

Psalm 23

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Introduction. Cantor sings refrain. All repeat refrain. Cantor sings verses. All sing refrain after each group of verses. In the psalm-tone the singer leaves the reciting note on the underlined word or syllable.

Introduction

O — God is my shep - herd, I shall not be in want.

1 2 3 4

The musical score consists of three systems. The first system is an introduction for piano, labeled 'Introduction', in G minor (two flats) and 4/4 time. The second system is a vocal line with piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in G minor and 4/4 time. The lyrics are 'O — God is my shep - herd, I shall not be in want.' The piano accompaniment is in G minor and 4/4 time. The third system is a piano accompaniment for the refrain, consisting of four measures. The first measure is marked with a '1', the second with a '2', the third with a '3', and the fourth with a '4'. The piano accompaniment is in G minor and 4/4 time.

- (1) O God, you are my shepherd;
- (2) I shall not be in want.
- (3) You make me lie down in green pastures
- (4) and lead me beside still waters. **R.**

- (1) You revive my soul
- (2) and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
- (3) Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
- (4) for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **R.**

- (1) You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
- (2) you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- (3) Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
- (4) and I will dwell in your house, O God, for ever. **R.**