

Psalm 123 (Aus/NZ)

Our help is in the name of the Lord

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Response

C F G C

Voice

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Recorder

Piano

Verse 1

3 C Dm C G C Dm

Vo.

'If the Lord had not been on our side,' this is Is - rael's

Rec.

Pno.

6 C G F G C

Vo. song, 'if the Lord had not been on our side when

Rec.

Pno.

9 C F G C F

Vo. men rose a - gainst us, Then would they have

Rec.

Pno.

12 G C F C G

Vo. swal - lowed us a - live when their an - ger was kin - dled.

Rec.

Pno.

Response

15 C F G C

Vo. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Rec.

Pno.

Verse 2

17 C Dm C G C Dm

Vo. Then would the wa - ters have en - gulfed us, the tor - rent gone o - ver

Rec.

Pno.

20 C G F G C

Vo. us; o - ver our head would have swept the

Rec.

Pno.

23 C F G C F

Vo. ra - ging wa - ters! Bles - sed be the

Rec.

Pno.

26 G C F C G

Vo. Lord who did not give us a prey to their teeth!

Rec.

Pno.

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29 C F G C

Vo. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Rec.

Pno.

Verse 3

31 C Dm C G C Dm

Vo. Our life, like a bird, has es-caped from the snare of the

Rec.

Pno.

34 C G F G C

Vo. fow-ler. In - deed the snare has been bro - ken and

Rec.

Pno.

37 C F G C F

Vo. we have es - caped. Our help is in the

Rec.

Pno.

The musical score is arranged in three systems. Each system contains three staves: a vocal line (Vo.), a recorder line (Rec.), and a piano line (Pno.). The piano part is written in grand staff notation. Chord symbols (C, Dm, G, F) are placed above the vocal line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system (measures 31-33) has the lyrics 'Our life, like a bird, has es-caped from the snare of the'. The second system (measures 34-36) has the lyrics 'fow-ler. In - deed the snare has been bro - ken and'. The third system (measures 37-39) has the lyrics 'we have es - caped. Our help is in the'. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady eighth-note bass line and a treble line with chords and melodic fragments.

40 G C F C G

Vo. name of the Lord who made heav - en and earth.

Rec.

Pno.

Response

43 C F G C

Vo. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Rec.

Pno.