

*Refrain:*

*All* **Blessed are those who believe,**

**for what God has promised will be fulfilled.**

1 My heart exults in the Lord; □

my strength is exalted in my God.

2 My mouth derides my enemies, □

because I rejoice in your salvation.

3 There is no Holy One like you, O Lord, □

nor any Rock like you, our God.

4 For you are a God of knowledge □

and by you our actions are weighed.

5 The bows of the mighty are broken, □

but the feeble gird on strength.

6 Those who were full now hire themselves out for bread, □

but those who were hungry are well fed.

7 The barren woman has borne sevenfold, □

but she who has many children is forlorn.

8 Both the poor and the rich are of your making; □

you bring low and you also exalt.

9 You raise up the poor from the dust, □

and lift the needy from the ash heap.

10 You make them sit with the rulers <sup>□</sup>

and inherit a place of honour.

11 For the pillars of the earth are yours <sup>□</sup>

and on them you have set the world.

*1 Samuel 2.1,2,3b-5,7,8*

**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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