

We bless the Lord, the just, the good

Paraphrased by Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Psalm 68 verses 1-4

Acle, from the Briston MS
Edited by Francis Roads

Symphony

Soprano
Alto
Tenor [Air]
Bass

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1. We bless the Lord, the just, the good, Who fills our
2. *He sends the sun his circuit round, To cheer the*
3. 'Tis to his care we owe our breath, And all our
4. *He makes the saint and sin - ner prove The com - mon*

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hearts with joy and food; Who pours his bless - ings from the skies,
fruits, to warm the ground; He bids the clouds, with plen - teous rain
near - es - capes from death; Safe - ty and health to God be - long;
bles - sings of his love; But the wide diff' - rence that re - mains,

We bless the Lord, the just, the good

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And loads our days with rich³ supp - lies.
Re - fresh the thir - sty earth a - gain.
 He heals the weak, and guards the strong.
 Is en - dless joy, or end - less pains.

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Notes and emendations: Bar 7 bass note 4: original f# and a' chord.

Bar 14 alto: f#s; Bar 15 alto note 2: f#'

This edition is based on a transcription kindly supplied to the editor by Chris Gutteridge. The unconventional harmonies have been left as in the original manuscript.