

# The Psalms of David in Metre, 1650

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### **Psalm 1:1-6 (Entire Psalm)**

#### **8,6,8,6 – CM (Arlington)**

<sup>1</sup> That man hath perfect blessedness,  
who walketh not astray  
In counsel of ungodly men,  
nor stands in sinners' way,

Nor sitteth in the scorner's chair:  
<sup>2</sup> But placeth his delight  
Upon God's law, and meditates  
on his law day and night.

<sup>3</sup> He shall be like a tree that grows  
near planted by a river,  
Which in his season yields his fruit,  
and his leaf fadeth never:

And all he doth shall prosper well.  
<sup>4</sup> The wicked are not so;  
But like they are unto the chaff,  
which wind drives to and fro.

<sup>5</sup> In judgment therefore shall not stand  
such as ungodly are;  
Nor in th' assembly of the just  
shall wicked men appear.

<sup>6</sup> For why? the way of godly men  
unto the Lord is known:  
Whereas the way of wicked men  
shall quite be overthrown.

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### **Psalm 2:1-5**

#### **8,6,8,6 – CM (Heaven)**

<sup>1</sup> Why rage the heathen? and vain things  
why do the people mind?  
<sup>2</sup> Kings of the earth do set themselves,  
and princes are combin'd,

To plot against the Lord, and his  
Anointed, saying thus,  
<sup>3</sup> Let us asunder break their bands,  
and cast their cords from us.

<sup>4</sup> He that in heaven sits shall laugh;  
the Lord shall scorn them all.

<sup>5</sup> Then shall he speak to them in wrath,  
in rage he vex them shall.

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**Psalm 3:1-4**

**A Psalm of David,  
when he fled from Absalom his son.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (New Britain)**

<sup>1</sup> O Lord, how are my foes increas'd?  
against me many rise.

<sup>2</sup> Many say of my soul, For him  
in God no succour lies.

<sup>3</sup> Yet thou my shield and glory art,  
th' uplifter of mine head.

<sup>4</sup> I cry'd, and, from his holy hill,  
the Lord me answer made.

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**Psalm 4:1-5**

**To the chief Musician on Neginoth,  
A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Howard)**

<sup>1</sup> Give ear unto me when I call,  
God of my righteousness:  
Have mercy, hear my pray'r; thou hast  
enlarg'd me in distress.

<sup>2</sup> O ye the sons of men! how long  
will ye love vanities?  
How long my glory turn to shame,  
and will ye follow lies?

<sup>3</sup> But know, that for himself the Lord  
the godly man doth chuse:  
The Lord, when I on him do call,  
to hear will not refuse.

<sup>4</sup> Fear, and sin not; talk with your heart  
on bed, and silent be.

<sup>5</sup> Offerings present of righteousness,  
and in the Lord trust ye.

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**Psalm 5:1-5:5.6**

**To the chief Musician, upon Nehiloth,  
A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Dunlap's Creek)**

<sup>1</sup> Give ear unto my words, O Lord,  
my meditation weigh.

<sup>2</sup> Hear my loud cry, my King, my God;  
for I to thee will pray.

<sup>3</sup> Lord, thou shalt early hear my voice:  
I early will direct  
My pray'r to thee; and, looking up,  
an answer will expect.

<sup>4</sup> For thou art not a God that doth  
in wickedness delight;

Neither shall evil dwell with thee,

<sup>5</sup> Nor fools stand in thy sight.

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**Psalm 6:1-4**

**To the chief Musician on Neginoth  
upon Sheminith, A Psalm of David.**

**First Version: 8,8,8,8 – LM (Woodsworth)**

<sup>1</sup> Lord, in thy wrath rebuke me not;  
Nor in thy hot rage chasten me.

<sup>2</sup> Lord, pity me, for I am weak:  
Heal me, for my bones vexed be.

<sup>3</sup> My soul is also vexed sore;  
But, Lord, how long stay wilt thou make?

<sup>4</sup> Return, O Lord, my soul set free;  
O save me, for thy mercies' sake.

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**Psalm 7:1-6**

**Shiggaion of David,  
which he sang unto the Lord,  
concerning the words of Cush the Benjamite.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Bethlehem)**

<sup>1</sup> O Lord my God, in thee do I  
my confidence repose:  
Save and deliver me from all  
my persecuting foes;

<sup>2</sup> Lest that the enemy my soul  
should, like a lion, tear,  
In pieces rending it, while there  
is no deliverer.

<sup>3</sup> O Lord my God, if it be so  
that I committed this;  
If it be so that in my hands  
iniquity there is:

<sup>4</sup> If I rewarded ill to him  
that was at peace with me;  
(Yea, ev'n the man that without cause  
my foe was I did free;)

<sup>5</sup> Then let the foe pursue and take  
my soul, and my life thrust

Down to the earth, and let him lay  
mine honour in the dust.

<sup>6</sup> Rise in thy wrath, Lord, raise thyself,  
for my foes raging be;  
And, to the judgment which thou hast  
commanded, wake for me.

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**Psalm 8:1-3**

**To the chief Musician upon Gittith, A Psalm of  
David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Azmon)**

<sup>1</sup> How excellent in all the earth,  
Lord, our Lord, is thy name!  
Who hast thy glory far advanc'd  
above the starry frame.

<sup>2</sup> From infants' and from sucklings' mouth  
thou didest strength ordain,  
For thy foes' cause, that so thou might'st  
th' avenging foe restrain.

<sup>3</sup> When I look up unto the heav'ns,  
which thine own fingers fram'd,  
Unto the moon, and to the stars,  
which were by thee ordain'd;

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**Psalm 9:1-9**

**To the chief Musician upon Muth-labben,  
A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Forest Green)**

<sup>1</sup> Lord, thee I'll praise with all my heart,  
thy wonders all proclaim.

<sup>2</sup> In thee, most High, I'll greatly joy,  
and sing unto thy name.

<sup>3</sup> When back my foes were turn'd, they fell,  
and perish'd at thy sight:

<sup>4</sup> For thou maintain'dst my right and cause;  
on throne sat'st judging right.

<sup>5</sup> The heathen thou rebuked hast,  
the wicked overthrown;  
Thou hast put out their names, that they  
may never more be known.

<sup>6</sup> O en'my! now destructions have  
an end perpetual:  
Thou cities raz'd; perish'd with them  
is their memorial.

<sup>7</sup> God shall endure for aye; he doth  
for judgment set his throne;

<sup>8</sup> In righteousness to judge the world,  
justice to give each one.

<sup>9</sup> God also will a refuge be  
for those that are oppress'd;  
A refuge will he be in times  
of trouble to distress'd.

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**Psalm 10:1-3**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (St. Agnes)**

<sup>1</sup> Wherefore is it that thou, O Lord,  
dost stand from us afar?  
And wherefore hidest thou thyself,  
when times so troublous are?

<sup>2</sup> The wicked in his loftiness  
doth persecute the poor:  
In these devices they have fram'd  
let them be taken sure.

<sup>3</sup> The wicked of his heart's desire  
doth talk with boasting great;  
He blesseth him that's covetous,  
whom yet the Lord doth hate.

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**Psalm 11:1-11:4.11**

**To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (St. Anne)**

<sup>1</sup> I in the Lord do put my trust:  
how is it then that ye  
Say to my soul, Flee, as a bird,  
unto your mountain high?

<sup>2</sup> For, lo, the wicked bend their bow,  
their shafts on string they fit,  
That those who upright are in heart  
they privily may hit.

<sup>3</sup> If the foundations be destroy'd,  
what hath the righteous done?

<sup>4</sup> God in his holy temple is,  
in heaven is his throne:

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**Psalm 12:1-4**

**To the chief Musician upon Sheminith,  
A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Belmont)**

<sup>1</sup> Help, Lord, because the godly man  
doth daily fade away;  
And from among the sons of men  
the faithful do decay.

<sup>2</sup> Unto his neighbour ev'ry one  
doth utter vanity:  
They with a double heart do speak,  
and lips of flattery.

<sup>3</sup> God shall cut off all flatt'ring lips,  
tongues that speak proudly thus,

<sup>4</sup> We'll with our tongue prevail, our lips  
are ours: who's lord o'er us?

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**Psalm 13:1-3**

**To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Meditation)**

<sup>1</sup> How long wilt thou forget me, Lord?  
shall it for ever be?  
O how long shall it be that thou  
wilt hide thy face from me?

<sup>2</sup> How long take counsel in my soul,  
still sad in heart, shall I?  
How long exalted over me  
shall be mine enemy?

<sup>3</sup> O Lord my God, consider well,  
and answer to me make:  
Mine eyes enlighten, lest the sleep  
of death me overtake:

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**Psalm 14:1-3**

**To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Maitland)**

<sup>1</sup> That there is not a God, the fool  
doth in his heart conclude:  
They are corrupt, their works are vile;  
not one of them doth good.

<sup>2</sup> Upon men's sons the Lord from heav'n  
did cast his eyes abroad,  
To see if any understood,  
and did seek after God.

<sup>3</sup> They altogether filthy are,  
they all aside are gone;  
And there is none that doeth good,  
yea, sure there is not one.

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**Psalm 15:1-3**

**A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Tallis, Original)**

<sup>1</sup> Within thy tabernacle, Lord,  
who shall abide with thee?  
And in thy high and holy hill  
who shall a dweller be?

<sup>2</sup> The man that walketh uprightly,  
and worketh righteousness,  
And as he thinketh in his heart,  
so doth he truth express.

<sup>3</sup> Who doth not slander with his tongue,  
nor to his friend doth hurt;  
Nor yet against his neighbour doth  
take up an ill report.

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**Psalm 16:1-5**

**Michtam of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Auld Lang Syne)**

<sup>1</sup> Lord, keep me; for I trust in thee.

<sup>2</sup> To God thus was my speech,  
Thou art my Lord; and unto thee  
my goodness doth not reach:

<sup>3</sup> To saints on earth, to th' excellent,  
where my delight's all plac'd.

<sup>4</sup> Their sorrows shall be multiply'd  
to other gods that haste:

Of their drink-offerings of blood  
I will no offring make;  
Yea, neither I their very names  
up in my lips will take.

<sup>5</sup> God is of mine inheritance  
and cup the portion;  
The lot that fallen is to me  
thou dost maintain alone.

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**Psalm 17:1-4**

**A Prayer of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Weymouth)**

<sup>1</sup> Lord, hear the right, attend my cry,  
unto my pray'r give heed,  
That doth not in hypocrisy  
from feigned lips proceed.

<sup>2</sup> And from before thy presence forth  
my sentence do thou send:  
Toward these things that equal are  
do thou thine eyes intend.

<sup>3</sup> Thou prov'dst mine heart, thou visit'dst me  
by night, thou didst me try,  
Yet nothing found'st; for that my mouth  
shall not sin, purpos'd I.

<sup>4</sup> As for men's works, I, by the word  
that from thy lips doth flow,  
Did me preserve out of the paths  
wherein destroyers go.

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### Psalm 18:1-5

**To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David, the servant of the Lord, who spake unto the Lord the words of this song in the day that the Lord delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul: And he said,**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (All Saints New)**

<sup>1</sup> Thee will I love, O Lord, my strength.

<sup>2</sup> My fortress is the Lord,  
My rock, and he that doth to me  
deliverance afford:

My God, my strength, whom I will trust,  
a buckler unto me,  
The horn of my salvation,  
and my high tow'r, is he.

<sup>3</sup> Upon the Lord, who worthy is  
of praises, will I cry;  
And then shall I preserved be  
safe from mine enemy.

<sup>4</sup> Floods of ill men affrighted me,  
death's pangs about me went;

<sup>5</sup> Hell's sorrows me environed;  
death's snares did me prevent.

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### Psalm 19:1-6

**To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CMD (Fountain)**

<sup>1</sup> The heav'ns God's glory do declare,  
the skies his hand-works preach:

<sup>2</sup> Day utters speech to day, and night  
to night doth knowledge teach.

<sup>3</sup> There is no speech nor tongue to which  
their voice doth not extend:

<sup>4</sup> Their line is gone through all the earth,  
their words to the world's end.

In them he set the sun a tent;

<sup>5</sup> Who, bridegroom-like, forth goes  
From's chamber, as a strong man doth  
to run his race rejoice.

<sup>6</sup> From heav'n's end is his going forth,  
circling to th' end again;  
And there is nothing from his heat  
that hidden doth remain.

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### Psalm 20:1-5

**To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Stockton)**

<sup>1</sup> Jehovah hear thee in the day  
when trouble he doth send:  
And let the name of Jacob's God  
thee from all ill defend.

<sup>2</sup> O let him help send from above,  
out of his sanctuary:  
From Sion, his own holy hill,  
let him give strength to thee.

<sup>3</sup> Let him remember all thy gifts,  
accept thy sacrifice:

<sup>4</sup> Grant thee thine heart's wish, and fulfil  
thy thoughts and counsel wise.

<sup>5</sup> In thy salvation we will joy;  
in our God's name we will  
Display our banners: and the Lord  
thy prayers all fulfil.

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**Psalm 21:1-4**

**To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Noel)**

<sup>1</sup> The king in thy great strength, O Lord,  
shall very joyful be:  
In thy salvation rejoice  
how veh'mently shall he!

<sup>2</sup> Thou hast bestowed upon him  
all that his heart would have;  
And thou from him didst not withhold  
whate'er his lips did crave.

<sup>3</sup> For thou with blessings him prevent'st  
of goodness manifold;  
And thou hast set upon his head  
a crown of purest gold.

<sup>4</sup> When he desired life of thee,  
thou life to him didst give;  
Ev'n such a length of days, that he  
for evermore should live.

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**Psalm 22:1-5**

**To the chief Musician upon Aijeleth Shahar,  
A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Kingsfold)**

<sup>1</sup> My God, my God, why hast thou me  
forsaken? why so far  
Art thou from helping me, and from  
my words that roaring are?

<sup>2</sup> All day, my God, to thee I cry,  
yet am not heard by thee;  
And in the season of the night  
I cannot silent be.

<sup>3</sup> But thou art holy, thou that dost  
inhabit Isr'el's praise.

<sup>4</sup> Our fathers hop'd in thee, they hop'd  
and thou didst them release.

<sup>5</sup> When unto thee they sent their cry,  
to them deliv'rance came:  
Because they put their trust in thee,  
they were not put to shame.

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**Psalm 23:1-6 (Entire Psalm)**

**A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Crimond)**

<sup>1</sup> The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.

<sup>2</sup> He makes me down to lie  
In pastures green: he leadeth me  
the quiet waters by.

<sup>3</sup> My soul he doth restore again;  
and me to walk doth make  
Within the paths of righteousness,  
ev'n for his own name's sake.

<sup>4</sup> Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
yet will I fear none ill:  
For thou art with me; and thy rod  
and staff me comfort still.

<sup>5</sup> My table thou hast furnished  
in presence of my foes;  
My head thou dost with oil anoint,  
and my cup overflows.

<sup>6</sup> Goodness and mercy all my life  
shall surely follow me:  
And in God's house for evermore  
my dwelling-place shall be.

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**Psalm 24:1-6**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Verina)**

<sup>1</sup> The earth belongs unto the Lord,  
and all that it contains;  
The world that is inhabited,  
and all that there remains.

<sup>2</sup> For the foundations thereof  
he on the seas did lay,  
And he hath it established  
upon the floods to stay.

<sup>3</sup> Who is the man that shall ascend  
into the hill of God?  
Or who within his holy place  
shall have a firm abode?

<sup>4</sup> Whose hands are clean, whose heart is pure,  
and unto vanity  
Who hath not lifted up his soul,  
nor sworn deceitfully.

<sup>5</sup> He from th' Eternal shall receive  
the blessing him upon,  
And righteousness, ev'n from the God  
of his salvation.

<sup>6</sup> This is the generation  
that after him enquire,  
O Jacob, who do seek thy face  
with their whole heart's desire.

<sup>4</sup> Shew me thy ways, O Lord;  
thy paths, O teach thou me:  
<sup>5</sup> And do thou lead me in thy truth,  
therein my teacher be:

For thou art God that dost  
to me salvation send,  
And I upon thee all the day  
expecting do attend.

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**Psalm 26:1-5**

**A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Consolation)**

<sup>1</sup> Judge me, O Lord, for I have walk'd  
in mine integrity:  
I trusted also in the Lord;  
slide therefore shall not I.

<sup>2</sup> Examine me, and do me prove;  
try heart and reins, O God:

<sup>3</sup> For thy love is before mine eyes,  
thy truth's paths I have trode.

<sup>4</sup> With persons vain I have not sat,  
nor with dissemblers gone:

<sup>5</sup> Th' assembly of ill men I hate;  
to sit with such I shun.

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**Psalm 25:1-5**

**A Psalm of David.**

**First Version - 6,6,8,6 – SMD (Leominster)**

<sup>1</sup> To thee I lift my soul:

<sup>2</sup> O Lord, I trust in thee:

My God, let me not be asham'd,  
nor foes triumph o'er me.

<sup>3</sup> Let none that wait on thee

be put to shame at all;

But those that without cause transgress,

let shame upon them fall.



**Psalm 27:1-4**

**A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Faith is the Victory)**

<sup>1</sup> The Lord's my light and saving health,  
who shall make me dismay'd?  
My life's strength is the Lord, of whom  
then shall I be afraid?

<sup>2</sup> When as mine enemies and foes,  
most wicked persons all,  
To eat my flesh against me rose,  
they stumbled and did fall.

<sup>3</sup> Against me though an host encamp,  
my heart yet fearless is:  
Though war against me rise, I will  
be confident in this.

<sup>4</sup> One thing I of the Lord desir'd,  
and will seek to obtain,  
That all days of my life I may  
within God's house remain;

That I the beauty of the Lord  
behold may and admire,  
And that I in his holy place  
may rev'rently enquire.

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**Psalm 28:1-4**

**A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Dundee)**

<sup>1</sup> To thee I'll cry, O Lord, my rock;  
hold not thy peace to me;  
Lest like those that to pit descend  
I by thy silence be.

<sup>2</sup> The voice hear of my humble pray'rs,  
when unto thee I cry;  
When to thine holy oracle  
I lift mine hands on high.

<sup>3</sup> With ill men draw me not away  
that work iniquity;  
That speak peace to their friends, while in  
their hearts doth mischief lie.

<sup>3</sup> With ill men draw me not away  
that work iniquity;  
That speak peace to their friends, while in  
their hearts doth mischief lie.

<sup>4</sup> Give them according to their deeds  
and ill's endeavoured:  
And as their handy-works deserve,  
to them be rendered.

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**Psalm 29:1-4**

**A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Sunderland)**

<sup>1</sup> Give ye unto the Lord, ye sons  
that of the mighty be,  
All strength and glory to the Lord  
with cheerfulness give ye.

<sup>2</sup> Unto the Lord the glory give  
that to his name is due;  
And in the beauty of holiness  
unto Jehovah bow.

<sup>3</sup> The Lord's voice on the waters is;  
the God of majesty  
Doth thunder, and on multitudes  
of waters sitteth he.

<sup>4</sup> A pow'rful voice it is that comes  
out from the Lord most high;  
The voice of that great Lord is full  
of glorious majesty.

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**Psalm 30:1-4**

**A Psalm and Song at the dedication  
of the house of David.**

**8,6,8,6 (Martyrdom)**

<sup>1</sup> Lord, I will thee extol, for thou  
hast lifted me on high,  
And over me thou to rejoice  
mad'st not mine enemy.

<sup>2</sup> O thou who art the Lord my God,  
I in distress to thee,  
With loud cries lifted up my voice,  
and thou hast healed me.

<sup>3</sup> O Lord, my soul thou hast brought up,  
and rescu'd from the grave;  
That I to pit should not go down,  
alive thou didst me save.

<sup>4</sup> O ye that are his holy ones,  
sing praise unto the Lord;  
And give unto him thanks, when ye  
his holiness record.

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**Psalm 31:1-4**

**To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Gabriel)**

<sup>1</sup> In thee, O Lord, I put my trust,  
sham'd let me never be;  
According to thy righteousness  
do thou deliver me.

<sup>2</sup> Bow down thine ear to me, with speed  
send me deliverance:  
To save me, my strong rock be thou,  
and my house of defence.

<sup>3</sup> Because thou art my rock, and thee  
I for my fortress take;  
Therefore do thou me lead and guide,  
ev'n for thine own name's sake.

<sup>4</sup> And sith thou art my strength, therefore  
pull me out of the net,  
Which they in subtilty for me  
so privily have set.

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**Psalm 32:1-4**

**A Psalm of David, Maschil.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Vox Delecti)**

<sup>1</sup> O blessed is the man to whom  
is freely pardoned  
All the transgression he hath done,  
whose sin is covered.

<sup>2</sup> Bless'd is the man to whom the Lord  
imputeth not his sin,  
And in whose sp'rit there is no guile,  
nor fraud is found therein.

<sup>3</sup> When as I did refrain my speech,  
and silent was my tongue,  
My bones then waxed old, because  
I roared all day long.

<sup>4</sup> For upon me both day and night  
thine hand did heavy lie,  
So that my moisture turned is  
in summer's drought thereby.

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**Psalm 33:1-4**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Catherine)**

<sup>1</sup> Ye righteous, in the Lord rejoice;  
it comely is and right,  
That upright men, with thankful voice,  
should praise the Lord of might.

<sup>2</sup> Praise God with harp, and unto him  
sing with the psaltery;  
Upon a ten-string'd instrument  
make ye sweet melody.

<sup>3</sup> A new song to him sing, and play  
with loud noise skilfully;

<sup>4</sup> For right is God's word, all his works  
are done in verity.

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**Psalm 34:1-7**

**A Psalm of David, when he changed  
his behaviour before Abimelech;  
who drove him away, and he departed.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Hudson)**

<sup>1</sup> God will I bless all times; his praise  
my mouth shall still express.

<sup>2</sup> My soul shall boast in God: the meek  
shall hear with joyfulness.

<sup>3</sup> Extol the Lord with me, let us  
exalt his name together.

<sup>4</sup> I sought the Lord, he heard, and did  
me from all fears deliver.

<sup>5</sup> They look'd to him, and lighten'd were:  
not shamed were their faces.

<sup>6</sup> This poor man cry'd, God heard, and sav'd  
him from all his distresses.

<sup>7</sup> The angel of the Lord encamps,  
and round encompasseth  
All those about that do him fear,  
and them delivereth.

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**Psalm 35:1-5**

**A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (St. Michels)**

<sup>1</sup> Plead, Lord, with those that plead; and fight  
with those that fight with me.

<sup>2</sup> Of shield and buckler take thou hold,  
stand up mine help to be.

<sup>3</sup> Draw also out the spear, and do  
against them stop the way  
That me pursue: unto my soul,  
I'm thy salvation, say.

<sup>4</sup> Let them confounded be and sham'd  
that for my soul have sought:  
Who plot my hurt turn'd back be they,  
and to confusion brought.

<sup>5</sup> Let them be like unto the chaff  
that flies before the wind;  
And let the angel of the Lord  
pursue them hard behind.

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**Psalm 36:1-4**

**To the chief Musician,  
A Psalm of David, the servant of the Lord.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Saxony)**

<sup>1</sup> The wicked man's transgression  
within my heart thus says,  
Undoubtedly the fear of God  
is not before his eyes.

<sup>2</sup> Because himself he flattereth  
in his own blinded eye,  
Until the hatefulness be found  
of his iniquity.

<sup>3</sup> Words from his mouth proceeding are,  
fraud and iniquity:  
He to be wise, and to do good,  
hath left off utterly.

<sup>4</sup> He mischief, lying on his bed,  
most cunningly doth plot:  
He sets himself in ways not good,  
ill he abhorreth not.

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**Psalm 37:1-5**

**A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Ellacombe)**

<sup>1</sup> For evil-doers fret thou not  
thyself unquietly;  
Nor do thou envy bear to those  
that work iniquity.

<sup>2</sup> For, even like unto the grass,  
soon be cut down shall they;  
And, like the green and tender herb,  
they wither shall away.

<sup>3</sup> Set thou thy trust upon the Lord,  
and be thou doing good;  
And so thou in the land shalt dwell,  
and verily have food.

<sup>4</sup> Delight thyself in God; he'll give  
thine heart's desire to thee.

<sup>5</sup> Thy way to God commit, him trust,  
it bring to pass shall he.

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**Psalm 38:1-4**

**A Psalm of David, to bring to remembrance.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Ella)**

<sup>1</sup> In thy great indignation,  
O Lord, rebuke me not;  
Nor on me lay thy chast'ning hand,  
in thy displeasure hot.

<sup>2</sup> For in me fast thine arrows stick,  
thine hand doth press me sore:

<sup>3</sup> And in my flesh there is no health,  
nor soundness any more.

This grief I have, because thy wrath  
is forth against me gone;  
And in my bones there is no rest,  
for sin that I have done.

<sup>4</sup> Because gone up above mine head  
my great transgressions be;  
And, as a weighty burden, they  
too heavy are for me.

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**Psalm 39:1-4**

**To the chief Musician, even to Jeduthan,  
A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Winchester Old)**

<sup>1</sup> I said, I will look to my ways,  
lest with my tongue I sin:  
In sight of wicked men my mouth  
with bridle I'll keep in.

<sup>2</sup> With silence I as dumb became,  
I did myself restrain  
From speaking good; but then the more  
increased was my pain.

<sup>3</sup> My heart within me waxed hot;  
and, while I musing was,  
The fire did burn; and from my tongue  
these words I did let pass:

<sup>4</sup> Mine end, and measure of my days,  
O Lord, unto me show  
What is the same; that I thereby  
my frailty well may know.

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**Psalm 40:1-4**

**To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Covenanters)**

<sup>1</sup> I waited for the Lord my God,  
and patiently did bear;  
At length to me he did incline  
my voice and cry to hear.

<sup>2</sup> He took me from a fearful pit,  
and from the miry clay,  
And on a rock he set my feet,  
establishing my way.

<sup>3</sup> He put a new song in my mouth,  
our God to magnify:  
Many shall see it, and shall fear,  
and on the Lord rely.

<sup>4</sup> O blessed is the man whose trust  
upon the Lord relies;  
Respecting not the proud, nor such  
as turn aside to lies.

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**Psalm 41:1-4**

**To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Clonmel)**

<sup>1</sup> Blessed is he that wisely doth  
the poor man's case consider;  
For when the time of trouble is,  
the Lord will him deliver.

<sup>2</sup> God will him keep, yea, save alive;  
on earth he bless'd shall live;  
And to his enemies' desire  
thou wilt him not up give.

<sup>3</sup> God will give strength when he on bed  
of languishing doth mourn;  
And in his sickness sore, O Lord,  
thou all his bed wilt turn.

<sup>4</sup> I said, O Lord, do thou extend  
thy mercy unto me;  
O do thou heal my soul; for why?  
I have offended thee.

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**Psalm 42:1-4**

**To the chief Musician, Maschil,  
for the sons of Korah.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (St. Agnes)**

<sup>1</sup> Like as the hart for water-brooks  
in thirst doth pant and bray;  
So pants my longing soul, O God,  
that come to thee I may.

<sup>2</sup> My soul for God, the living God,  
doth thirst: when shall I near  
Unto thy countenance approach,  
and in God's sight appear?

<sup>3</sup> My tears have unto me been meat,  
both in the night and day,  
While unto me continually,  
Where is thy God? they say.

<sup>4</sup> My soul is poured out in me,  
when this I think upon;  
Because that with the multitude  
I heretofore had gone:

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**Psalm 43:1-4**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Boston)**

<sup>1</sup> Judge me, O God, and plead my cause  
against th' ungodly nation;  
From the unjust and crafty man,  
O be thou my salvation.

<sup>2</sup> For thou the God art of my strength;  
why thrusts thou me thee fro'?  
For th' enemy's oppression  
why do I mourning go?

<sup>3</sup> O send thy light forth and thy truth;  
let them be guides to me,  
And bring me to thine holy hill,  
ev'n where thy dwellings be.

<sup>4</sup> Then will I to God's altar go,  
to God my chiefest joy:  
Yea, God, my God, thy name to praise  
my harp I will employ.

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**Psalm 44:1-44:5.13**

**To the chief Musician for the sons of Korah,  
Maschil.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Peniel)**

<sup>1</sup> O God, we with our ears have heard,  
our fathers have us told,  
What works thou in their days hadst done,  
ev'n in the days of old.

<sup>2</sup> Thy hand did drive the heathen out,  
and plant them in their place;  
Thou didst afflict the nations,  
but them thou didst increase.

<sup>3</sup> For neither got their sword the land,  
nor did their arm them save;  
But thy right hand, arm, countenance;  
for thou them favour gave.

<sup>4</sup> Thou art my King: for Jacob, Lord,  
deliv'rances command.

<sup>5</sup> Through thee we shall push down our foes,  
that do against us stand:

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**Psalm 45:1-3 (Second Version)**

**To the chief Musician upon Shoshannim, for the  
sons of Korah, Maschil, A Song of loves.**

**6,6,8,6 – SM (Welcome Voice)**

<sup>1</sup> My heart inditing is  
good matter in a song:  
I speak the things that I have made,  
which to the King belong:

My tongue shall be as quick,  
his honour to indite,  
As is the pen of any scribe  
that useth fast to write.

<sup>2</sup> Thou'rt fairest of all men;  
grace in thy lips doth flow:  
And therefore blessings evermore  
on thee doth God bestow.

<sup>3</sup> Thy sword gird on thy thigh,  
thou that art most of might:  
Appear in dreadful majesty,  
and in thy glory bright.

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**Psalm 46:1-5**

**To the chief Musician, for the sons of Korah,  
A Song upon Alomoth.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Materna)**

<sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and our strength,  
in straits a present aid;  
<sup>2</sup> Therefore, although the earth remove,  
we will not be afraid:

Though hills amidst the seas be cast;  
<sup>3</sup> Though waters roaring make,  
And troubled be; yea, though the hills,  
by swelling seas do shake.

<sup>4</sup> A river is, whose streams do glad  
the city of our God;  
The holy place, wherein the Lord  
most high hath his abode.

<sup>5</sup> God in the midst of her doth dwell;  
nothing shall her remove:  
The Lord to her an helper will,  
and that right early, prove.

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**Psalm 47:1-6**

**To the chief Musician,  
A Psalm for the sons of Korah.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Rest)**

<sup>1</sup> All people, clap your hands; to God  
with voice of triumph shout:

<sup>2</sup> For dreadful is the Lord most high,  
great King the earth throughout.

<sup>3</sup> The heathen people under us  
he surely shall subdue;  
And he shall make the nations  
under our feet to bow.

<sup>4</sup> The lot of our inheritance  
chuse out for us shall he,  
Of Jacob, whom he loved well,  
ev'n the excellency.

<sup>5</sup> God is with shouts gone up, the Lord  
with trumpets sounding high.

<sup>6</sup> Sing praise to God, sing praise, sing praise,  
praise to our King sing ye.

**Psalm 49:1-6**

**To the chief Musician,  
A Psalm for the sons of Korah.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Ephratah)**

<sup>1</sup> Hear this, all people, and give ear,  
all in the world that dwell;  
<sup>2</sup> Both low and high, both rich and poor.  
<sup>3</sup> My mouth shall wisdom tell:

My heart shall knowledge meditate.

<sup>4</sup> I will incline mine ear  
To parables, and on the harp  
my sayings dark declare.

<sup>5</sup> Amidst those days that evil be,  
why should I, fearing, doubt?  
When of my heels th' iniquity  
shall compass me about.

<sup>6</sup> Whoe'er they be that in their wealth  
their confidence do pitch,  
And boast themselves, because they are  
become exceeding rich:

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**Psalm 48:1-4**

**A Song and Psalm for the sons of Korah.**

**8,6,8,6 – CM (Zerah)**

<sup>1</sup> Great is the Lord, and greatly he  
is to be praised still,  
Within the city of our God,  
upon his holy hill.

<sup>2</sup> Mount Sion stands most beautiful,  
the joy of all the land;  
The city of the mighty King  
on her north side doth stand.

<sup>3</sup> The Lord within her palaces  
is for a refuge known.

<sup>4</sup> For, lo, the kings that gather'd were  
together, by have gone.

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**Psalm 50:1-4 (First Version)**

**A Psalm of Asaph.**

**6,6,8,6 – SM (Diademata)**

<sup>1</sup> The mighty God, the Lord,  
hath spoken, and did call  
The earth, from rising of the sun,  
to where he hath his fall.

<sup>2</sup> From out of Sion hill,  
which of excellency  
And beauty the perfection is,  
God shined gloriously.

<sup>3</sup> Our God shall surely come,  
keep silence shall not he:  
Before him fire shall waste, great storms  
shall round about him be.

<sup>4</sup> Unto the heavens clear  
he from above shall call,  
And to the earth likewise, that he  
may judge his people all.

## Psalm Selections, Meter, and Tunes

Psalm	Meter	Tune Name
Psalm 1:1-6 (Entire Psalm)	8,6,8,6 – CM	Arlington
Psalm 2:1-5	8,6,8,6 – CM	Heaven
Psalm 3:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	New Britain
Psalm 4:1-5	8,6,8,6 – CM	Howard
Psalm 5:1-5:5.6	8,6,8,6 – CM	Dunlap's Creek
Psalm 6:1-4 (1 <sup>st</sup> Version)	8,8,8,8 – LM	Woodsworth
Psalm 7:1-6	8,6,8,6-8,6,8,6– CMD	Bethlehem
Psalm 8:1-3	8,6,8,6 – CM	Azmon
Psalm 9:1-9	8,6,8,6 – CM	Forest Green
Psalm 10:1-3	8,6,8,6 – CM	St. Agnes
Psalm 11:1-11:4.11	8,6,8,6 – CM	St. Anne
Psalm 12:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Belmont
Psalm 13:1-3	8,6,8,6 – CM	Meditation
Psalm 14:1-3	8,6,8,6 – CM	Maitland
Psalm 15:1-3	8,6,8,6 – CM	Tallis, Original
Psalm 16:1-5	8,6,8,6 – CM	Auld Lang Syne
Psalm 17:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Weymouth
Psalm 18:1-5	8,6,8,6-8,6,8,6 – CMD	All Saints New
Psalm 19:1-6	8,6,8,6-8,6,8,6– CMD	Fountain
Psalm 20:1-5	8,6,8,6 – CM	Stockton
Psalm 21:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Noel
Psalm 22:1-5	8,6,8,6 – CM	Kingsfold
Psalm 23:1-6 (Entire Psalm)	8,6,8,6 – CM	Crimond
Psalm 24:1-6	8,6,8,6 – CM	Verina
Psalm 25:1-5 (1 <sup>st</sup> Version)	6,6,8,6-6,6,8,6 – SMD	Leominster
Psalm 26:1-5	8,6,8,6 – CM	Consolation
Psalm 27:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Faith is the Victory
Psalm 28:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Dundee
Psalm 29:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Sunderland
Psalm 30:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Martyrdom
Psalm 31:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Gabriel
Psalm 32:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Vox Delecti
Psalm 33:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Catherine
Psalm 34:1-7	8,6,8,6 – CM	Hudson



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Psalm 35:1-5	8,6,8,6 – CM	St. Michels
Psalm 36:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Saxony
Psalm 37:1-5	8,6,8,6-8,6,8,6– CMD	Ellacombe
Psalm 38:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Ella
Psalm 39:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Winchester Old
Psalm 40:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Covenanters
Psalm 41:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Clonmel
Psalm 42:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	St. Agnes
Psalm 43:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Boston
Psalm 44:1-44:5.13	8,6,8,6 – CM	Peniel
Psalm 45:1-3 (2 <sup>nd</sup> version)	6,6,8,6 – SM	Welcome Voice
Psalm 46:1-5	8,6,8,6 – CM	Materna
Psalm 47:1-6	8,6,8,6 – CM	Rest
Psalm 48:1-4	8,6,8,6 – CM	Zerah
Psalm 49:1-6	8,6,8,6 – CM	Ephratah
Psalm 50:1-4 (1 <sup>st</sup> Version)	6,6,8,6 – SM	Diademata

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