

Abstract. The *Psalmi penitentiales* are a rare case in the medieval tradition. Its close date of composition to the *Secretum* allows us to find many parallels with it. They both belong to a period of deep interest and attentive reading of Augustine's works. The critical tradition has paid little attention to these verses and there is no consensus regarding their meaning. Hence we consider of relevance making a new translation. In this opportunity, we offer the translation of the first of them.

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