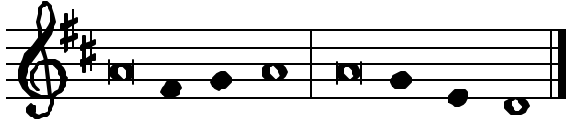


Psalm 45 I & II

Psalm Tone: Tone 3, Rev. Percy Jones



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Psalm 45

The marriage of the king

The Bridegroom is here; go out and welcome him
(Matthew 25:6).

I

My heart overflows with noble words.
To the king I must speak the song I have made; *
my tongue as nimble as the pen of a scribe.

You are the fairest of the children of men
and graciousness is poured u-pon your lips: *
because God has blessed you for ev-ermore.

O mighty one, gird your sword upon your thigh;
in splendor and state, ride on in triumph *
for the cause of truth and good-ness and right.

Take aim with your bow in your dread right hand.
Your arrows are sharp: peoples fall beneath you. *
The foes of the king fall down and lose heart.

Your throne, O God, shall endure for ever.
A scepter of justice is the scepter of your kingdom. *
Your love is for justice; your hat-red for evil.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above o-ther kings: *
your robes are fragrant with a-loes and myrrh.

From the ivory palace you are greeted with music.
The daughters of kings are a-mong your loved ones.*
On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Ho-ly Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, *
is now, and will be for ev-er. A - men.

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II

Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words: *
forget your own people and your fu-ther's house.
So will the king de-sire your beauty: *
he is your lord, pay hom-age to him.

And the people of Tyre shall come with gifts, *
the richest of the people shall seek your favor.
The daughter of the king is clothed with splendor, *
her robes embroidered with pearls set in gold.

She is led to the king with her maiden companions.
They are escorted amid glad-ness and joy; *
they pass within the palace of the king.

Sons shall be yours in place of your fathers: *
you will make them princes over all the earth.
May this song make your name for ev-er remembered. *
May the peoples praise you from age to age.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Ho-ly Spirit.

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is now, and will be for ev-er. A - men.