

Have mercy on me, O God, in your great goodness; 1

according to the abundance of your compassion

blot out my offences.

2 Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness

and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I acknowledge my faults

and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against you only have I sinned

and done what is evil in your sight,

So that you are justified in your sentence 5

and righteous in your judgement.

6 Cast me not away from your presence

and take not your holy spirit from me.

Give me again the joy of your salvation 7

and sustain me with your gracious spirit;

8 Then shall I teach your ways to the wicked

and sinners shall return to you.

9 Deliver me from my guilt, O God,

the God of my salvation,

and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness.

Psalm 51.1-5,12-15

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All Glory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now

and shall be for ever. Amen.

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