

# Judge Me, O God, and Plead My Cause

From Psalm 43

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system contains five numbered verses of lyrics. The second system contains the concluding lines of the hymn. The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The piece concludes with a final chord in the Soprano and Alto parts.

1. Judge me, O God, and plead my cause A - gainst a sin - ful race;  
2. On Thee my stead-fast hope de - pends, And am I left to mourn?  
3. O send Thy light to guide my feet And bid Thy truth ap - pear;  
4. Then to Thine al - tar, O my God, My joy - ful feet shall rise,  
5. Sink not, my soul, be - neath thy fear, Nor yield to weak de - spair;

From vile op - pres - sors and de - ceit Se - cure me by Thy grace.  
To sink in sor - rows, and in vain Im - plore Thy kind re - turn?  
Con - duct me to Thy ho - ly hill And taste Thy mer - cies there.  
And my tri - um - phant songs shall praise The God that rules the skies.  
For I have lived to praise the Lord, And bless His guard - ian care.

Music: Prys' Welsh Psalter, 1621  
Text: Joel Barlow (1754-1812)

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