

Psalm 97 Christmas-Year B; also Easter 7-Year C

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Re - jice in the Lord, you right - eous, and give thanks to his ho - ly Name.

Verses

1. The Lord is King; let the earth re - jice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.

2. Clouds and dark-ness are round a - bout him, righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.

3. A fire goes be - fore him and burns up his enemies orev - ery side.

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4. His light - nings light up the world; the earth sees it and is af - raid.

5. The moun-tains melt like wax at the pres-ence of the Lord, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The musical score for verse 5 consists of a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in G minor and features a series of eighth notes in the first measure, followed by a half note and a whole note. The piano accompaniment provides a harmonic foundation with chords and single notes in both hands.

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6. The hea - vens de - clare his right - eous - ness, and all the peoples see his glo - ry.

The musical score for verse 6 includes a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a half note, followed by eighth notes, and ends with a whole note. The piano accompaniment continues with harmonic support.

7. Confounded be all who worship carved images and de-light in false gods! Bow down before him, all you gods.

The musical score for verse 7 features a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line starts with a whole note, followed by eighth notes, and ends with a whole note. The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic accompaniment.

8. Zion hears and is glad, and the ci - ties of Ju - dah re - joice, because of your judg - ments, O Lord.

The musical score for verse 8 consists of a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a whole note, followed by eighth notes, and ends with a whole note. The piano accompaniment continues with harmonic support.

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9. For you are the Lord, most high o - ver all the earth; you are exalted far a - bove all gods.

The musical score for verse 9 includes a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line starts with a whole note, followed by eighth notes, and ends with a whole note. The piano accompaniment provides a harmonic accompaniment.

10. The Lord loves those who hate evil; he pre - serves the lives of his saints,

and delivers them from the hand of the wick - ed.

11. Light has sprung up for the right - eous, and joyful gladness for those who are true - hear - ted. ***Refrain**