste\a/lde*, E; *þa bysne*] *bysne*, E. 759) *behydan*] *behydum*, C; *eare*] *earæ*, C; *asloh*] *sloh*, E. 761) *geswutelode*] *geswutulode*, E, *geswutolade*, R; *godnysse*] *godnesse*, C, *godcundnysse*, E, *godcundny\el\sse*, P; *se munuc*] *se mununc*, E, ȝe *munuc*, L, *secge we*, R; *bihð*] *buhð*, C, *bið*, E; *to*] *te*, R.

Benedictes regole ⁊ forlæt ealle woruldðingc, hwi wile
 he eft gecyrran to woruldlicum wæpnum ⁊ awurpan his
 gewinn wið þa ungesewenlican fynd, his scyppende to
 765 teonan?

Se Godes þeowa ne mæg mid woruldmannum feohtan
 gif he on þam gastlican gefeohte forðgang habban sceall.
 Næs nan halig Godes þeowa æfter þæs hælendes
 þrowunga þe æfre on gefeohte his handa wolde afylan.
 770 Ac hi forbæreron ehtnysse arleasra cwellera, ⁊ heora lif
 sealdon mid unscæþþignysse for Godes geleafan; ⁊ hi
 mid Gode nu lybbað, forðan þe hi furþon noldon ænne
 fugel acwellan.

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762) *Benedictes*] *benedictus*, E; *regole*] *regule*, R;
woruldðingc] *woruldbing*, C, E, P, & R, *þing*, L; *wile*] *weole*,
 L. 763) *woruldlicum*] *woroldicum*, L; *awurpan*] *aworpan*,
 P. 764) *gewinn*] *gewin*, C; *þa*] om. C; *scyppende*] *sceppendes*,
 E. 767) *gastlican*] *gastlicum*, E & L; *gefeohte*] *gefeohta*, C;
sceall] *sceal*, C, L, P, & R, *scæl*, E. 769) *þrowunga*] *þrowunge*,
 C, E, L, P, & R; *handa*] *hand*, E. 770) *Ac*] a, P; *forbæreron*]
forbærar, E, L, & P; *ehtnysse*] *ehtnesse*, C, *ehtny\el\sse*, P;
arleasra] *eallra*, R. 771) *unscæþþignysse*] *unsceþþinesse*, C,
unscæðdigny\el\sse, P, *unscæðdignysse*, R. 772) *lybbað*] *lyb\bl\ð*,
 L; *hi furþon*] *hi forbæreron ⁊ furðon*, R; *ænne*] *æne*, C. 773)
fugel] *fugol*, L, P, & R.