

*Refrain: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens.*

1 My heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready;

I will sing and give you praise.

2 Awake, my soul; awake, harp and lyre,

that I may awaken the dawn.

3 I will give you thanks, O Lord, among the peoples;

I will sing praise to you among the nations. [R]

4 For your loving-kindness is as high as the heavens

and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

5 Be exalted, O God, above the heavens

and your glory over all the earth.

6 That your beloved may be delivered,

save us by your right hand and answer me. [R]

7 God has spoken in his holiness:

I will triumph and divide Shechem

and share out the valley of Succoth.

8 Gilead is mine and Manasseh is mine;

Ephraim is my helmet and Judah my sceptre.

9 Moab shall be my washpot,

over Edom will I cast my sandal,

across Philistia will I shout in triumph. [R]

10 Who will lead me into the strong city?

Who will bring me into Edom?

11 Have you not cast us off, O God?

Will you no longer go forth with our troops?

12 O grant us your help against the enemy,

for earthly help is in vain.

13 Through God will we do great acts,

for it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

*Refrain: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens.*

*In times of terror, O God,*

*give us boldness*

*to act with courage, yet with mercy,*

*for you rule the nations with the*

*sword of truth;*

*in Jesus Christ our Lord.*

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