

# Psalm 78: Do Not Forget the Works of the Lord

## Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Psalm 78:1-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38

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Tone of Hymn of Praise  
in History or Tradition

Like a ballad ♩ = 80  
Antiphon

Harmony

Melody

Do not for-get the works of the Lord! — Do not for-get the works of the Lord!

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Capo 3: G C G DSUS4 D C D G  
Bb Eb Bb FSUS4 Eb F Bb

### Verse 1

1. Give ear, my peo-ple, to my teach - your ear to the words of my mouth. I will

o - pen my mouth in a - ra-ble and ut - ter hid - den les - sons of the past.

D C/D Bm D ASUS4 A  
F Eb/F Dm F CSUS4 C

Am Cmaj7 DSUS4 D Am7 DSUS4 D  
Cm Ebmaj7 FSUS4 F Cm7 FSUS4 F

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Verse 2

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2. When he slew them, then they sought him, re - pent - ed and ear - nest - ly sought him. They were re -

*D C/D Bm D Em D ASUS4 A*  
*F Eb/F Dm F Gm F CSUS4*

Musical notation for Verse 2, measures 13-16. The vocal line is in G minor (one flat) and 4/4 time. The piano accompaniment consists of a right-hand melody and a left-hand bass line. The notes in the vocal line are: G4, A4, Bb4, C5, Bb4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4, Bb3, A3, G3, F3, E3, D3, C3, Bb2, A2, G2, F2, E2, D2, C2, Bb1, A1, G1, F1, E1, D1, C1, Bb0, A0, G0, F0, E0, D0, C0, Bb-1, A-1, G-1, F-1, E-1, D-1, C-1, Bb-2, A-2, G-2, F-2, E-2, D-2, C-2, Bb-3, A-3, G-3, F-3, E-3, D-3, C-3, Bb-4, A-4, G-4, F-4, E-4, D-4, C-4, Bb-5, A-5, G-5, F-5, E-5, D-5, C-5, Bb-6, A-6, G-6, F-6, E-6, D-6, C-6, Bb-7, A-7, G-7, F-7, E-7, D-7, C-7, Bb-8, A-8, G-8, F-8, E-8, D-8, C-8, Bb-9, A-9, G-9, F-9, E-9, D-9, C-9, Bb-10, A-10, G-10, F-10, E-10, D-10, C-10, Bb-11, A-11, G-11, F-11, E-11, D-11, C-11, Bb-12, A-12, G-12, F-12, E-12, D-12, C-12, Bb-13, A-13, G-13, F-13, E-13, D-13, C-13, Bb-14, A-14, G-14, F-14, E-14, D-14, C-14, Bb-15, A-15, G-15, F-15, E-15, D-15, C-15, Bb-16, A-16, G-16, F-16, E-16, D-16, C-16, Bb-17, A-17, G-17, F-17, E-17, D-17, C-17, Bb-18, A-18, G-18, F-18, E-18, D-18, C-18, Bb-19, A-19, G-19, F-19, E-19, D-19, C-19, Bb-20, A-20, G-20, F-20, E-20, D-20, C-20, Bb-21, 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Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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hearts were not stead - fast toward him; they were not faith - ful to his cove - nant.

*Am Cm DSUS4 D Am7 DSUS4 D*  
*Cm Ebmaj7 FSUS4 F Cm7 FSUS4*

Verse 4

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4. Yet he who is full of com - pas - sion forgave them their sin and spared them. So

*D C/D Bm D ASUS4 A*  
*F Eb/F Dm Gm F CSUS4 C*

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of - ten he would back - bite his ser - vants, and did not stir up all his rage.

*Am Cm DSUS4 D Am7 DSUS4 D*  
*Cm Ebmaj7 FSUS4 F Cm7 FSUS4 F*

