

# Now Israel may say, and that truly

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Paraphrased by William Whittingham (1524-79)

Psalms 124

Ipswich, by John Bishop (1665-1737)

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[♩=120]

Soprano

Now Is - ra - el may say, and that tru - ly,  
*Then long a - go they had de - voured us all,*  
The ra - ging streams most proud in roar - ing noise,  
*E'en as a bird from fow - ler's gin or pen*

Alto

Tenor  
[Air]

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Bass

7

S

If that the Lord had not our cause main - tained,  
*And swal - lowed quick, for ought that we could deem;*  
Had long a - go o'er - whelmed us in the deep;  
*Es - capes a - way, right so it fares with us;*

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S  
If that the Lord had not our right sus - tained,  
*Such was their rage, as we might well es - teem*  
Prais - ed be God, which doth us safe - ly keep  
*Broke are the nets, and we es - cap - ed thus.*

A

T  
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*Such was their rage, as we might well es - teem*  
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B

19

S  
When all the world a - gainst us fu - rious - ly  
*And as the floods with might - ty force do fall,*  
From bloo - dy teeth, and their most cru - el voice  
*God that made heav'n and earth is our help - then,*

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25

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Made their up - roars, and said, we should all die.  
*So had they now our lives e'en brought to thrall.*  
Which as a prey to eat us would re - joice.  
*His name hath saved us from these wick - ed men.*

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