

My Heart Proclaims the One Who Sins

From Psalm 36:1-9

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are written below the vocal lines, with some words in italics. The score is divided into two systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system covers lines 1-7 of the text, and the second system covers lines 8-14. The lyrics are as follows:

1. ¹My heart pro-claims the one who sins: No fear of God comes to his eyes.
2. He is no long-er good or wise.⁴In bed he hatch-es wick-ed plans;
3. ⁵*High in the heav'ns, e - ter - nal God! Thy good-ness in full glo - ry shines,*
4. ⁶For ev - er firm Thy jus - tice stands, As moun-tains their foun-da-tions keep;
5. ⁷*My God! how ex - cel - lent Thy grace, Whence all our hope and com-fort springs!*
6. ⁸From the pro - vi - sions of Thy house We shall be fed with sweet re - past;
7. ⁹Life, like a foun-tain rich and free, Springs from the pres-ence of the Lord;

²Re - joic - ing at the hate with - in, ³His words are wick-ed - ness and lies.
He's set - tled on the path of lies; He's not re - pelled by e - vil stands.
Thy truth shall break through ev - 'ry cloud That veils and dark-ens Thy de - signs.
Wise are the won-ders of Thy hands; Thy judg-ments are a might-y deep.
The sons of Ad - am in dis - tress Fly to the shad-ow of Thy wings.
There mer-cy like a riv - er flows, And brings sal - va - tion to our taste.
And in Thy light our souls shall see The glo - ries pro-mised in Thy Word.

Music: *Darmstadt Gesangbuch*, 1698

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