

The complete and unaltered text of

Psalm 119

from the

King James Bible

in the form of

Musical Settings

arranged for

Mixed chorus

(Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass)

composed and arranged by

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aka.

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“How shall we, in this wicked age, be sure that our children will turn out right?” While his Sunday school class was deliberating over this question, which has perplexed parents since the fall, my father’s answer was, “The only way is to saturate them with the Word of God.” This idea was only marginally well-received, because many Christians practice a casual approach to Scriptural instruction. Yet I know this is the truth. Why? The Bible contains the rudiments of morality. It contains the mind of God, and the only objective standard of righteousness.

In the same way, the alphabet is the rudiment of the skill of reading. Reading is a rudiment of learning, and learning God’s Word is rudimentary to knowing God and his absolute holiness.

Psalms 119 is arranged as an acrostic using the 22 letters of the Hebrew alphabet, in which each verse declares the beauty of God’s Word. A young Jewish scholar would have memorized this Psalm by the age of five or six, in preparation for all further studies. Since all study is to be centered around the Scriptures, this Psalm would have early instilled a profound reverence for the Scriptures and the God Who inspired them.

Memorization would be easier in Hebrew because of its acrostic form (where the first word of each verse would start with the letter as given preceding each octet of verses). To impress it more fully upon the memory, there would be a musical air to sing with it. Unfortunately, the acrostic has been lost in translation. However, by putting our own melody to the text, we can lighten the load considerably.

I am thankful to God for allowing me the opportunity and pleasure of providing an aid to this end. I sincerely believe He has assisted in every aspect of its development. He has brought me to know and deeply appreciate Michael Misiasek, whose unusual talents have taught me the possibility of this kind of Scripture singing. He has provided brother Michael Owens, who prior to this project was all but a complete stranger to me. Yet it seems God has been preparing him to be a co-laborer in this task. Michael has been instrumental in the improvement of the original work by setting a high standard of synchronization between words and music. He has also enhanced the beauty and emotional impact of the melodies with appropriate harmonies and counterpoint.

This having been accomplished, and to further recommend this work to the brotherhood of believers, Michael Owens’ friends, the extended Witmer family, consented to sing it with us. I am grateful that they were willing to launch into the uncharted waters of our musical experimentation –to not only sing but to critique the work, further improving it by trial of performance. We hastily but not unsuccessfully recorded the results for the education of those who would wish to sing it hereafter.

It is the design and intent of those who have written, arranged, and produced this music that it would make the Psalm accessible to the mind for memory. Every word has been retained from the Authorized Version to assist in this endeavor. The music is in the Public Domain. It is your privilege to copy and make it available to any and all who could benefit by it.

Your Christian brother,
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I was introduced to the singing of metrical Psalms in 1994 by some friends among the Reformed Presbyterians, heirs of the Scottish Covenanters, who count it as a major part of their heritage. Though I don't share all their convictions, I have found Psalm-singing a great joy. For a number of reasons, though, it seemed to me that something was being lost when the Psalms could only be sung in poetic paraphrase, beautiful as they are. Wouldn't it be possible, I wondered, to sing them straight out of a prose translation?

So I began to look for settings of the Psalms in prose. I have found quite a few, but not many that satisfied me. Many contain a lot of repeated text (which is also not authentic), and are really too complex for any but a trained choir. And the less complex settings containing less repetition, whether ancient chant or in modern "praise and worship" style, I have found to be musically unexciting. In 6 years of collecting, I had found very few settings which were 1. prose 2. complete 3. simple enough for congregational use, and 4. musically interesting. I tried writing my own, but in fact, while I enjoy writing harmony, I find melody-writing torturous and unrewarding.

I was quite interested, then, to be contacted by a man who said that he had written melodies for Psalm 119, and wondered if I could harmonize them. This was Fred Steinruck, who turned out to have collected and/or composed 22 tunes which fulfilled all I hoped (though I would have preferred to use the NKJV), and he and I became fast friends. Prompted by two settings made by his friend, Michael Misiaszek (Mish-AH-zhik), here included, he had been working on this project for about a decade. He composes melodies with proficiency, but harmony baffles him.

So we made a team: a Reformed Baptist piano technician and a Mennonite construction worker! We spent 18 months wrestling over the melodies, harmonies, and word/note alignments of these 22 settings. I tried to keep the harmonies as simple as the melodies, and still to capitalize on their variety and creativity. However, I began to suspect that the whole collection may be too difficult for congregational use, while not challenging enough for a chorus!

To make up for this, we decided to produce recordings, so that a congregation could learn the tunes by becoming familiar with the recordings, and a chorus could be challenged to learn and perform the whole collection. Our thanks goes to the extended Dave Witmer family for the recording, which is a story in itself.

The project has prompted enough interest and enjoyment that we intend to continue setting Scripture to music as we can. Several others are finished already. For this reason, though we have not copyrighted our work and encourage anyone to make copies and alterations as they desire, we would appreciate if any copies made could include our addresses, so that anyone interested in our subsequent attempts will be able to contact us.

For God's sole glory,
Michael E. Owens, 2001
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Psalm 119A

♩ Aleph

(♩ = 150)

1 Bless - ed are the un - de - filed in the way, who walk in the

6 law of the LORD. 2 Bless - ed are they that keep His test - i - mon - ies,

13 and that seek Him with the whole heart. 3 They al - so do no in -

19 iq - ui - ty: they walk in His ways. 4 Thou hast com - mand - ed

26 us to keep Thy pre - cepts dil - i - gent - ly. 5 Oh, that my ways

34
were di - rect - ed to keep Thy stat - utes! 6Then shall I

41
not be a - shamed, when I have re - spect un - to all Thy com - 3

47
mand - ments. 7I will praise Thee with up - right - ness of

52
heart, when I shall have learned Thy right - eous judg - ments.

57
8I will keep Thy stat - utes: Oh, for - sake me not ut - ter - ly.

Psalm 119B

Psalm 119:9-16; King James Version

Michael Misiaszek, 1996

harm. Michael E. Owens, 2000

□ Beth

(♩ = 175)
F Gm F B♭ F Dm

9Where-with-al shall a young man cleanse his way? By tak-ing heed there-

bass optional*

6 Gm C Gm Dm Gm

to ac-cord-ing to Thy Word. 10With my whole heart have I sought Thee: oh,

12 C F B♭ F

let me not wan-der from Thy com - mand-ments. 11Thy Word have I

18 Dm Gm C

hid in mine heart, that I might not sin a-gainst Thee.

25 Gm Dm Gm C B♭ C

12Bless-ed art Thou, O LORD: teach me Thy stat - utes.

*option 1: SAT trio

option 2: SATB

option 3: SAT with Bass melody

33 Gm Dm Gm

13 With my lips have I de-clared all the judg-ments of Thy

39 C Bb C Dm

mouth. 14 I have re-joiced in the way of Thy test - i - mon - ies,

45 F Bb C7 F Bb

as much as in all rich - es. 15 I will med - i - tate in Thy

51 F Dm Gm C Gm Dm

pre-cepts, and have re-spect un - to Thy ways. 16 I will de-light

58 Gm C Bb F

my-self in Thy stat - utes: I will not for - get Thy Word.

Psalm 119C

λ Gimel

Frederick Steinruck, 2000
harm. Michael E. Owens, 2000

(♩ = 120)

p
17 Deal boun - ti - f'ly with Thy ser - vant, that I may live, and keep

10
Thy Word. *f* 18 O - pen Thou mine eyes, that I may be - hold won - drous

16
things out of Thy law. *p* 19 I am a stran - ger in the earth:

22
hide not Thy com - mand - ments from me. 20 My soul break - eth for the

28
long - ing that it hath un - to Thy judg - ments at all times.

33 *f*
 Thou hast re-buked the proud that are cursed, which do err from Thy com-mand-ments.

37
 22 Re move from me re-proach and con-tempt; for I have kept Thy

43 *f*
 test - i - mon - ies. 23 Princ - es al - so did sit and speak a - gainst me:

47
 but Thy ser - vant did med - i - tate in Thy stat - utes. 24 Thy

53
 test - i - mon - ies al - so are my de - light and my coun - sel - lors.

Psalm 119D

7 Daleth

Frederick Steinruck, 2000
harm. Michael E. Owens, 2000

(♩. = 68)

25 My soul cleav-eth un - to the dust: quick-en Thou me ac -

cord - ing to Thy Word. 26 I have de - clared my ways, and Thou

heard-est me: teach me Thy stat - utes. 27 Make me to un - der -

stand the way of Thy pre - cepts: so shall I talk of Thy

won - drous works. 28 My soul melt - eth for heav - i - ness:

31
 strength-en Thou me ac - cord-ing un - to Thy Word. 29 Re - move from me the

37
 way of ly - ing: and grant me Thy law gra - cious - ly.

43
 30 I have cho - sen the way of truth: Thy judg - ments have I laid be -

49
 fore me. 31 I have stuck un - to Thy test - i - mon - ies: O LORD,

56
 put me not to shame. 32 I will run the way of Thy com -

62 *rit.* , *slower*
 mand - ments, when Thou shalt en - large my heart.

Psalm 119E

Psalm 119:33-40; King James Version

Frederick Steinruck, 2000
harm. Michael E. Owens, 2000

7 He

(♩. = 55)
D7 G C G C G/D C

33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of Thy stat - utes; and I shall keep it un -

7 D7 G D G D7 Cm G D7

to the end. 34 Give me un - der - stand - ing, and I shall keep Thy law;

13 C D G Dm G

yea, I shall ob - serve it with my whole heart. 35 Make me to go in the

19 C G D Em C D7 G Dm

path of Thy com - mand - ments; for there - in do I de - light. 36 In - cline my

26 G C G Em C D7 G

heart un - to Thy test - i - mon - ies, and not to cov - et - ous - ness.

33. C Bm Em D Em C Bm

37 Turn a - way mine eyes from be - hold - ing van - i - ty; and quick - en Thou

39. Em C D C Dm G D G

me in Thy way. 38 Stab - lish Thy Word un - to Thy ser - vant,

46. D G D/A A7 Dm Em D , G D7 G

who is de - vot - ed to Thy fear. 39 Turn a - way my re - proach

54. C D7 G D7 Em Bm C D G D7

which I fear: for Thy judg - ments are good. 40 Be - hold, I have

61. Em C D G C G/D Em *rit.* Bm7 D7 G

longed af - ter Thy pre - cepts: quick - en me in Thy right - eous - ness.

Psalm 119F

Psalm 119:41-48; King James Version

Frederick Steinruck, 2000

harm. Michael E. Owens, 2000

1 Vau

(♩ = 88)

41 Let Thy mer-cies come al - so un - to me, O LORD, e - ven Thy sal - va - tion,

ac - cord-ing to Thy Word. 42 So shall I have where - with to an - swer

him that re - proach - eth me: for I trust in Thy Word. 43 And take not the

Word of truth ut - ter - ly out of my mouth; for I have hoped in Thy judg - ments.

44 So shall I keep Thy law con - tin - u - al - ly for ev - er and

38
 ev - er. 45 And I will walk at li - ber - ty: for I seek Thy

46
 pre - cepts. 46 I will speak of Thy test - i - mon - ies al - so be - fore

52
 kings, and will not be a - sham - ed. 47 And I will de -

59
 light my - self in Thy com - mand - ments, which I have loved. 48 My

66
 hands al - so will I lift up un - to Thy com - mand - ments, which I have

72 *rit.*
 loved; and I will med - i - tate in Thy stat - utes.

Psalm 119G

† Zayin

Frederick Steinruck, 2000
harm. Michael E. Owens, 2000

(♩ = 130) mp poco cresc.

49 Re - mem - ber the Word un - to Thy ser - vant, up - on which

mf

Thou hast caused me to hope. 50 This is my com - fort in my af -

f

flic - tion: for Thy Word hath quick - ened me. 51 The proud have had me

mf

great - ly in de - ris - ion: yet have I not de - clined from Thy law.

mp poco cresc.

52 I re - mem - bered Thy judg - ments of old, O LORD; and have

32 *f*
com - fort - ed my - self. 53 Hor - ror hath ta - ken hold up - on me be -

38 *mf*
cause of the wick - ed that for - sake Thy law. 54 Thy stat - utes

44
have been my songs in the house of my pil - grim - age.

51 *mp poco cresc.*
55 I have re - mem - bered Thy name, O LORD, in the night, and have

57 *mf*
kept Thy law. 56 This I had, be - cause I kept Thy pre - cepts.

Psalm 119H

♩ Heth

Frederick Steinruck, 2000
harm. Michael E. Owens, 2000

(♩ = 120)

57 Thou art my por-tion, O LORD: I have said that I would keep Thy would

words.
keep Thy words. 58 I en-treat-ed Thy fav-or with my whole heart: be

mer-ci-ful un-to me un-to me ac-cor-ding to Thy Word. to Thy Word.

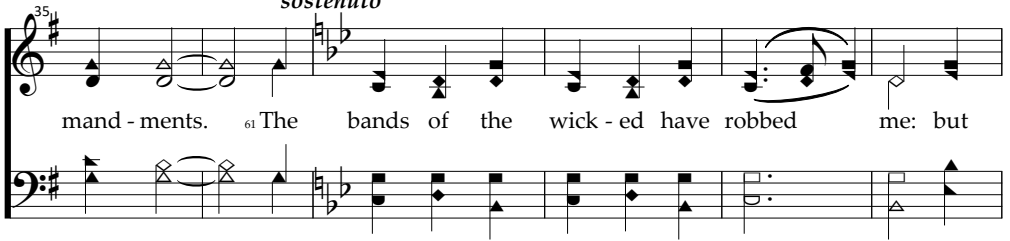
59 I thought on my ways, and turned my feet un-to Thy tes-ti-

marcato

mon-ies. 60 I made haste, and de-layed not to keep Thy com-

sostenuto

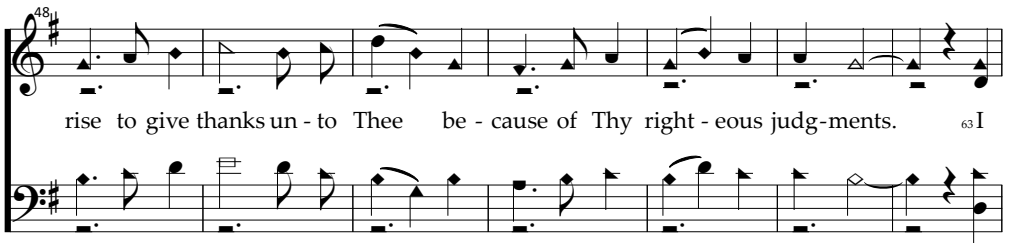
35 mand - ments. 61 The bands of the wick - ed have robbed me: but



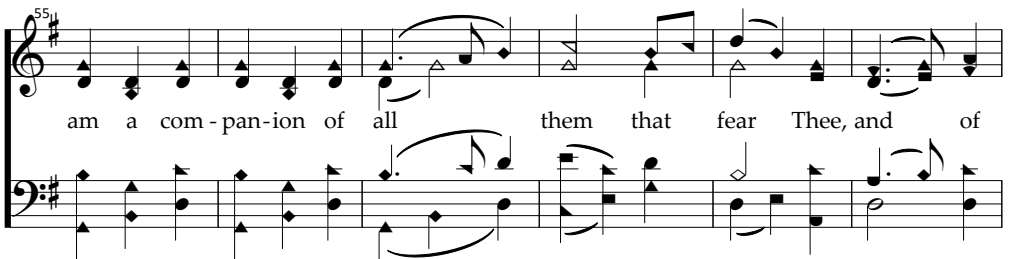
41 I have not for - got - ten Thy law. 62 At mid - night I will



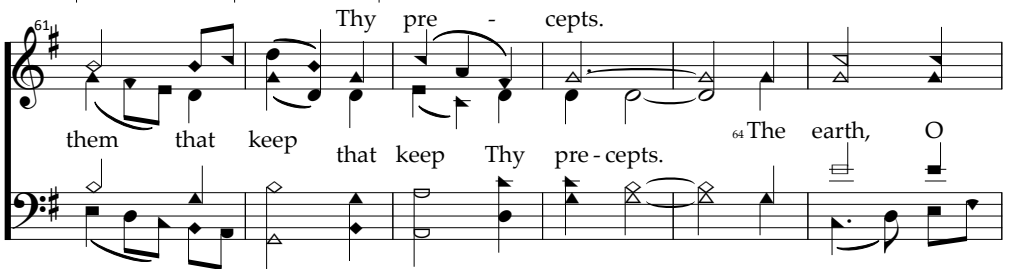
48 rise to give thanks un - to Thee be - cause of Thy right - eous judg - ments. 63 I



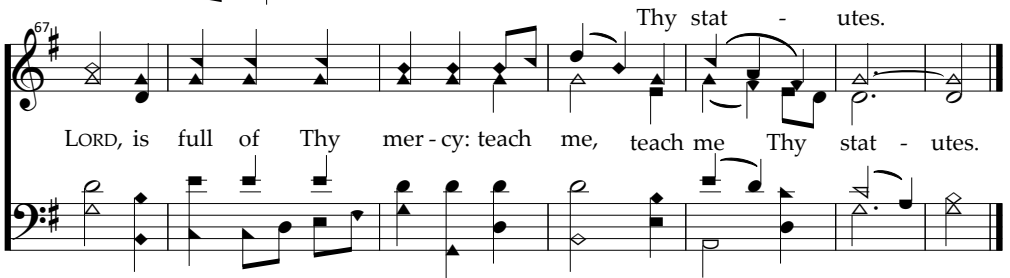
55 am a com - pan - ion of all them that fear Thee, and of



61 Thy pre - cepts. them that keep that keep Thy pre - cepts. 64 The earth, O



67 Thy stat - utes. LORD, is full of Thy mer - cy: teach me, teach me Thy stat - utes.



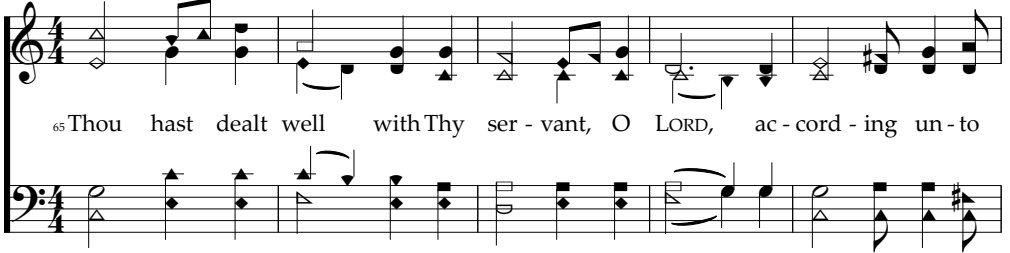
Psalm 119I

Psalm 119:65-72; King James Version

Sir Edward Elgar, 1901
harm. Dan J. Christensen
& Michael E. Owens, 2000

 Teth

(♩ = 90)



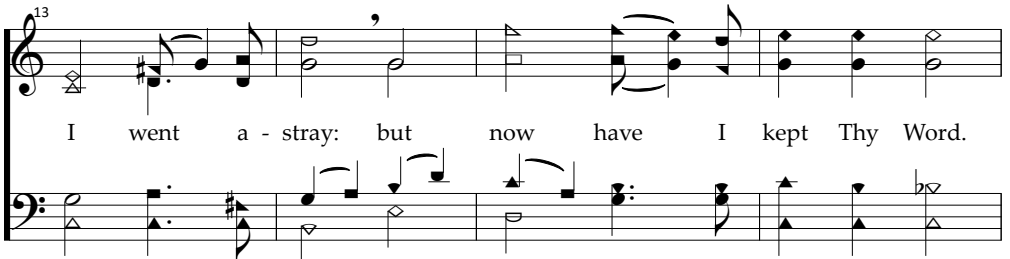
65 Thou hast dealt well with Thy ser - vant, O LORD, ac - cord - ing un - to



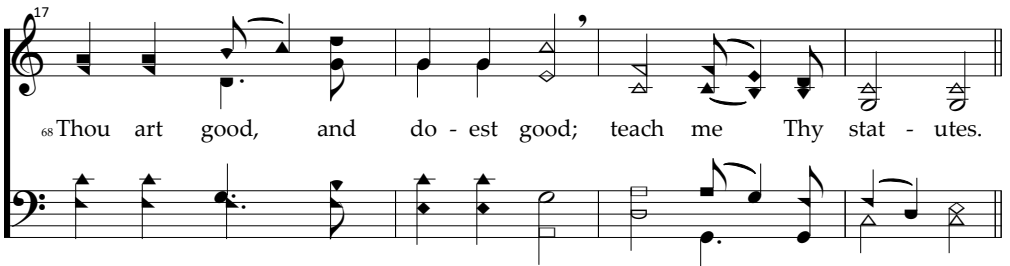
Thy Word. 66 Teach me good judg - ment and know - ledge: for I have be -



lieved Thy com - mand - ments. 67 Be - fore I was af - flict - ed

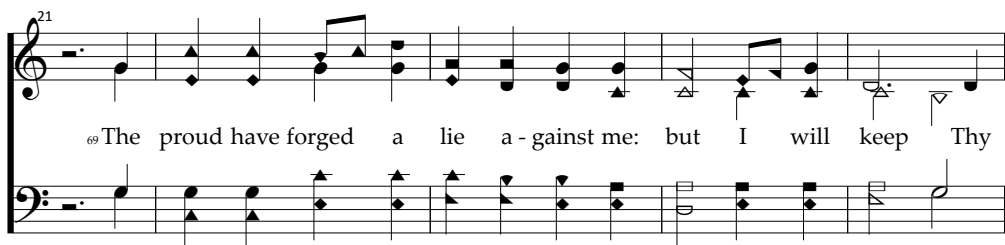


I went a - stray: but now have I kept Thy Word.



68 Thou art good, and do - est good; teach me Thy stat - utes.

21
The proud have forged a lie a - gainst me: but I will keep Thy

Musical notation for measures 21-25, featuring a treble and bass staff with lyrics.

26
pre - cepts with my whole heart. 27 Their heart is as fat as grease; but

Musical notation for measures 26-29, featuring a treble and bass staff with lyrics.

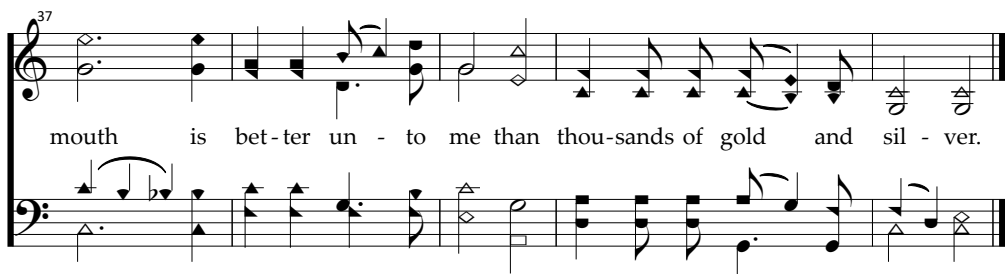
30
I de - light in Thy law. 28 It is good for me that I have

Musical notation for measures 30-32, featuring a treble and bass staff with lyrics.

33
been af - flict - ed; that I might learn Thy stat - utes. 29 The law of Thy

Musical notation for measures 33-36, featuring a treble and bass staff with lyrics.

37
mouth is bet - ter un - to me than thou - sands of gold and sil - ver.

Musical notation for measures 37-40, featuring a treble and bass staff with lyrics.

Psalm 119J

Yod

Frederick Steinruck, 2000
harm. Michael E. Owens, 2000

(♩ = 90)

73 Thy hands have made me and fash-ioned me: give me un-der-stand - ing, that

I may learn Thy com-mand-ments. 74 They that fear Thee will be glad when

they see me; be - cause I have hoped in Thy Word. 75 I know, O

, dolce

15 LORD, that Thy judg - ments are right, and that

LORD, that Thy judg - ments are right, and that Thou in faith-ful-ness

21 *f* hast af - flic - ted me. 76 Let, I pray Thee, Thy mer - ci - ful

, dolce pray Thee, Thy mer - ci - ful

26 kind - ness be for my com - fort, ac-cord-ing to Thy Word un-to Thy ser - vant.

p

33 *dolce* un-to
 77 Let Thy ten - der mer - cies come un-to me, that

38 *p* *dolce*
 I may live: for Thy law is my de - light. 78 Let the

44 proud be a-sham - ed;
 proud be a - sham - ed; for they dealt per - verse - ly with

50 *p*
 me with-out a cause: but I will med-i - tate in Thy pre-cepts. 79 Let those that fear Thee

56
 turn un-to me, and those that have known Thy test - i - mon - ies.

62
 80 Let my heart be sound in Thy stat-utes; that I be not a - shamed.

Psalm 119K

7 Kaph

Soft & Smoky (♩ = 100)

⁸¹My soul faint-eth for Thy sal - va-tion: but I hope

oo...

in Thy Word. ⁸²Mine eyes fail for Thy Word, say - ing, When wilt

Thou com - fort me? ⁸³For I am be - come like a bot - tle in the

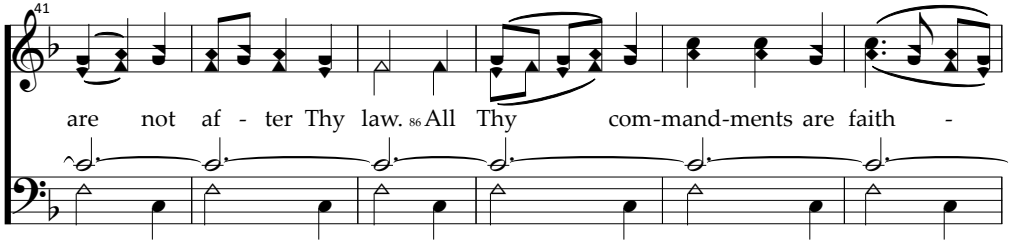
smoke; yet do I not for - get Thy stat - utes. ⁸⁴How ma - ny

are the days of Thy ser - vant? When wilt Thou ex - e - cute judg - ment on


35
them that per-se - cute me? 85 The proud have digged pits for me, which



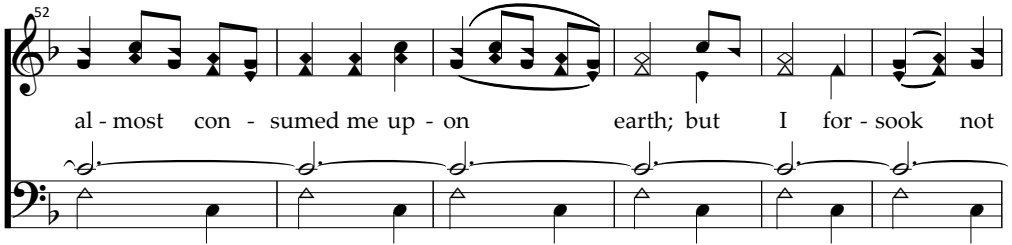
41
are not af - ter Thy law. 86 All Thy com-mand-ments are faith -



47
ful: they per-se - cute me wrong-ful - ly; help Thou me. 87 They had



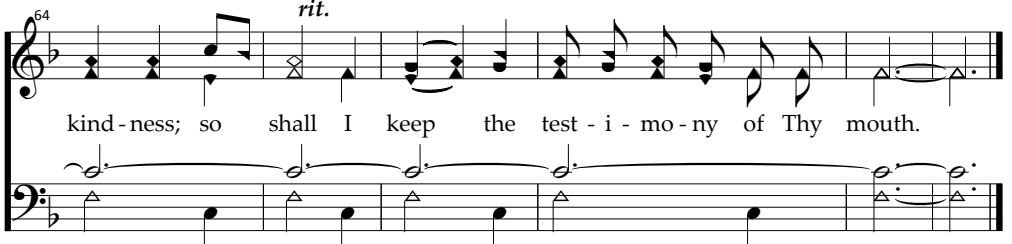
52
al - most con - sumed me up - on earth; but I for - sook not



58
Thy pre - cepts. 88 Quick-en me af - ter Thy lov - ing -



64 *rit.*
kind-ness; so shall I keep the test - i - mo - ny of Thy mouth.



Psalm 119L

7 Lamed

(♩ = 92)

mf

⁸⁹For ev - er, O LORD, Thy Word is set-tled in heav - en. ⁹⁰Thy

¹⁰faith - ful-ness is un - to all gen-er - a - tions: Thou hast es -

¹⁹tab - lished the earth, and it a - bid - eth. ⁹¹They con - tin - ue this

²⁷day ac - cord-ing to Thine or - din - an - ces: for all are Thy ser-vants.

mf

³⁴⁹²Un - less Thy law had been my de - lights, I should then have

43 *rit.* *a tempo*
per - ished in mine af - flic - tion. *mf* 93 I will nev - er for - get Thy

49 pre - cepts: for with them Thou hast quick - ened me. 94 I am Thine, O

57 save me; for I have sought Thy pre - cepts. *f* 95 The wick - ed have

65 wait - ed for me to de - stroy me: but I will con - si - der Thy

75 tes - ti - mon - ies. 96 I have seen an end of all per - fec -

83 *rit.*
tion: but Thy com - mand - ment is ex - ceed - ing broad.

Psalm 119M

Psalm 119:97-104; King James Version

Frederick Steinruck, 2000

harm. Michael E. Owens, 2000

□ Mem

Allegretto (♩ = 105)

97 Oh, how love I Thy law! It is my med-i-ta-tion all the

day. 98 Thou through Thy com-mand-ments hast made me wi-ser than mine en-e-

Andante (♩ = 90)
mies: for they are ev-er with me. 99 I have more un-der-stand-ing than

14 all my teach-ers: for Thy test-i-mon-ies are my med-i-ta-

Allegretto
tion. 100 I un-der-stand more than the an-cients, be-cause I keep Thy

23
pre - cepts. 101 I have re - frained my feet from ev - ry e - vil way, that

28
I might keep Thy Word. 102 I have not de - part - ed from Thy judg - ments:

32 *Andante*
for Thou hast taught me. 103 How sweet are Thy words un - to my

37 *Allegretto*
taste! yea, sweet - er than hon - ey to my mouth! 104 Through Thy pre - cepts

43
I get un - der - stand - ing: there - fore I hate ev - ry false way.

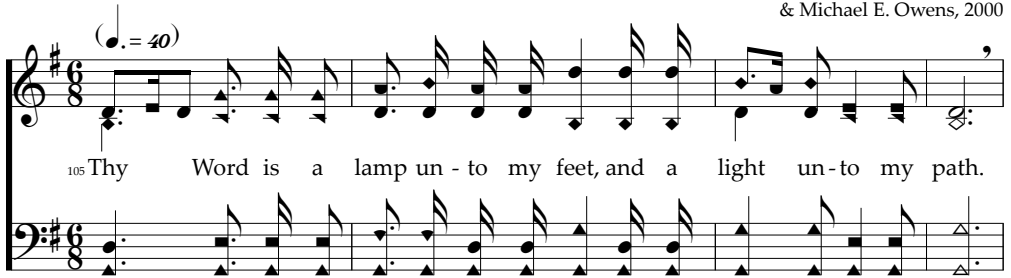
Psalm 119N

Psalm 119:105-112; *King James Version*

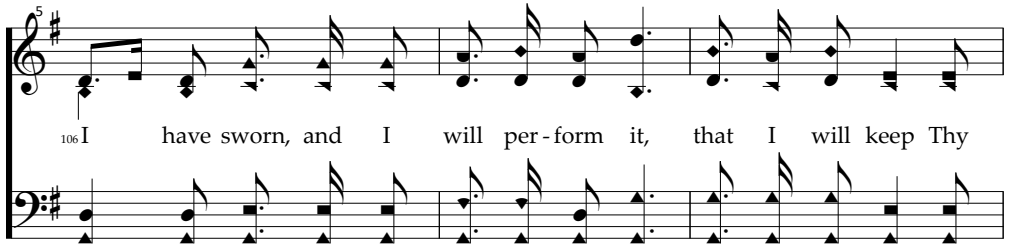
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1 Nun


(♩ = 40)



105 Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet, and a light un-to my path.



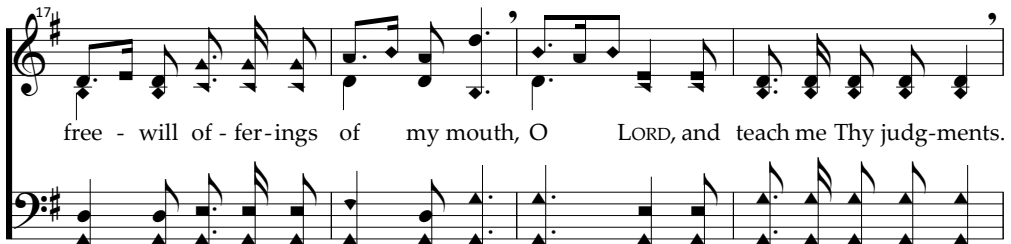
106 I have sworn, and I will per-form it, that I will keep Thy



right-eous judg-ments. 107 I am af-flict-ed ver - y much: quick - en me, O



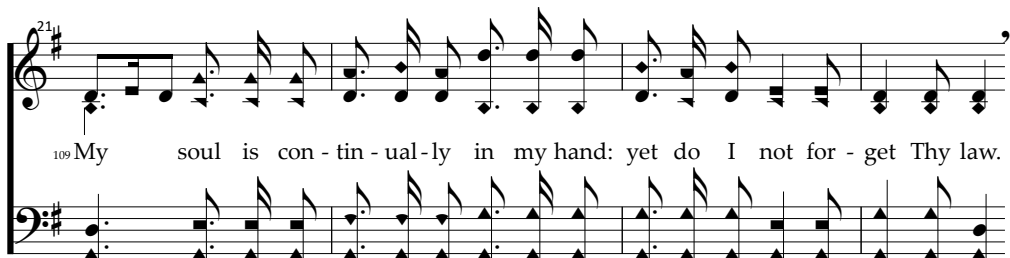
LORD, ac-cord - ing un-to Thy Word. 108 Ac-cept, I be-seech Thee, the



free - will of - fer-ings of my mouth, O LORD, and teach me Thy judg-ments.

option: S sing, ATB hum


21
109 My soul is con - tin - ual - ly in my hand: yet do I not for - get Thy law.



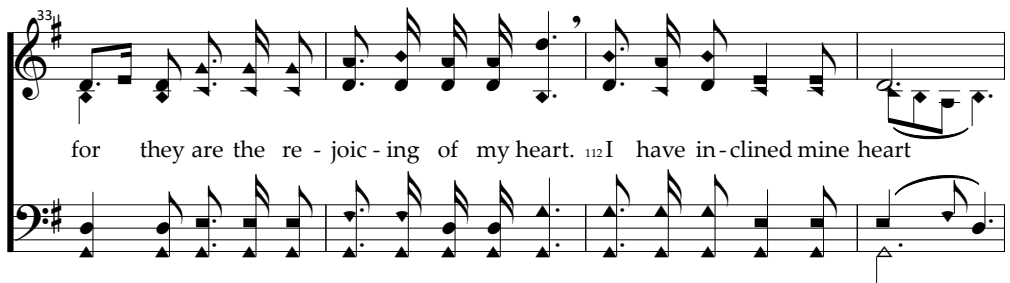
24
110 The wic - ked have laid a snare for me: yet I erred not from Thy pre - cepts.



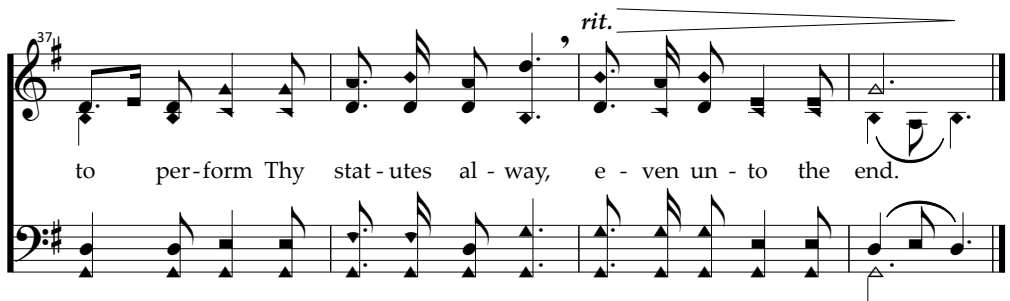
28
111 Thy test - i - mon - ies have I ta - ken as an her - i - tage for ev - er:



33
for they are the re - joic - ing of my heart. 112 I have in - clined mine heart



37
to per - form Thy stat - utes al - way, e - ven un - to the end. *rit.*



Psalm 1190

Psalm 119:113-120; King James Version

♩ Samekh

English Traditional
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(♩ = 144)

113 I hate vain thoughts: but Thy law do I love. 114 Thou art my hid-ing

place and my shield: I hope in Thy Word. 115 De-part from

me, ye e-vil-do-ers for I will keep the com-mand-ments of

my God. 116 Up-hold me ac-cord-ing un-to Thy Word, that

I may live: and let me not be a-shamed of my hope.

33

117 Hold Thou me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have re-

43

spect un - to Thy stat - utes con - tin - ual - ly.

53

118 Thou hast trod - den down all them that err from Thy stat - utes: for their de -

58

ceit is false - hood. 119 Thou put - test a - way all the wick - ed of the earth like

65

dross: there - fore I love Thy test - i - mon - ies. 120 My flesh trem - bleth for

73

fear of Thee; and I am a - fraid of Thy judg - ments.

Psalm 119P

♩ Ayin

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Rhythmically (♩ = 120)

121 I have done judgment and justice: leave me not to

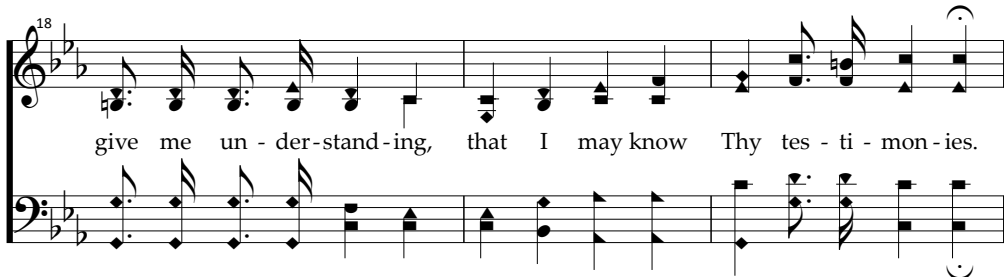
mine oppressors. 122 Be surety for Thy servant for good:

let not the proud oppress me. 123 Mine eyes fail for Thy salvation, and

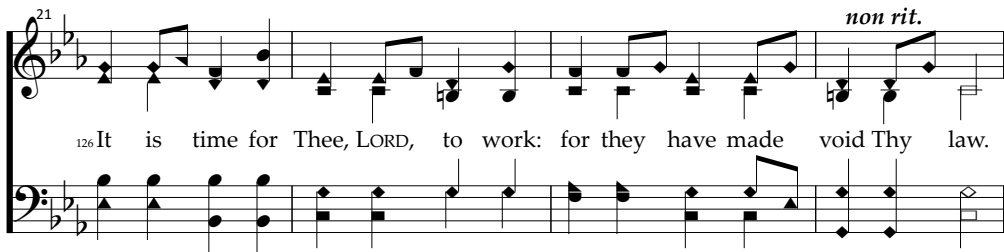
for the word of Thy righteousness. 124 Deal with Thy servant according

unto Thy mercy, and teach me Thy statutes. 125 I am Thy servant;

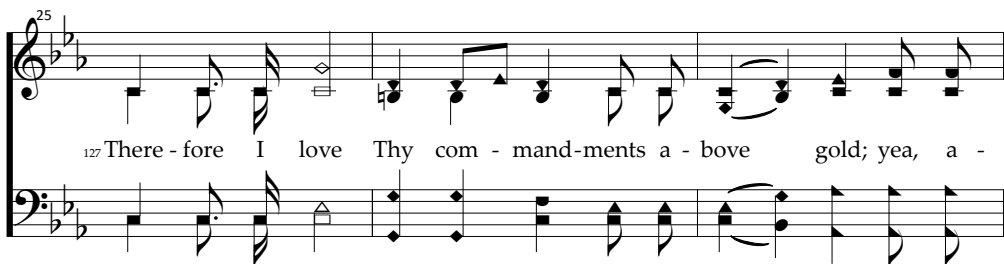
18
give me un - der-stand-ing, that I may know Thy tes - ti - mon - ies.



21 *non rit.*
126 It is time for Thee, LORD, to work: for they have made void Thy law.



25
127 There - fore I love Thy com - mand-ments a - bove gold; yea, a -



28
bove fine gold. 128 There - fore I es - teem all Thy pre - cepts con -



31
cern - ing all things to be right; and I hate ev - 'ry false way.



Psalm 119Q

♩ Pe

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(♩ = 88)

129 Thy test-i-mon-ies are won-der-ful: there-fore doth my

soul keep them. 130 The en-trance of Thy words giv-eth light; it giv-eth

un-der-stand-ing un-to the sim-ple. 131 I o-pened my mouth, and

pant-ed: for I longed for Thy com-mand-ments. 132 Look Thou up-

on me, and be mer-ci-ful un-to me, as Thou us-est to

31
do un - to those that love Thy name. 133 Or - der my steps in Thy Word:

38
and let not an - y in - iq - ui - ty have do - min - ion o - ver me.

44
134 De - liv - er me from the op - pres - sion of man: so will I keep Thy

51
pre - cepts. 135 Make Thy face to shine up - on Thy ser - vant; and

55
teach me Thy stat - utes. 136 Ri - vers of wa - ters run

61
down mine eyes, be - cause they keep not Thy law.

Psalm 119R

♩ Tzadde

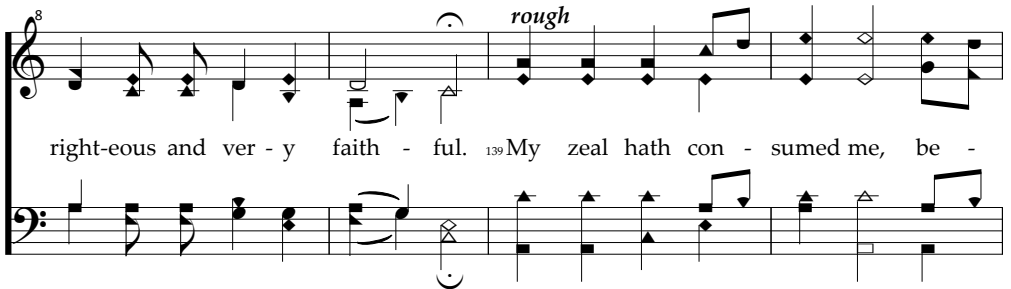
(♩ = 95)
smooth



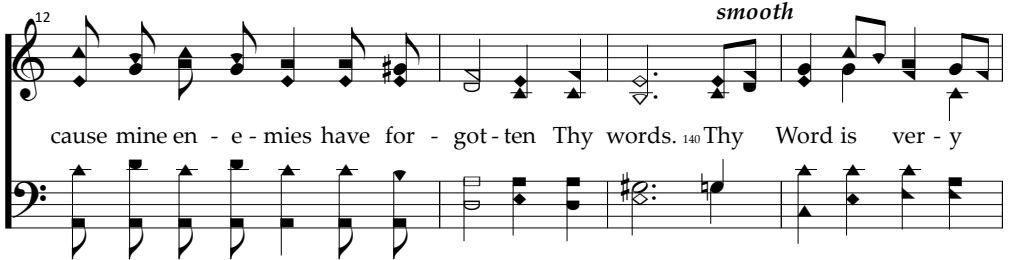
137 Right - eous art Thou, O LORD, and up-right are Thy judg-ments.



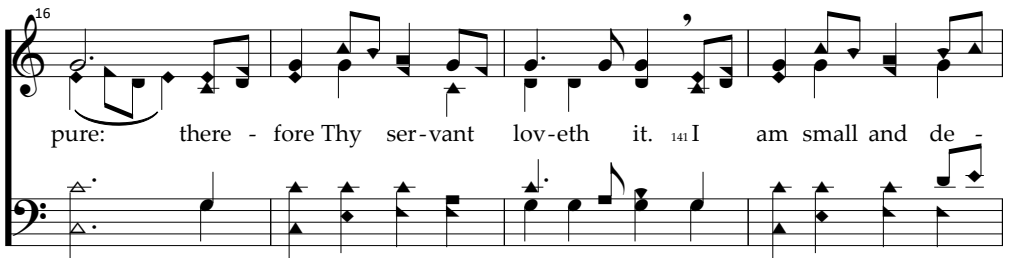
138 Thy test - i - mon - ies that Thou hast com - mand - ed are



right-eous and ver - y faith - ful. 139 My zeal hath con - sumed me, be -



cause mine en - e - mies have for - got - ten Thy words. 140 Thy Word is ver - y



pure: there - fore Thy ser - vant lov - eth it. 141 I am small and de -

20 *rough*
spised: yet do not I for - get Thy pre - cepts.¹⁴² Thy right-eous -

25
ness is an ev - er - last - ing right-eous-ness, and Thy law is the truth.

29
¹⁴³Trou - ble and an - guish have ta - ken hold on me: yet Thy com -

32 *smooth*
mand-ments are my de - lights.¹⁴⁴ The right-eous - ness of Thy test - i - mo - nies

36
is ev - er - last - ing: give me un - der - stand - ing, and I shall live.

Psalm 119S

Psalm 119:145-152; King James Version

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♩ Koph

(♩ = 130)

145 I cried with my whole heart; hear me, O LORD: I will keep Thy stat-utes.

146 I cried un - to Thee; save me, and I shall keep Thy test - i - mo-nies.

147 I pre - vent - ed the dawn - ing of the morn - ing, and cried: I

148 Mine eyes pre - vent the night watch-es, that

149 I might med - i - tate in Thy Word. 149 Hear my voice ac - cord - ing un - to

151 I might med - i - tate in Thy Word. 151 Hear my voice ac - cord - ing un - to

153 I might med - i - tate in Thy Word. 153 Hear my voice ac - cord - ing un - to

19
Thy lov - ing - kind - ness: O LORD, quick - en me ac - cord - ing

23
to Thy judg - ment. 150 They draw nigh that fol - low af - ter

27
mis - chief: they are far from Thy law. 151 Thou art near, O LORD; and all Thy com -

31
mand - ments are truth. 152 Con - cern - ing Thy test - i - mon - ies, I have

36
known of old that Thou hast found - ed them for ev - er.

Psalm 119T

Psalm 119:153-160; King James Version

Frederick Steinruck, 2000
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Resh

(♩ = 135)

153 Con - si - der mine af - flic - tion, and de - liv - er me: for I do not for -

get Thy law. 154 Plead my cause, and de - liv - er me: quick - en

me ac - cord - ing to Thy Word. 155 Sal - va - tion is far from the

wick - ed: for they seek not Thy stat - utes. 156 Great are Thy ten - der mer - cies,

O LORD: quick - en me ac - cord - ing to Thy judg - ments.

28

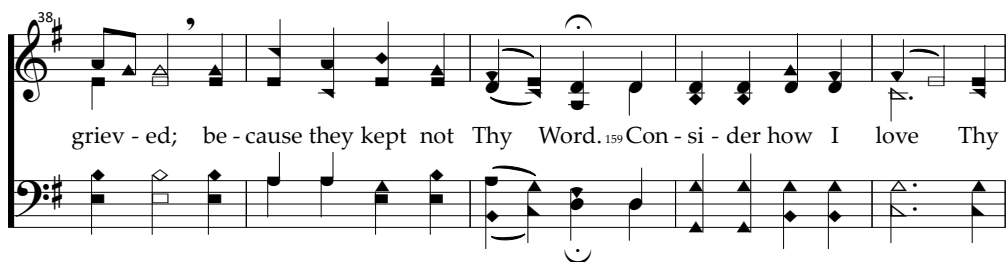
 Musical notation for measures 28-32, featuring a treble and bass staff in G major. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Man - y are my per - se - cu - tors and mine en - e - mies; yet do I not de -".

157 Man - y are my per - se - cu - tors and mine en - e - mies; yet do I not de -


33

 Musical notation for measures 33-37, featuring a treble and bass staff in G major. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "cline from Thy tes - ti - mon - ies. 158 I be - held the trans - gres - sors, and was".

cline from Thy tes - ti - mon - ies. 158 I be - held the trans - gres - sors, and was

38

 Musical notation for measures 38-42, featuring a treble and bass staff in G major. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "griev - ed; be - cause they kept not Thy Word. 159 Con - si - der how I love Thy".

griev - ed; be - cause they kept not Thy Word. 159 Con - si - der how I love Thy

43

 Musical notation for measures 43-47, featuring a treble and bass staff in G major. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "pre - cepts: quick - en me, O LORD, ac - cord - ing to Thy lov - ing - kind - ness.".

pre - cepts: quick - en me, O LORD, ac - cord - ing to Thy lov - ing - kind - ness.

48

 Musical notation for measures 48-52, featuring a treble and bass staff in G major. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "160 Thy Word is true from the be - gin - ning; and ev - 'ry one of Thy".

160 Thy Word is true from the be - gin - ning; and ev - 'ry one of Thy

53

 Musical notation for measures 53-57, featuring a treble and bass staff in G major. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "right - eous judg - ments en - dur - eth for ev - er.".

right - eous judg - ments en - dur - eth for ev - er.

Psalm 119U

Psalm 119:161-168; King James Version

Frederick Steinruck, 2000

♩ Schin

harm. Michael E. Owens, 2000

(♩ = 156)

161 Prin - ces have per - se - cut - ed me with - out a cause: but my heart

stand - eth in awe of Thy Word. 162 I re - joice at Thy Word, as

13

one that find - eth great spoil. 163 I hate and ab - hor ly - ing: but

21

Thy law do I love. 164 Sev - en times a day do I praise Thee be -

28

cause of Thy right - eous judg - ments. 165 Great peace have they which

35
 love Thy law: and no-thing shall of - fend them. 166 LORD,

41
 I have hoped for Thy sal - va - tion, and done Thy com - mand -

47
 ments. 167 My soul hath kept Thy test - i - mon - ies; and I

54
 love them ex - ceed - ing - ly. 168 I have kept Thy pre - cepts and

61
 Thy test - i - mon - ies: for all my ways are be - fore Thee.

Psalm 119V

Psalm 119:169-176; King James Version

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♩ Tau

Majestically (♩ = 96)

169 Let my cry come near be - fore Thee, O LORD: give

me un - der - stand - ing ac - cord - ing to Thy Word. 170 Let my

sup - pli - ca - tion come be - fore Thee: de - liv - er me ac - cord - ing

to Thy Word. 171 My lips shall ut - ter praise, when Thou hast taught

me Thy stat - utes. 172 My tongue shall speak of Thy Word: for all Thy com -

mand-ments are right - eous - ness. 173 Let Thine hand help me; for I

have cho - sen Thy pre - cepts. 174 I have longed for Thy sal -

va - tion, O LORD; and Thy law is my de - light.

175 Let my soul live, and it shall praise Thee; and let Thy judgments

help me. 176 I have gone a - stray like a lost sheep;

seek Thy ser - vant; for I do not for - get Thy com - mand - ments.

Psalm 119

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The Hebrew Alphabet

Script, Name and Pronunciation

א Aleph (aw'-lef)	ל Lamed (law'-med)
ב Beth (bayt)	מ Mem (mem)
ג Gimel (ghi'-mel)	נ Nun (nun)
ד Daleth (daw'-let)	ס Samekh (sah'-mek)
ה He (hay)	ע Ayin (ah'-yin)
ו Vau (waw)	פ Pe (pfay)
ז Zayin (zah'-yin)	צ Tzadde (tzah'-deh)
ח Cheth (khet)	ק Koph (qawf)
ט Teth (tet)	ר Resh (raysh)
י Yod (yode)	ש Shin (shin)
כ Kaph (khahf)	ת Tau (tau)