

# Psalm 27

*Of David*

C F

1. The LORD's my sav - iour and my light;  
2. Al - though an ar - my hems me in,  
3. That on the beau - ty of the LORD  
4. My head will then be lif - ted high  
5. O do not hide your face from me  
6. Teach me, O LORD, how I should live,

G C

who will make me dis - mayed? The LORD's the strong - hold of my  
my heart will feel no dread; though war a - gainst me should a -  
I con - stant - ly may gaze, and in his house may seek to  
a - bove my en - e - mies; and in his tent I'll sac - ri -  
and do not turn a - side your ser - vant in your right - eous  
and lead me in your way; make straight my path, be - cause my

F G C

life; why should I be a - fraid? When e - vil - do - ers threat - en  
rise, I will lift up my head. One thing I'll plead be - fore the  
know dir - ec - tion in his ways. For in his dwel - ling he will  
fice with shouts of joy and praise. LORD, hear me when I call to  
wrath, for you have been my guide. O God, my Sav - iour, leave me  
foes op - press me ev - 'ry day. Give me not o - ver to the

F G Am

me to take my life a - way, my ad - ver - sar - ies and my  
LORD, and this I'll seek al - ways: that I may come with - in God's  
keep me safe in troub - led days; with - in his tent he'll shel - ter  
you; be mer - ci - ful and speak! "Come, seek my face," you told my  
not; do not re - ject my plea. My par - ents may for - sake me,  
will of vic - ious en - e - mies; for li - ars rise to slan - der

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foes will stum - ble in that day. ties.  
 house and dwell there all my days.  
 me, and on a rock I'm raised.  
 heart; your face, LORD, I will seek.  
 LORD, but you will wel - come me.  
 me and breathe out cru - el

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C F G C

Yet in the land where there is life,  
 God's good-ness I will see.

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F G C

Wait for the LORD; be strong, take heart.  
 For him wait pa-tient - ly.

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**PSALM 27**

**C** **F**  
1. The LORD's my saviour and my light—  
**G** **C**  
who will make me dismayed?  
**C** **F**  
The LORD's the stronghold of my life—  
**G** **C**  
why should I be afraid?  
**C** **F**  
When evildoers threaten me  
**G** **Am**  
to take my life away,  
**Am** **F**  
My adversaries and my foes  
**G** **C**  
will stumble in that day.

**C** **F**  
2. Although an army hems me in,  
**G** **C**  
my heart will feel no dread;  
**C** **F**  
Though war against me should arise,  
**G** **C**  
I will lift up my head.  
**C** **F**  
One thing I'll plead before the LORD,  
**G** **Am**  
and this I'll seek always:  
**Am** **F**  
That I may come within God's house  
**G** **C**  
and dwell there all my days—

**C** **F**  
3. That on the beauty of the LORD  
**G** **C**  
I constantly may gaze,  
**C** **F**  
And in his house may seek to know  
**G** **C**  
direction in his ways.  
**C** **F**  
For in his dwelling he will keep  
**G** **Am**  
me safe in troubled days;  
**Am** **F**  
Within his tent he'll shelter me,  
**G** **C**  
and on a rock I'm raised.

**C** **F**  
4. My head will then be lifted high  
**G** **C**  
above my enemies;  
**C** **F**  
And in his tent I'll sacrifice  
**G** **C**  
with shouts of joy and praise.  
**C** **F**  
LORD, hear me when I call to you;  
**G** **Am**  
be merciful and speak!  
**Am** **F**  
"Come, seek my face!" you told my heart;  
**G** **C**  
your face, LORD, I will seek.

**C** **F**  
5. O do not hide your face from me,  
**G** **C**  
and do not turn aside  
**C** **F**  
Your servant in your righteous wrath,  
**G** **C**  
for you have been my guide.  
**C** **F**  
O God my Saviour, leave me not;  
**G** **Am**  
do not reject my plea.  
**Am** **F**  
My parents may forsake me, LORD,  
**G** **C**  
but you will welcome me.

**C** **F**  
6. Teach me, O LORD, how I should live,  
**G** **C**  
and lead me in your way;  
**C** **F**  
Make straight my path, because my foes  
**G** **C**  
oppress me every day.  
**C** **F**  
Give me not over to the will  
**G** **Am**  
of vicious enemies;  
**C** **F**  
For liars rise to slander me  
**G** **C**  
and breathe out cruelties.

**C** **F**  
7. Yet in the land where there is life  
**G** **C**  
God's goodness I will see.  
**C** **F**  
Wait for the LORD; be strong, take heart.  
**G** **C**  
For him wait patiently.  
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**G** **C**  
For him wait patiently.

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