Refrain: Sing to God, sing praises to his name.

1 Let God arise and let his enemies be scattered; let those that hate him flee before him.

2 As the smoke vanishes, so may they vanish away; as wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; let them make merry with gladness.

4 Sing to God, sing praises to his name; exalt him who rides on the clouds. The Lord is his name; rejoice before him.

5 Father of the fatherless, defender of widows; God in his holy habitation!

6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners to songs of welcome; but the rebellious inhabit a burning desert. [R]

7 O God, when you went forth before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,

8 The earth shook and the heavens dropped down rain, at the presence of God, the Lord of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
9 You sent down a gracious rain, O God; you refreshed your inheritance when it was weary.

10 Your people came to dwell there; in your goodness, O God, you provide for the poor. [R]

11 The Lord gave the word; great was the company of women who bore the tidings:

12 Though you stayed among the sheepfolds, see now a dove's wings covered with silver

13 When the Almighty scattered the kings, it was like snowflakes falling on Zalmon. [R]

14 You mighty mountain, great mountain of Bashan! You towering mountain, great mountain of Bashan!

15 Why look with envy, you towering mountains, at the mount which God has desired for his dwelling, the place where the Lord will dwell for ever?

16 The chariots of God are twice ten thousand, even thousands upon thousands; the Lord is among them, the Lord of Sinai in holy power.

17 You have gone up on high and led captivity captive;
you have received tribute,
even from those who rebelled,
that you may reign as Lord and God. [R]

18Â Blessed be the Lord who bears our burdens day by day,Â for God is our salvation.

19Â God is for us the God of our salvation;Â God is the Lord who can deliver from death.

20Â God will smite the head of his enemies,Â the hairy scalp of those who walk in wickedness.

21Â The Lord has said, Â From the heights of Bashan,Â from the depths of the sea will I bring them back,

22Â Till you dip your foot in blood,Â and the tongue of your dogs has a taste of your enemies.

23Â We see your solemn processions, O God,Â your processions into the sanctuary, my God and my King.

24Â The singers go before, the musicians follow after,Â in the midst of maidens playing on timbrels.

25Â In your companies, bless your God,Â bless the Lord, you that are of the fount of Israel.

26Â At the head there is Benjamin, least of the tribes,Â the princes of Judah in joyful company,Â the princes of Zebulun and Naphtali. [R]
Send forth your strength, O God; establish, O God, what you have wrought in us.

For your temple’s sake in Jerusalem kings shall bring their gifts to you.

Drive back with your word the wild beast of the reeds, the herd of the bull-like, the brutish hordes.

Trample down those who lust after silver; scatter the peoples that delight in war.

Vessels of bronze shall be brought from Egypt; Ethiopia will stretch out her hands to God.

Sing to God, you kingdoms of the earth; make music in praise of the Lord;

He rides on the ancient heaven of heavens and sends forth his voice, a mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God, whose splendour is over Israel, whose power is above the clouds.

How terrible is God in his holy sanctuary, the God of Israel, who gives power and strength to his people!

Blessed be God.

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Blessed are you, gracious God;

you make your home among the weak,
you deliver us from death,

you bring us joy beyond our imagining

to the praise of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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