

# The Lord looked down from heaven's high tower

New Version of Tate and Brady (1696)

*Devides*, by Isaac Tucker (1761-1825)  
 Edited by Francis Roads; symphony by Mike Bailey

## Psalm 53 verses 2-6

[♩=60]

Soprano [Air]  
 The Lord looked down from heaven's high

Alto  
 The Lord looked down from heaven's high

Tenor  
 The Lord looked down from heaven's high

Bass  
 The Lord looked down from heaven's high

Keyboard

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 S tower, The sons of men to view;  
 A tower, The sons of men to view;  
 T tower, The sons of men to view;  
 B tower, The sons of men to view;  
 Kbd. tower, The sons of men to view;

2. But all, he saw, were backwards gone,  
 Degen'rate grown, and base;  
 None for religion cared, not one,  
 Of all the sinful race.

3. But are those workers of deceit  
 So dull and senseless grown,  
 That they, like bread, my people eat,  
 And God's just power disown?

4. Their causeless fears shall strangely grow,  
 And they, despised of God,  
 Shall soon be foiled; his hand shall throw  
 Their shattered bones abroad.

5. Would he his saving power employ  
 To break our servile band,  
 Loud shouts of universal joy  
 Should echo through the land.

Circled numbers correspond with lines of text.

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S To see if a - ny owned his power, *[p]* Or truth or

A To see if a - ny owned his power, *[p]* Or truth or

T To see if a - ny owned his power,

B To see if a - ny owned his power,

Kbd.

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S jus - tice knew, *[f]* Or truth or jus - tice knew.

A jus - tice knew, *[f]* Or truth or jus - tice knew.

T Or truth or jus - tice knew.

B Or truth or jus - tice knew.

Kbd.

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Symphony

S

A

T

B

Kbd.