



1 Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, □

for it is good for the just to sing praises.

2 Praise the Lord with the lyre; □

on the ten-stringed harp sing his praise.

3 Sing for him a new song; □

play skilfully, with shouts of praise.

4 For the word of the Lord is true □

and all his works are sure.

5 He loves righteousness and justice; □

the earth is full of the loving-kindness of the Lord.

6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made □

and all their host by the breath of his mouth.

7 He gathers up the waters of the sea as in a waterskin □

and lays up the deep in his treasury.

8 Let all the earth fear the Lord; □

stand in awe of him, all who dwell in the world.

9 For he spoke, and it was done; □

he commanded, and it stood fast.

10 The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to naught; □

he frustrates the designs of the peoples.

11 But the counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever □

and the designs of his heart from generation to generation.

12 Happy the nation whose God is the Lord □

and the people he has chosen for his own.

13 The Lord looks down from heaven □

and beholds all the children of earth.

14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze □

on all who dwell on the earth.

15 He fashions all the hearts of them □

and understands all their works.

16 No king is saved by the might of his host; □

no warrior delivered by his great strength.

17 A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; □

for all its strength it cannot save.

18 Behold, the eye of the Lord

is upon those who fear him, □

on those who wait in hope for his steadfast love,

19 To deliver their soul from death □

and to feed them in time of famine.

20 Our soul waits longingly for the Lord; □

he is our help and our shield.

21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him; □

in his holy name have we put our trust.

22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, □

as we have set our hope on you.

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