

How blessed are all those

Psalm one

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The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It features four vocal parts: Soprano (s.), Alto (a.), Tenor (t.), and Bass (b.). The score is divided into systems, with measures 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, and 9-10. The lyrics are printed below the corresponding musical staves. The piece begins with a vocal entry for Soprano and Alto, followed by a tenor and bass entry. The lyrics describe the blessedness of those who do not walk in sin, comparing them to a tree by streams of water, and contrasting them with the wicked who are like chaff that is blown away by the wind.

s.
a.

//by night.
//be - half.

Start by tenor and bass only:

t.
b.

How bles-sed are all those who do not walk in sin, nor
And they are like a tree by streams of wa - ters found; They
The wick-ed will not stand, nor shall trans-gres-sors stay in

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t.
b.

do they stand in sin - ners' paths, nor do they sit with them; But
yield their fruit in seas - on and in right-eous-ness a - bound. The
con - gre - ga - tions of the just, nor walk with - in their way; For

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t.
b.

in the right - eous law of God is their de - light, and
wick - ed are not so, but they are like the chaff that
God knows righ - teous ones, who trust Him from their birth; But

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s.
a.

How
And
The

t.
b.

on this law they me - di - tate by day and then by
wind drives far a - way, and none shall speak on their be -
all who walk in wick - ed-ness will per - ish from the

9

s.
a.

bles - sed are all those who do not walk in sin, nor
they are like a tree by streams of wa - ters found; They
wick - ed will not stand, nor shall trans - gres - sors stay in

t.
b.

night.
half.
earth!

And
That
But

on
wind
all

this
drives
who

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s. a. do they stand in sin - ners' paths, nor do they sit with them, But
 yield their fruit in seas - on and in right-eous-ness a - bound. The
 con - gre - ga - tions of the just, nor walk with - in their way; For

t. b. law far walk they a - way, in wick - ed - di - and

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s. a. in the right-eous law of God is their de-light, and
 wick - ed are not so, but they are like the chaff that
 God knows righ-teous ones, who trust him from their birth; but

t. b. tate none ness by shall will day speak per - ish and on

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s. a. on this law they me - di - tate by day and then//
 wind drives far a - way, and none shall speak on their//
 all who walk in wick - ed-ness will//

t. b. then their from by be - the// night. half.

Coda:

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s. a. //per - ish from the earth! who do not walk in sin.

t. b. //earth! How bles-sed are all those who do not walk in sin. rit.