

1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel,

who has come to his people and set them free.

2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour,

born of the house of his servant David.

3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old

to save us from our enemies,

from the hands of all that hate us,

4 To show mercy to our ancestors,

and to remember his holy covenant.

5 This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

6 Free to worship him without fear,

holy and righteous in his sight

all the days of our life.

7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

8 To give his people knowledge of salvation

by the forgiveness of all their sins.

9 In the tender compassion of our God

the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,

and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

*Luke 1.68-79*

AllÂ Â Â **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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