

Never forget the deeds of the Lord

Psalm 77

Music by Martin Foster

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems. The first system features a vocal line with the lyrics 'Ne - ver for - get the deeds of the Lord.' and a piano accompaniment. The second system continues the piano accompaniment with a more active melodic line in the right hand and a steady bass line in the left hand.

1. Give heed, my people to my teaching;
turn your ear to the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth in a parable
and reveal hidden lessons of the past.
2. When he slew them then they would seek him,
return and seek him in earnest.
They would remember that God was their rock,
God the Most High their redeemer.
3. But the words they spoke were mere flattery;
they lied to him with their lips.
For their hearts were not truly with him;
they were not faithful to his covenant.
4. Yet he who is full of compassion
forgave their sin and spared them.
So often he held back his anger
when he might have stirred up his rage.

Psalm 77 (78): 1–2. 34–38 R.v.7

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