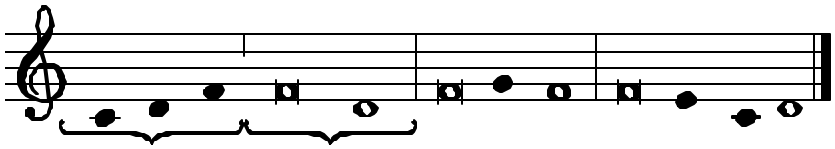
Psalm 143

Psalm Tone: Gregorian Tone 2.



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Psalm 143
Prayer in distress
A person is not justified by observance of the law but only through faith in Jesus Christ (Galatians 2:16).

Lord, lis-ten to my prayer:
turn your ear to my ap-*peal*. †
You are faithful, you are just; give *an*-swer. *
Do not call your servant to judgment
for no one is just *in* your sight.

The enemy pursues my soul;
he has crushed my life to the *ground*; †
he has made me dwell in darkness
like the dead, long for-*got*-ten. *
Therefore my spirit fails;
my heart is *numb* within me.

I remember the days that are past:
I ponder all your *works*. †
I muse on what your hand has wrought,
and to you I stretch out *my* hands. *
Like a parched land my soul *thirsts* for you.

Lord, make haste and answer;
for my spirit fails within *me*. †
Do not hide *your* face *
lest I become like those *in* the grave.

In the morning let me know your love
for I put my trust in *you*. †
Make me know the way I *should* walk: *
to you I lift *up* my soul.

Rescue me, Lord, from my enemies;
I have fled to you for re-*fuge*. †
Teach me to do your will
for you, O Lord, are *my* God. *
Let your good spirit guide me
in ways that are le-*vel* and smooth.

For your name's sake, Lord, save *my* life; *
in your justice save my soul *from* distress.

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

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

Grail Psalmody

Psalm 143 used: EP Good Fri., EP Holy Sat., MP Thurs. WkIV, & NP Tues.