

# A PRAYER

*To be used every Day, next after the Prayer, in Time of War and Tumults, in all Cathedral, Collegiate, and Parochial Churches and Chapels throughout England and Ireland, during the War.*

O Almighty God, Maker of the Universe, and sovereign disposer of the Affairs of Men, at whose command Nations and Empires rise and fall, flourish and decay; We ~~thine unworthy servants most humbly implore thy gracious~~ aid and protection. We flee unto Thee for succour, in this time of Peril and Necessity, when, in defence of our Liberty, our Laws, and our Religion, we are exposed to the dangers and calamities of War, and threatened with Invasion by a fierce and haughty foe, who would swallow us up quick, so wrathfully is he displeas'd at us: for that we alone among the Nations are found to withstand his violent and unjust Ambition. Vouchsafe we beseech Thee thine especial Blessing and Protection to our most gracious Sovereign Lord, King George. Go forth with his fleets and armies; and let thy mighty arm be with his Chiefs and Captains, as it was of old with thy Servants, \*JUDAS and †JONATHAN and †SIMON, when they valiantly withstood the wicked Tyrants of their times, the enemies of Thy Truth, and the oppressors of thy People. Direct his Counsels, prosper all his measures for the Welfare of this Kingdom, and the preservation of our Church, and of our civil Constitution. And let no internal Divisions, nor any other Sins and Provocations of this Nation obstruct his Designs for the Public Good, nor bring down thy Judgements upon us. But spare thy People, O Lord, spare them; and, by thy Grace, so unite us in a Spirit of Obedience to thy Law, Zeal for thy Truth, and Loyalty to thine anointed Servant, whom thy good Providence has set over us, that we may evermore rejoice in thy Salvation. through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

\* 1 Maccabees, chap. 2. v. 66. † chap. 5. v. 17.