1 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel:
for he hath visited, and redeemed his people;

2 And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us:
in the house of his servant David;

3 As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets:
which have been since the world began;

4 That we should be saved from our enemies:
and from the hands of all that hate us;

5 To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers:
and to remember his holy covenant;

6 To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham:
that he would give us,

7 That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies:
might serve him without fear,

8 In holiness and righteousness before him:
all the days of our life.

9 And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest:
for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;

10 To give knowledge of salvation unto his people:
for the remission of their sins;

11 Through the tender mercy of our God:
whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us;

12 Â To give light to them that sit in darkness,

Â Â Â Â and in the shadow of death:

and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

_Luke 1.68-79_

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:

and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:

world without end. Amen.

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