### ELW Psalm 143

1Lord, hear my prayer, and in your faithfulness heed my | supplications;

answer me | in your righteousness.

**2Enter not into judgment | with your servant,**

**for in your sight shall no one liv- | ing be justified.**

3For my enemy has sought my life and has crushed me | to the ground,

making me live in dark places like those who | are long dead.

**4My spirit | faints within me;**

**my heart within | me is desolate.**

5I remember the time past; I ponder | all your deeds;

I consider the works | of your hands.

**6I spread out my | hands to you;**

**my soul gasps to you like a | thirsty land.**

7O Lord, make haste to answer me; my | spirit fails me;

do not hide your face from me, or I shall be like those who go down | to the pit.

**8Let me hear of your lovingkindness in the morning, for I put my | trust in you;**

**show me the road that I must walk, for I lift up my | soul to you.**

9Deliver me from my ene- | mies, O Lord,

for I flee to | you for refuge.

**10Teach me to do what pleases you, for you | are my God;**

**let your good spirit lead me on | level ground.**

11Revive me, O Lord, | for your name’s sake;

for your righteousness’ sake, bring me | out of trouble.

**12In your steadfast love, destroy my enemies and bring all my | foes to naught,**

**for truly I | am your servant.**

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