

Psalm 124

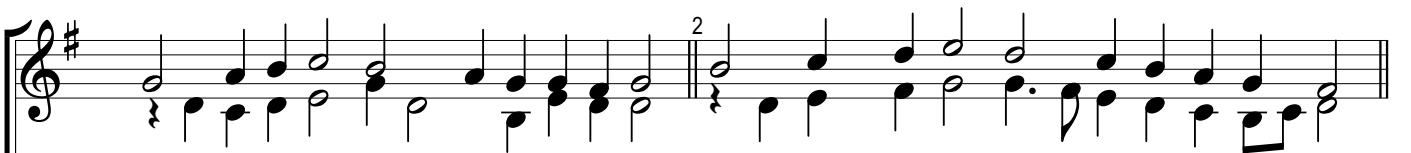
G Major

William Whittingham, 1560
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The Whole Booke of Psalmes, 1621.


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Soprano
Alto



1. Now Israel may say, and that truly, If that the Lord had not our cause maintained,
2. Then long ago they had devoured us all, And swallowed quick, for ought that we could deem;
3. The raging streams most proud in roaring noise, Had long ago o'erwhelmed us in the deep;

Tenor
Bass



4. E'en as a bird from fowler's gin or pen Escapes away, right so it fares with us;

S.
A.




1. If that the Lord had not our right sustained, When all the world against us furiously
2. Such was their rage, as we might well esteem; And as the floods with mighty force do fall,
3. Prais-ed be God, which doth us safely keep From bloody teeth, and their most cruel voice

T.
B.



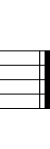
4. Broke are the nets, and we es-cap-ed thus. God that made heav'n and earth is our help then,

S.
A.



1. Made their uproars, and said, we should all die.
2. So had they now our lives e'en brought to thrall.
3. Which as a prey to eat us would rejoice.

T.
B.



4. His name hath saved us from these wicked men.

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1. All notes half value of original.

2. Converted to two staves: Soprano = *Tenor* in original, moved up one octave; Alto = *Medius*; Tenor = *Cantus*, down one octave; Bass = *Bassus*.

3. Whole moved down from C major to G major.