

Be Merciful, O Lord (Psalm 51)

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Psalm 51: 3-6, 12-14, 17

mournful ♩=110

Intro.

mp Gm A A7 Dsus2

(guitar)

Refrain

mp Dm Gm *a tempo* A Dm Dm/C

4 Harmony (top)
Melody (bottom)

Be mer__ ci-ful, Lord. Be mer__ ci-ful, O

Dm/B^b Gm A A7(b13) A7 Dm Dsus2

8 Lord. Be mer__ ci-ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

1. repeat 1st x only

Verse 1

Dm Dsus2 D Gm

12 2, 3, 4, 5. to verses last time to CODA

sinned. Have mer-cy on me, O God, in your

Dm Gm A

16 God-ness; in the great-ness of your com - pas - sion wipe

Dm Dm *mf* Gm

20 out my in - fense. Tho - rough - ly wash me from my

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Dm Gm

24
guilt and of my sin

A7(b13) rit. A7 D(omit3) mp D.S. Verse 2 Dm

28
cleans me. Be For I ac -

Gm Dm G

32
know - ledge my of - fense, and my sin is be -

A7 Dm mf

36
fore me al - ways: "A- gainst you

Gm Dm Bb

40
on - ly sinned, and done what is

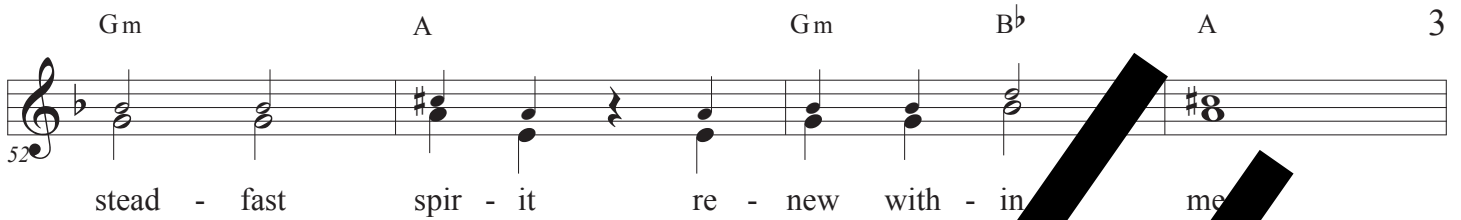
Gm A7 rit. Verse 3 D(omit3) Dm D.S. mf

44
ev - il your ight." Be A

Gm Dm

48
clean heart cre - ate for me, O God, and a

Gm A Gm B^b A 3



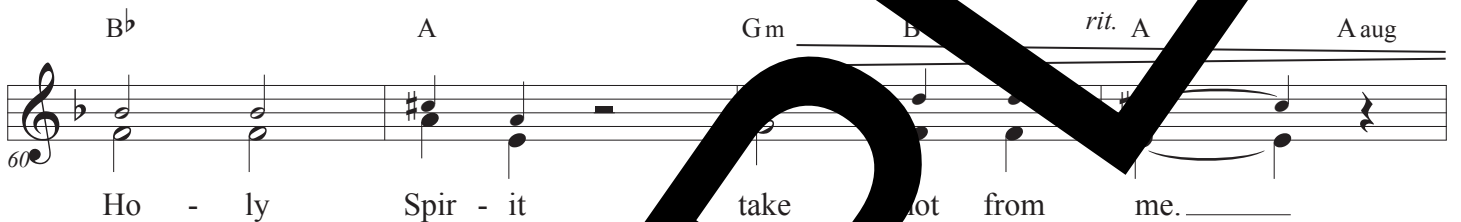
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stead - fast spir - it re - new with - in me

Dm Gm Dm



56
Cast me not out from your pre - sence, and your

B^b A Gm B^b rit. A A aug

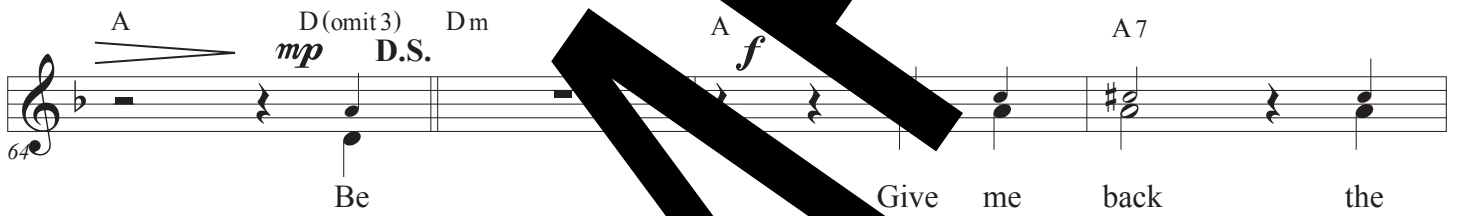


60
Ho - ly Spir - it take not from me.

Verse 4

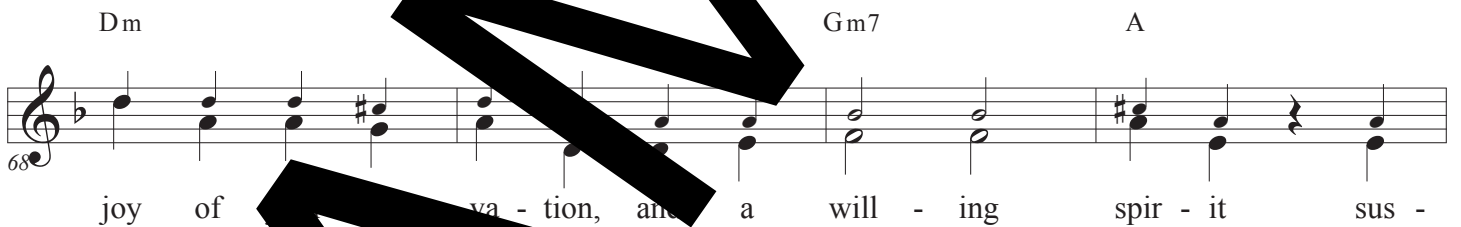
A D(omit3) Dm A A7

mp **D.S.** *f*



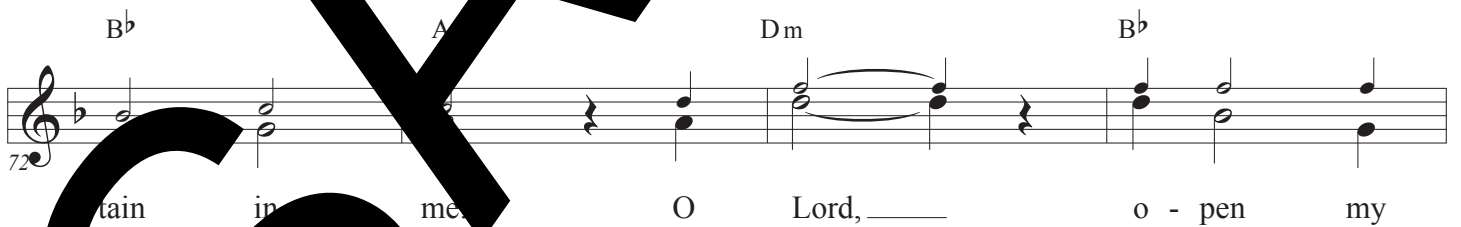
64
Be Give me back the

Dm Gm7 A



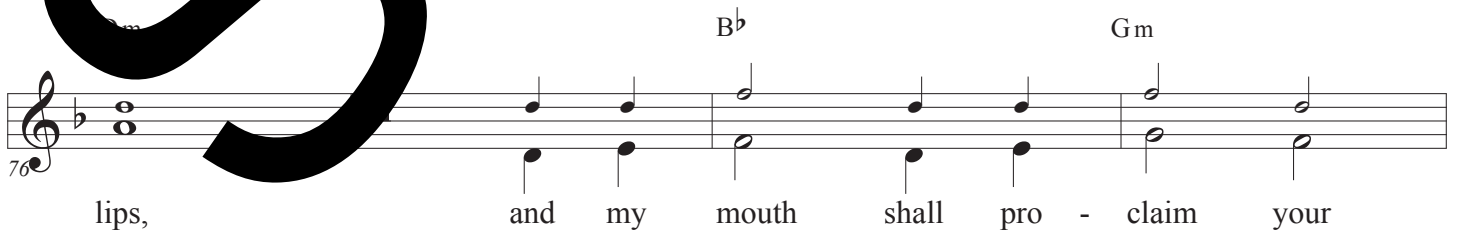
68
joy of wa - tion, and a will - ing spir - it sus -

B^b A Dm B^b



72
tain in me, O Lord, o - pen my

B^b Gm



76
lips, and my mouth shall pro - claim your

D.S. al Coda 

80 *rit.* A7 A7(b13) A7 D(omit3) *mp* Gm

praise. Be Be mer - ci - ful, O

A Dm Dm/C Dm/B^b Gm

84 Lord. Be mer - ci - ful O Lord. Be mer - ci - ful, O

A *rit.* A7(#5) A7 Dm D sus2 Dm

88 Lord, for we have sinned.

