

# Benedictus

## Canticle of Zachary

Based on Luke 1:68-79  
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(♩ = ca. 52) C Am7 Dm7 Gm7 Csus4 C F B♭/F F

1. Blest be the Lord, the God of Is - ra - el,  
2. The proph - ets tell a sto - ry just be - gun  
3. This is the oath once sworn to A - bra - ham:  
4. And you, my child, this day you shall be called  
5. The ten - der love God prom - ised from our birth  
6. All glo - ry be to God, Cre - a - tor blest,

Gm7 C F Gm7 Gm/B♭ C

1. Who brings the dawn and dark - est night dis - pels, Who rais - es  
2. Of van - quished foe and glo - rious vic - t'ry won, Of prom - ise  
3. All shall be free to dwell up - on the land, Free now to  
4. The prom - ised one, the proph - et of our God, For you will  
5. Is soon to dawn up - on this shad - owed earth, To shine on  
6. To Je - sus Christ, God's love made man - i - fest, And to the

Am7 Dm7 Gm/B♭ C F/A

1. up a might - y Sav - ior from the earth, Of Da - vid's  
 2. made to all who keep the law as guide: God's faith - ful  
 3. praise, un - harmed by the op - pres - sor's rod, Ho - ly and  
 4. go be - fore the Lord to clear the way, And shep - herd  
 5. those whose sor - rows seem to nev - er cease, To guide our  
 6. Ho - ly Spir - it, gen - tle Com - fort - er, All glo - ry

Bbadd9 Gm7 Gm7/Bb C Dm C

1. line, a son of roy - al birth. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. love and mer - cy will a - bide. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. righ - teous in the sight of God. \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. all in - to the light of day. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. feet in - to the path of peace. \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. be, both now and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_

Am7 Dm7 Gm7 Csus4 C F Bb/F F *D.S. (Fine)*

*(non rit.)* *(Fine)*