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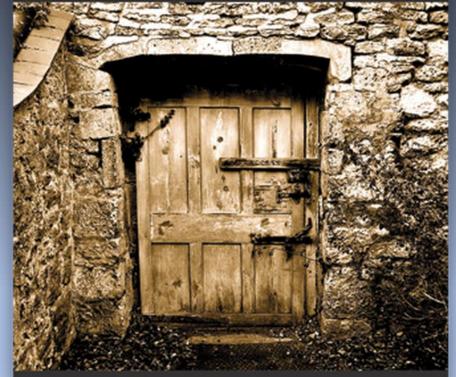
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F thou, Lord, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who should stand? But there is forgiveness with thee that I thou mayest be feared; with thee there is mercy, yea with our God there is plenteous redemption, and he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities. *Psalm 130:3, 4, 7, 8.*

Thy sacrifices, O God, are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise: Nay, though thou art the high and lofty One that inhabitest eternity, whose name is Holy; though the heaven be thy throne, and the earth thy footstool, yet to this man wilt thou look, that is poor and humble, of a broken and a contrite spirit, and that trembleth at thy word, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. *Psalm 51:17. Isaiah 57:15. Isaiah 66:1, 2. Isaiah 57:15.*

Thou hast graciously assured us, that though they that cover their sins shall not prosper, yet those that confess and forsake them shall find mercy. And when a poor penitent said, I will confess my transgression unto the Lord, thou forgavest the iniquity of his sin, and for this shall every one that is godly in like manner pray unto thee, in a time when thou mayest be found. *Proverbs* 28:13. Psalm 32:5, 6.

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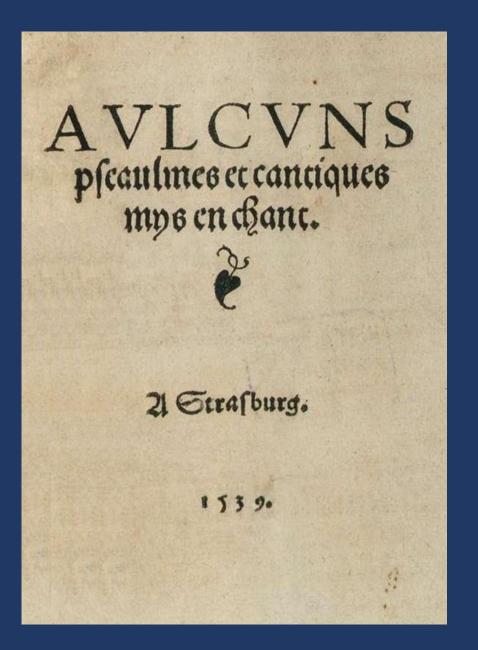
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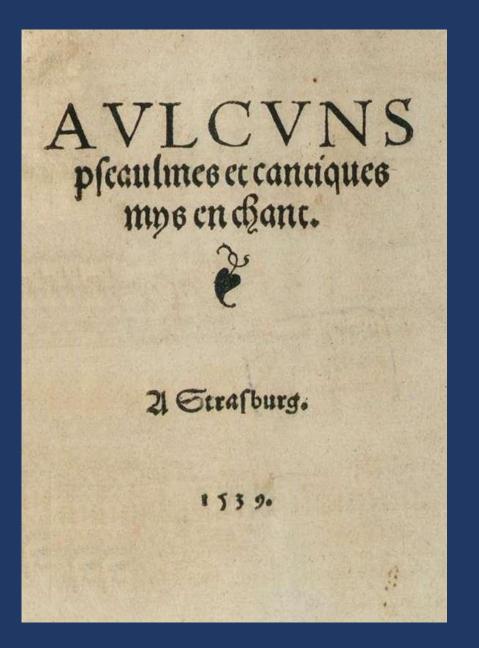
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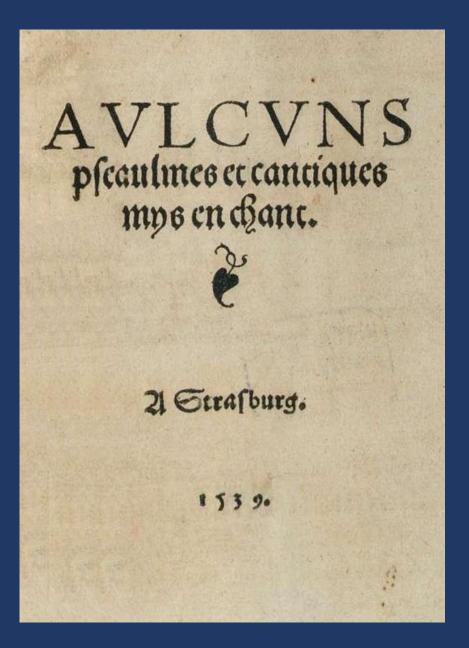
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The beginning of understanding is to know thyself to be a sinner.

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