

Refrain:

All **God has found the righteous worthy**

and their hope is full of immortality.

1 The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God □

and no torment will ever touch them.

2 In the eyes of the foolish, they seem to have died; □

but they are at peace.

3 For though, in the sight of others, they were punished, □

their hope is full of immortality.

4 Having been disciplined a little,

they will receive great good, □

because God tested them and found them worthy.

5 Like gold in the furnace, God tried them □

and, like a sacrificial burnt offering, accepted them.

6 In the time of their visitation, they will shine forth □

and will run like sparks through the stubble.

7 They will govern nations and rule over peoples □

and God will reign over them for ever.

Wisdom 3.1,2a,3b-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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