

VERSES OF PSALMS 140, 141, AND 129

Plagal Second Mode
Triple Meter

Duration: 5:30

Allegro ♩=145

Θοῦ Κύριε

1

Set, O Lord, a watch be - fore my mouth, and a

door_ of en - clo - sure round_ a - bout_ my lips.

2

In - cline not my heart un - to words of e - vil, to

make_ ex - cuse_ with_ ex - cus - es in sins,

3

With men that work. in - iq - ui - ty; and I will not

join_ with_ their cho - - - sen.

4



The right - eous man will chas - ten me with mer - cy



and_ re - prove___ me; as for the oil___ of the



sin - ner, let___ it not___ a - noint___ my head.

5



For yet more is my prayer in the pres - ence of their



pleas - ures; swal - lowed up near by___ the rock___



have_ their judg - es been.

6



They shall hear my words, for they_ be sweet - ened;



as a clod_ of earth___ is bro - ken up - on the

earth, so have_ their bones_ been scat - tered nigh___

un - to Ha - - - des.

7

For un-to Thee, O Lord, O Lord, are mine eyes, in

Thee have I hoped; take___ not_ my soul_ a - way.

8

Keep me from_ the snare which they_have laid___ for me, and

from the stum - bling - blocks of them_ that work_ in -

iq - ui - ty.

9

The sin - ners shall fall_ in - to their own___

net; I am a lone un - til I

pass by.

10

With my voice un - to the Lord have I cried,

with my voice. un - to the Lord have I made my

sup - pli - ca - - - tion.

11

I will pour out be - fore Him my sup - pli -

ca - tion, mine af - flic - tion be - fore

Him will I de - clare.

12



When my spir - it was faint-ing with - in_____ me,



then_ Thou knew - est my paths.

13



In this way_____ where - in I have walked they hid_____ for



me_____ a snare.

14



I looked up - on my right_ hand, and be - held, and



there_ was none_____ that_ did know_____ me.

15



Flight hath failed_ me, and there is none that watch - eth

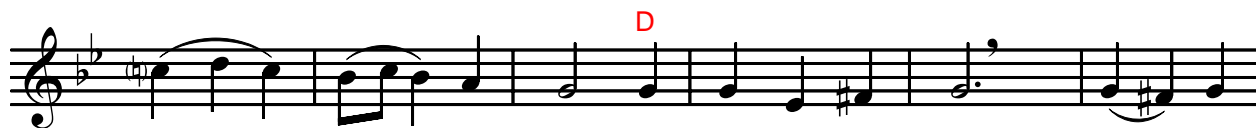


out for my soul.

16



I have cried un - to Thee, O Lord; I said:



Thou art my hope, my por-tion art Thou in the



land of the liv - - - ing.

17



At - tend un - to my sup - pli - ca - tion, for



I am brought ver - y low.

18



De - liv - er me from them that per - se - cute



me, for they are strong - er than I.

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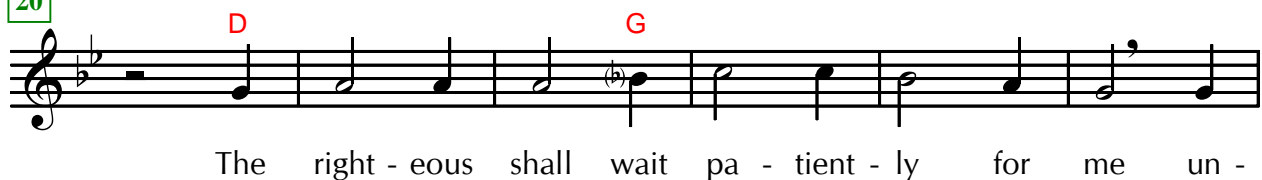


Bring my soul out of pris - on that I may con -



fess Thy Name.

20

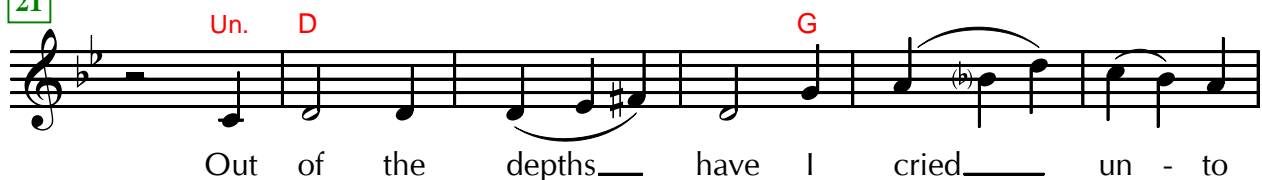


The right - eous shall wait pa - tient - ly for me un -

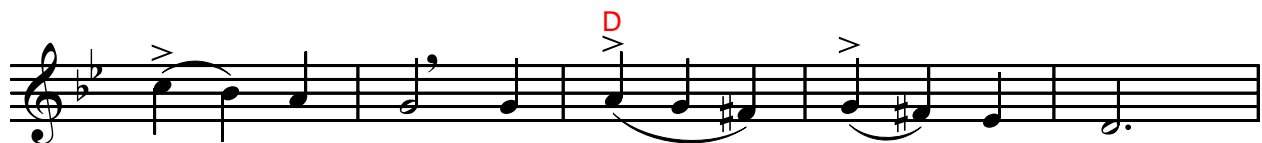


til Thou shalt re - ward me.

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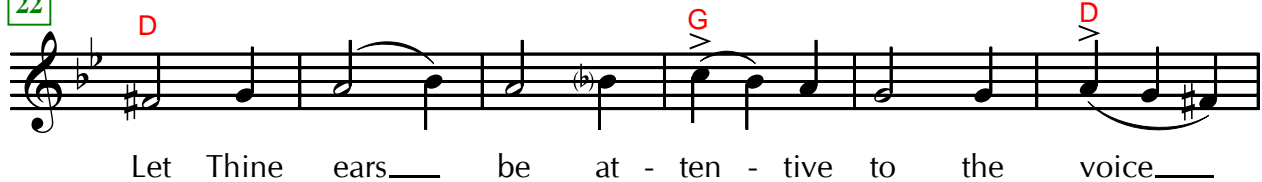


Out of the depths have I cried un - to



Thee, O Lord; O Lord, hear my voice.

22



Let Thine ears be at - ten - tive to the voice



of my sup - pli - ca - - - tion.