

Of a truth against the holy Child Jesus whom thou hast appointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the people of Israel, were gathered together for to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done, *Acts* 4. 27, 28.

And *St. Paul, Rom.* 9. 16. It is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy. and *verse* 18, 19, 20. Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will have mercy, and whom he will he hardneth. Thou wilt say unto me why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will? Nay but, O man, who art thou that disputest against God? Shall the thing formed, say to him that formed it, why hast thou made me thus?

And again, *1 Cor.* 4. 7. Who maketh thee differ from another? and what hast thou that thou hast not received? and *1 Cor.* 12. 6. There are diversities of operations, but it is the same God that worketh all in all. and *Ephes.* 2. 10. We are his workmanship created in Jesus Christ unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. and *Phillip.* 2. 13. It is God that worketh in you both to Will and to Do, of his good pleasure.

To these places may be added all the places that make God the giver of all Graces, that is to say, of all good habits and inclinations; and all the places wherein men are said to be dead in sin: for by all these it is manifest that although a man may live holily if he will, yet to Will is the work of God, and not eligible by man.

A second sort of places there be, that make equally for the Bishop and Me; and they be such as say that a man hath Election, and may do many things if he will, and also if he will he may leave them undone; but not that God Almighty naturally or supernaturally worketh in us every act of the will, as in my opinion; nor that he worketh it not, as in the Bishops opinion; though he use those places as Arguments on his side.

The places are such as these, *Deut.* 30. 19. I call Heaven and Earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing. Therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live. and *Ecclesiasticus*,

