

# What if the Lord Had Not Been on Our Side?

PSALM 124 - Genevan Psalter (altered)

## Hypo-Ionian

F B $\flat$  F C7 F

1. What if the Lord had not been on our side?  
 2. With - out the help of God, of him who saves,  
 3. God res - cued us from teeth that rip and tear.

F/A Gm F/A B $\flat$  C

Let Is - ra - el de - clare this far and wide:  
 fierce tor - rents would have swept us to our graves.  
 Praise him who broke the fowl - er's dead - ly snare.

C F C F C7/E F

If when our foes at - tacked in bit - ter strife,  
 Yes, if the Lord had not been mer - ci - ful,  
 We have es - caped, are free now like a bird.

F C7/E F C F G C

the Lord our God had not been on our side,  
 we would have per - ished in the roar - ing waves.  
 Our help comes from the Lord who hears our prayer,

F C7 F C7/E F

they sure - ly would have swal - lowed us a - live.  
 The rag - ing wa - ters would have drowned us all.  
 from him who shaped cre - a - tion by his word.

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