

John Hopkins, 1562
(Psalm 45)

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Ludlow (Psalm 45)

Transcribed from Ravenscroft, *The Whole Booke of Psalmes*, 1621.

G minor

Thomas Ravenscroft, 1621

Soprano
Alto

1. My heart doth take in hand Some godly song to sing; The praise that I shall show therein Pertaineth to the King.
2. My tongue shall be as quick, His honor to in-dict, As is the pen of any scribe That useth fast to write.

Tenor
Bass

3. About thee gird thy sword, O Prince of might elect; With honor, glory, and renown, Thy per-son pure is decked.
4. Go forth with godly speed, In meekness, truth, and right; And thy right hand shall thee instruct In works of dreadful might.
5. Thy royal seat, O Lord, For ev - er shall remain; Because the scepter of thy realm Doth righteousness main - tain.
6. Because thou loved the right, And didst the ill detest, God, even thy God, appointed thee With joy a - bove the rest.
7. Thus are they brought with joy, And mirth on every side, Into the palace of the King, And there they do a - bide.
8. Wherefore thy ho - ly name All ages shall record, The people shall give thanks to thee For ev - er - more, O Lord.

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1. All notes half value of original.
2. Measure 4, *Cantus*: sharp on last note (B_♯) ignored.
3. Staves combined: original *Tenor* becomes *Soprano*, up one octave; *Medius* becomes *Alto*; *Cantus* becomes *Tenor*, down an octave; and *Bass* remains.