

A New Magnificat

Hannah: My heart exults in the Lord;
my strength is exalted in the Lord.
My mouth derides my enemies;
I rejoice in God's salvation.

Mary: My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior,
who looks upon a lowly handmaid with favor.
All generations shall call me blessed.

Congregation



Hannah: There is none holy like the Lord;
there is no rock like our God.
Let not your mouth be arrogant,
for the Lord is a God of all knowledge.

Mary: For God who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is God's name.
And God's mercy is giv'n to God's people
from generation to generation.

Congregation



Hannah: The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the feeble put on strength.
Those who were full are hungry,
and those who were hungry are filled.

Mary: Strong is the arm of the Lord,
who has scattered the proud in their hearts;
God has put down the mighty
and lifted those of low degree.

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Hannah: The Lord kills and brings to life;
God brings low and also exalts.
God lifts up the poor from the dust
to sit with rulers and inherit a seat of honor.

Choir: For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's
and on them God has set the world.

Mary: Strong is the arm of the Lord,
who has scattered the proud in their hearts.
God has filled the hungry,
and the rich have been sent empty away.

Congregation



Hannah: God will guard the faithful flock,
and human might shall not prevail.
The Lord will judge the earth;
and will exalt the pow'r of God's anointed.

Mary: For the Lord has helped the servant Israel
in remembrance of God's love and mercy,
which was promised to Sarah and Abraham,
and to their children's children forever.

Congregation



Hannah: Alleluia!

Mary: Alleluia!

Choir: Amen.

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