

**Isaiah 49:1–7**

**1** Listen to me, O coastlands,  
and give attention, you peoples from afar.

The Lord called me from the womb,  
from the body of my mother  
he named my name.

**2** He made my mouth like a sharp sword;  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow;  
in his quiver he hid me away.

**3** And he said to me, "You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

**4** But I said, "I have labored in vain;  
I have spent my strength for nothing  
and vanity;

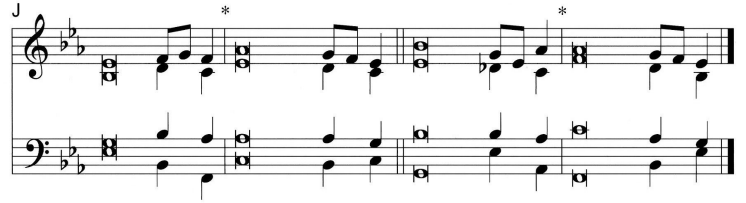
yet surely my right is with the Lord,  
and my recompense with my God."

**5** And now the Lord says,  
he who formed me from the womb  
to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him;  
and that Israel might be gathered to him—  
for I am honored in the eyes of the Lord,  
and my God has become my strength—

**6** he says:  
"It is too light a thing  
that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
and to bring back the preserved of Israel;  
I will make you as a light for the nations,  
that my salvation may reach  
to the end of the earth."

**7** Thus says the Lord,  
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation,  
the servant of rulers:

"Kings shall see and arise;  
princes,  
and they shall prostrate themselves;  
because of the Lord, who is faithful,  
the Holy One of Israel,  
who has chosen you."

**Psalm 40:1–11**

**1** I waited patiently | for the Lord;\*  
he inclined to me and | heard my cry.

**2** He drew me up from the pit of destruction,  
out of the | miry bog,\*  
and set my feet upon a rock,  
making my | steps secure.

**3** He put a new song in my mouth,  
a song of praise | to our God.\*

Many will see and fear,  
and put their trust | in the Lord.

**4** Blessed is the man who makes  
the | Lord his trust,\*  
who does not turn to the proud,  
to those who go astray af- | ter a lie!

**5** You have multiplied, O Lord my God,  
your wondrous deeds  
and your thoughts toward us;  
none can com- | pare with you!\*

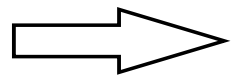
I will proclaim and tell of them,  
yet they are more than | can be told.

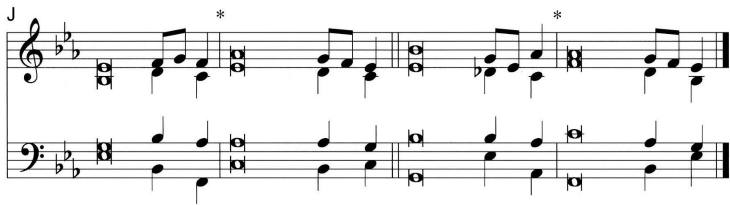
**6** Sacrifice and offering you have not desired,  
but you have given me an | open ear.\*

Burnt offering and sin offering  
you have | not required.

**7** Then I said, "Behold, | I have come;\*  
in the scroll of the book it is  
writ- | ten of me:

**8** I desire to do your will, | O my God;\*  
your law is with- | in my heart."





<sup>9</sup>I have told the glad news of deliverance  
in the great congre- | gation; \*  
behold, I have not restrained my lips,  
as you know, | O Lord.

<sup>10</sup>I have not hidden your deliverance  
within my heart;  
I have spoken of your faithfulness  
and your sal- | vation; \*

I have not concealed your steadfast love and  
your faithfulness  
from the great congre- | gation.

<sup>11</sup>As for you, O Lord, you will not restrain  
your mer- | cy from me; \*  
your steadfast love and your faithfulness will  
ever pre- | serve me!

### 1 Corinthians 1:1–9

<sup>1</sup>Paul, called by the will of God to be an  
apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother  
Sosthenes,

<sup>2</sup>To the church of God that is in Corinth, to  
those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be  
saints together with all those who in every place  
call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both  
their Lord and ours:

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our  
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you  
because of the grace of God that was given you  
in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>that in every way you were  
enriched in him in all speech and all  
knowledge—<sup>6</sup>even as the testimony about Christ  
was confirmed among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not  
lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the  
revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>8</sup>who will  
sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our  
Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful, by whom you  
were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus  
Christ our Lord.

### John 1:29–42a

<sup>29</sup>The next day [John] saw Jesus coming  
toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God,  
who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup>This is he  
of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who  
ranks before me, because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup>I  
myself did not know him, but for this purpose I  
came baptizing with water, that he might be  
revealed to Israel." <sup>32</sup>And John bore witness: "I  
saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove,  
and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know  
him, but he who sent me to baptize with water  
said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit  
descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with  
the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup>And I have seen and have  
borne witness that this is the Son of God."

<sup>35</sup>The next day again John was standing  
with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and he looked at  
Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the  
Lamb of God!" <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him  
say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>Jesus turned  
and saw them following and said to them, "What  
are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi"  
(which means Teacher), "where are you  
staying?" <sup>39</sup>He said to them, "Come and you will  
see." So they came and saw where he was  
staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it  
was about the tenth hour. <sup>40</sup>One of the two who  
heard John speak and followed Jesus was  
Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found  
his own brother Simon and said to him, "We  
have found the Messiah" (which means Christ).  
<sup>42</sup>He brought him to Jesus