

Psalms of Ablution

The following psalm are to sung to the melodic Psalms 83; 50
pattern as trophed in the text.

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Tone IV
Recitative

PSALM 83

The musical score for Psalm 83 is presented in a four-part setting for Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: "How love - ly is Your dwel - ling place O Migh - ty Lord of Hosts!". The score includes two melodic variants, [A] and [B], indicated above the notes. The Soprano and Alto parts are written on a treble clef staff, while the Tenor and Bass parts are on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

2. My soul yearns and pines for the courts of the Lord/ My heart and flesh have rejoiced in the living God.
3. For even the sparrow has found a home for itself / the swallow has a nest wherein to lay its young.
- 3b.) Even Your altar, O Lord of Hosts, / my King and my God!
4. Blessed are they who dwell in Your house; / Forever will they praise You.
5. Blessed are they who dwell in Your house / forever will they praise You.
6. To the valley of tears, the place that He has chosen / for there the law-giver will give blessing.
7. They will continue to grow in power; / the God of gods will appear in Zion.
8. O Lord God of Hosts, hear my prayer;/ Hear me, O God of Jacob.
9. Look, O God, our shield; / Behold the face of Your anointed.
10. One day in Your courts is better than thousands elsewhere; / I prefer to lie in the threshold of the house of my God than to live in the dwellings of sinners.
11. For the Lord loves mercy and truth; / God will give Grace and Glory.
- 11b), The Lord will not forsake the good / who walk in innocence.

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8. You will bring joy and gladness to my hearing, / and my humbled bones shall rejoice.
9. Turn Your countenance away from my sins / and wash away all my iniquities.
10. Create a clean heart in me, O God / and renew a right spirit within me.
11. Cast me not away from Your countenance / Take not Your Holy Spirit from me.
12. Give me the joy of Your salvation / Fortify me with Your guiding Spirit.
13. I shall teach Your ways to the wicked / and the impious shall return to You.
14. Deliver me from blood-guilt, God; O God of my salvation / my tongue shall rejoice in Your justice.
15. You will open my lips, Lord / and my mouth shall proclaim Your praise.
16. For had You desired sacrifice, I would have offered it; / but You take no delight in whole-burnt offerings.
17. The sacrifice to God is a contrite Spirit; / God will not despise a contrite and humble heart.
18. In Your good pleasure, Lord, bless Zion; that the walls of Jerusalem be rebuilt.
19. Then You will be pleased with just sacrifices, offerings and holocausts /
Then they will offer calves upon Your altar.

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