

# Blessed be the Lord God of Israel

Benedictus (Luke 1:68-79)

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RESPONSE

Em A B7(b9) Em C Am G

Bless-ed be the Lord God of Is - rael, he has turned to his peo -

Am7 B Baug7 B

ple, he has set them free.\_\_\_\_\_

Em A B7(b9) Em C D Em

From the house of Da-vid, his ser - vant, he has gi-ven us li -

C D Em *Fine*

ber - ty,\_\_\_\_\_ freed us from our cap - ti - vi - ty.\_\_\_\_\_

VERSES 1, 2, 4

C

G/B

Am7

G

G/B

1. So he pro - mised: age af - ter age he pro -  
 2. This, the oath he prom - ised of old, that he  
 4. Then the morn - ing sun shall a - rise and God's

C

D

G

Baug7 B

C

G/B

claimed by the lips of his pro - phets to de - li - ver  
 made with our an - ces - tor Abr' - ham, that, in ge - ne -  
 ten - der com - pass - ion sur - round us, shin - ing out in

Am7

G

G/B

C

D

G

Baug7 B

us from our foes, from the clut - ches of all those who hate us  
 ra - tions to come would pro - vide a re - lease in - to free - dom  
 just - ice and light on - to those in op - press - ion and dark - ness

C

G/B

Am

B7/F#

Those be - fore us lived in his mer - cy, in the  
 He would grant us free - dom from fear, so we with  
 Light to lead our lives in the way that brings his

*To be taken with a bounce, but not too hurriedly.  
 Verse 3 is more gentle and may be sung in  
 harmony, possibly unaccompanied.*

Em Em/D Em/C Baug7 *D.C. al Fine*  
B7

light of his word and his pro - mise of old.\_\_\_\_  
clean hands and pure hearts might hon - our his name.\_\_\_\_  
king - dom of peace to the na - tions of earth.\_\_\_\_

VERSE 3  
Am7 D2 D Em D/F# G Am7 D7 Gsus4 G

3. You, child, shall have the name: the pro - phet of the most high.\_\_\_\_

Am7 D2 D Em D/F# G Am7 D7 Gsus4 G C G/B

You, child, shall run be-fore the Lord pre-par-ing his way.\_\_\_\_ You shall lead his

Am B7/F# Em Em/D Em/C Baug7 *D.C. al Fine*  
B7

peo-ple to him,\_\_\_\_ and to sal - va - tion and grace through re - miss-ion of sins.\_\_\_\_