

THE MAGNIFICAT (THE SONG OF MARY - LUKE 1. 46-56) FOR TODAY

Praise God, God is great!

God is my Saviour, my warm delight.

I'm bursting with the joy of God-news, dancing the song of my Saviour God.

For he has come to my rescue, taken me from nowhere, from nothing,
and put me on his pedestal, lifted me as high as heaven.

What God has done for me will never be forgotten,
the God whose very name is holy, set apart from all others.

This is the way of God.

He turns the world upside down.

The high and mighty, the proud and pompous fly scattered to the winds,
bluffing braggarts are scattered, tyrants knocked off their high horses.

The weak and the poor, the victims and oppressed are pulled out of the mud
and raised to the heights.

The starving poor are sat down to a banquet and the callous rich are left out
in the cold.

This is how our God has always been,
since Abraham so long ago and the promises he received.

This is the mercy, the goodness of God we have always known.

This is God's strength to turn tables over
and set free those who are oppressed and victimised.

From now on

everyone will remember me
and call me blessed by God.

God is great! God is great!

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