

GOSPEL CANTICLE (BENEDICTUS)

Capo 3: (A) (D) (Dsus4) (D) (Bm) (Em) (A) (D) (A)
 C F Fsus4 F Dm Gm C F C



1. Blest be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to set us free and
 2. With prom-ised mer-cy will God still the cov - e - nant re - call, the
 3. My child, as proph-et of the Lord you will pre - pare the way, to

(D) (Dsus4) (D) (Bm) (Em) (A) (D)
 F Fsus4 F Dm Gm C F



1. rais - es up new hope for us: a Branch for Da - vid's tree. So
 2. oath once sworn to A - bra - ham from foes to save us all; that
 3. tell God's peo - ple they are saved from sin's e - ter - nal sway. Then

(F#m) (A) (D) (A) (D/F#) (Em7) (A) (Asus4) (A)
 Am C F C F/A Gm7 C Csus4 C



1. have the proph - ets long de - clared that with a might - y arm God
 2. we might wor - ship with - out fear and of - fer lives of praise, in
 3. shall God's mer - cy from on high shine forth and nev - er cease to

(D) (Dsus4) (D) (Bm) (Em) (Asus4) (A) (D)
 F Fsus4 F Dm Gm Csus4 C F



1. would turn back our en - e - mies and all who wish us harm.
 2. ho - li - ness and righ - teous - ness to serve God all our days.
 3. drive a - way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

Note: When guitar and keyboard play together, keyboardists should improvise using the guitar chords above the melody.

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