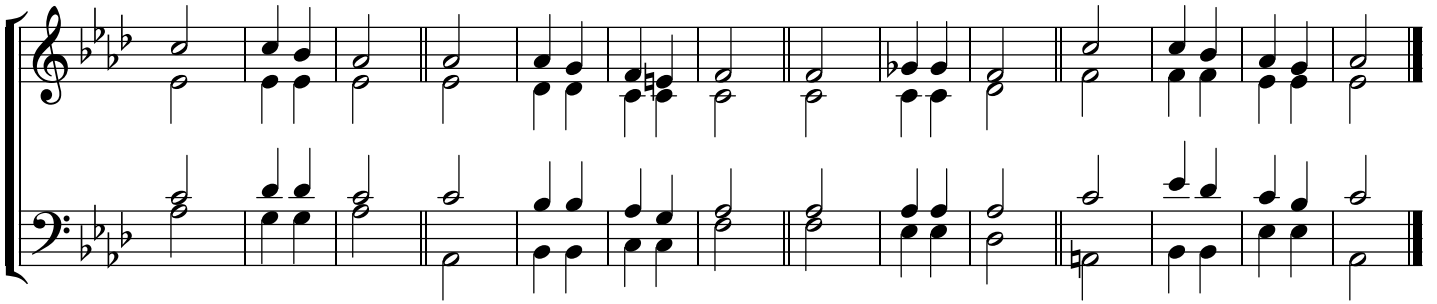


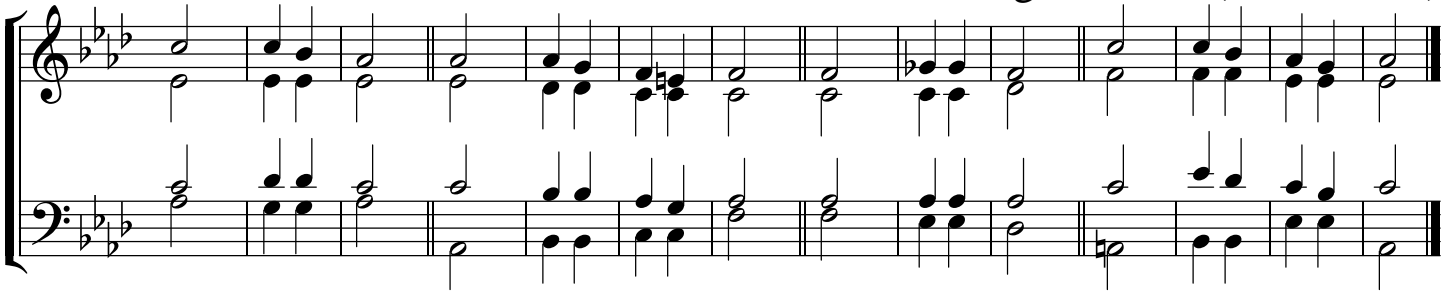
Psalm 50

George Holden (1800-1856)



1. The LORD, the | God of • gods, has | spoken; *
he has called the earth from the rising of the | **sun** | to its | setting.
2. Out of Zion, perfect | in its | beauty, *
God re- | veals him- | self in | glory.
3. Our God will come and will | not keep | silence; *
before him there is a consuming flame, and round | about • him a | raging | storm.
4. He calls the heavens and the earth | from a- | bove *
to witness the | judgment | of his | people.
5. "Gather before me my | loyal | followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me and | **seal'd** | it with | sacrifice.
6. Let the heavens declare the | rightness • of his | cause; *
for | God him- | self is | judge.
7. Hear, O my people, and I will speak: "O Israel, I will bear | witness • a- | gainst you: *
for | I am | God, your | God.
8. I do not accuse you be- | cause of • your | sacrifices; *
your offerings | are al- | ways be- | fore me.
9. I will take no bull-calf | from your | stalls, *
nor | he-goats | out of • your | pens;
10. For all the of the | forest • are | mine, *
the herds in their | thousands • up- | on the | hills.
11. I know every | bird • in the | sky, *
and the creatures of the | fields are | in my | sight.
12. If I were hungry, I | would not | tell you, *
for the whole world is | mine and | all • that is | in it.

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13. Do you think I eat the | flesh of | bulls, *
or | drink the | blood of | goats?
14. Offer to God a | sacri- • fice of | thanksgiving *
and make good your | **vows** | to the • Most | High.
15. Call upon me in the | day of | trouble; *
I will deliver you, and | you shall | honor | me."
16. But to the wicked | **God** | says: *
"Why do you recite my statutes, and take my | cove- • nant up- | on your | lips;
17. Since you re- | **fuse** | discipline, *
and toss my | words be- | hind your | back?
18. When you see a thief, you | make him • your | friend, *
and you | cast in | your lot • with a- | dulterers.
19. You have loosed your | lips for | evil, *
and harnessed your | **tongue** | to a | lie.
20. You are always speaking | evil • of your | brother *
and slandering your | **own** | mother's | son.
21. These things you have done, and | I kept | still, *
and you | thought that | I am | like you."
22. "I have made my | accu- | sation; *
I have put my case | in • order be- | fore your | eyes.
23. Consider this well, you | who for- • get | God, *
lest I rend you and there | be none | to de- | liver you.
24. Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving | honors | me; *
but to those who keep my way will I | show the • sal- | vation • of | God."