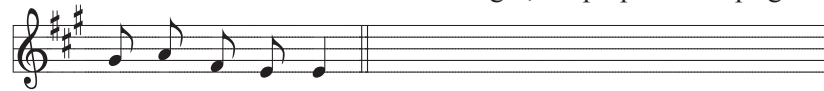


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8. G. There was a man sent from God whose name was John. *



He came to bear witness to the light, to prepare an upright



peo-ple for the Lord.



It is good to give thanks to the | **Lord**,
 to sing praise to your name, | *O Most High*,
 to proclaim your kindness at | **dawn**
 and your faithfulness throughout the | **night**. (R)

How great are your works, O | **Lord** !
 How very deep | *are your thoughts* !
 A senseless man knows | **not**,
 nor does a fool under- | **stand** this. (R)

The just man shall flourish like the | **palm** tree,
 like a cedar of Lebanon | *shall he grow*.
 They that are planted in the house of the | **Lord**
 shall flourish in the courts of our | **God**. (R)

They shall bear fruit even in old | **age** ;
 vigorous and strudy | *shall they be*,
 declaring how just is the | **Lord**,
 my Rock, / in whom there is no | **wrong**. (R)

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1. g. Through the ten-der com-pas-sion of our God, * the dawn from



on high shall break up- on us.



Blessed be the Lord, the God | *of Is-ra-el*,
 because he has visited and wrought redemption | *for his peo-ple*,
 and has raised up a horn of salvation | *for us*
 in the house of David | *his ser-vant*. (R)

And you, O child, shall | *be called*
 the prophet of | *the Most High* ;
 for you shall go before | *the Lord*
 to prepare | *his ways*. (R)

To give his people knowledge of | *sal-va-tion*
 through the forgiveness | *of their sins*,
 because of the compassionate kindness of | *our God*
 with which the Orient from on high | *will vis-it us*. (R)

To shine on those who sit | *in dark-ness*
 and the sha- | *dow of death*,
 to guide | *our feet*
 into the way | *of peace*. (R)