

Have mercy upon me

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Psalm 51: 1-2

Versus

Cantus Primus
(Soprano)

Cantus Secundus
(Treble Viol**/Alto)

Contratenor
(Treble Viol/Alto)

Tenor
(Tenor Viol/Tenor)

Sextus
(Tenor Viol/Tenor)

Bassus
(Bass Viol/Bass)

S.

Have mer - cy up - on me O _____ God,

Tr. Viol/A.

Tr. Viol/A.

T. Viol/T.

T. Viol/T.

B. Viol/B.

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* Ranges shown are for the vocal parts only. The instruments play throughout, doubling the voices in Chorus sections.

** The Cantus Secundus part is employed only in the Chorus sections, but it is likely here that a viol would have doubled the voice.

Chorus

10

S.

Tr. Viol/A.
Have mer - cy up - on me O God,

Tr. Viol/A.
Have mer - cy up-on me O God,

T. Viol/T.
Have mer - cy up-on me O God,

T. Viol/T.
Have mer - cy up - on me O God,

B. Viol/B.
Have mer - cy up - on me O God,

Versus

S.
have mer - cy up - on me O God, af - ter thy

Tr. Viol/A.

Tr. Viol/A.
God,

T. Viol/T.

T. Viol/T.
God,

B. Viol/B.

Chorus

20

S. great good - - - ness,

Tr. Viol/A. have mer - cy up - on me O

Tr. Viol/A. have mer - cy up - on me O

T. Viol/T. have mer - cy up - on me O

T. Viol/T. have mer - cy up - on me O

B. Viol/B. have mer - cy up - on me O

S.

Tr. Viol/A. God, af - ter thy great good - ness, thy great

Tr. Viol/A. God, af - ter thy great good - ness,

T. Viol/T. God, af - ter thy great good - ness, thy great good -

T. Viol/T. God, af - ter thy

B. Viol/B. God, af - ter thy great good - ness, af - ter thy great

Versus

30

S. And ac - cord - ing to the mul - ti-

Tr. Viol/A. good - ness.

Tr. Viol/A. good - ness.

T. Viol/T. - ness.

T. Viol/T. great good - ness.

B. Viol/B. good - ness.

S. - tude of thy mer - cies wipe a - way, wipe

Tr. Viol/A.

Tr. Viol/A.

T. Viol/T.

T. Viol/T.

B. Viol/B.

Chorus

S. 
a - way mine of - fen - - - ces,

Tr. Viol/A.  And_

Tr. Viol/A.  And_

T. Viol/T.  And_

T. Viol/T. 

B. Viol/B.  And_

40
S. 

Tr. Viol/A.  ac - cord - ing to the mul - ti - tude of thy mer -

Tr. Viol/A.  ac - cord - ing to the mul - ti - tude of thy mer -

T. Viol/T.  ac - cord - ing to the mul - ti - tude of thy mer -

T. Viol/T.  And ac - cord - ing to the mul - ti - tude of thy mer -

B. Viol/B.  ac - cord - ing to the mul - ti - tude of thy mer -

S. 

Tr. Viol/A. - cies wipe a - way, wipe a - way mine of - fen -

Tr. Viol/A. - cies wipe a - way mine of - fen - ces, wipe a - way mine_

T. Viol/T. - cies wipe a - way

T. Viol/T. - cies wipe a - way, wipe a - way mine of - fen - ces,

B. Viol/B. - cies wipe a - way, wipe a - way mine of - fen - ces, wipe a -

Versus

50

S. Wash me clean from_

Tr. Viol/A. - - - ces.

Tr. Viol/A. of - fen - ces.

T. Viol/T. mine of - fen - ces.

T. Viol/T. mine of - fen - ces.

B. Viol/B. - way mine of - fen - ces.

S. — my wick - ed - ness, and purge me from my sins,

Tr. Viol/A.

Tr. Viol/A.

T. Viol/T.

T. Viol/T.

B. Viol/B.

Chorus

S. and purge me from my sins, from my sins,

Tr. Viol/A.

Tr. Viol/A.

T. Viol/T.

T. Viol/T.

B. Viol/B.

Wash_

Wash_

Wash_

Wash_

Wash_

60

S. Wash me clean from my wick -

Tr. Viol/A. me clean, wash me clean from my wick -

Tr. Viol/A. me clean, wash me clean from my wick -

T. Viol/T. me clean, wash me clean from my wick - ed - ness, from my

T. Viol/T. me clean, wash me clean from my wick - ed

B. Viol/B. me clean, wash me clean from my wick -

S. - ed - ness, and purge me from my sins,

Tr. Viol/A. - ed - ness, and purge me from my sins, from my

Tr. Viol/A. - ed - ness, from my wick - ed - ness, and purge me

T. Viol/T. wick - ed - ness, and purge me from my sins, from

T. Viol/T. - ness, and purge me from my sins,

B. Viol/B. - ed - ness, and purge me from my sins, from my sins, and

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S. and purge me from my sins, from my

Tr. Viol/A. sins, and purge me from my sins, from my

Tr. Viol/A. from my sins, from my sins, and purge me from my

T. Viol/T. my sins, and purge me, and purge me from my

T. Viol/T. and purge me from my

B. Viol/B. purge me from my sins, and purge me from my sins, from my

S. sins. A - - - - - men.

Tr. Viol/A. sins. A - - - - - men.

Tr. Viol/A. sins. A - - - - - men.

T. Viol/T. sins. A - - - - - men.

T. Viol/T. sins. A - - - - - men.

B. Viol/B. sins. A - - - - - men.