

# PSALM 51: BE MERCIFUL, O LORD/ CREATE A CLEAN HEART

**\*REFRAIN:** *Slow, with gentle pulse* 1st time: Cantor, All repeat; thereafter: All

E(no 3rd) *p* Am Em Fmaj7 Dm Am

Be mer - ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned;

C F G Am Em Am *Fine*

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## VERSE 1: Cantor

A(no 3rd) Dm/F Gm Dm/F Gm

1. Have mer - cy on me, God, in your kind - ness. In your com -

Dm/F Gm Dm/F Dm/E F

1. pas - sion blot out my of - fense. O wash me more and

G Am G Dm/F G E *D.C./D.S.*

1. more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin.

## VERSE 2: Cantor

A(no 3rd) Dm/F Gm Dm/F Gm

2. My of - fen - ses tru - ly I know them; my

Dm/F Gm Dm/F Dm/E F

2. sin is al - ways be - fore me. A - gainst you, you a -

G Am G Dm/F G E *D.C./D.S.*

2. lone, have I sinned; what is e - vil in your sight I have done.

\*Alternate refrain may be found on the next page.

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VERSE 3: Cantor

3. A pure heart cre - ate for me, O God, put a  
 Dm/F Gm Dm/F Gm  
 3. stead - fast spir - it with - in me. Do not cast me a - way from your  
 Dm/F Gm Dm/F Dm/E F G  
 3. pres - ence, nor de - prive me of your ho - ly spir - it. *D.C./D.S.*

VERSE 4: Cantor

4. Give me a - gain the joy of your help; with a  
 Dm/F Gm Dm/F Dm/E F  
 4. spir - it of fer - vor sus - tain me. O Lord,  
 G Am G Dm/F G E *D.C./D.S. al fine*  
 4. o - pen my lips, and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.

ALTERNATE REFRAIN: 1st time: Cantor, All repeat; thereafter: All

Cre - ate a clean heart in me, cre - ate a  
 Am Gm

clean heart in me, O God. *Final (Am)*  
 F Dm Am to Verses (2/4)