

# Choral Series for Young People



## Salmo 33: Gusten y Vean/ Psalm 34: Taste and See

Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
Verse 4, Estela García-López and Rodolfo López

Estela García-López and Rodolfo López  
*Acc. by Scott Soper*

**INTRO** ( $\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 100$ )

C Am Dm G7

Keyboard

C Am Dm Dm/G C

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**REFRAIN**

**Biling.** Gus - ten y ve - an qué — bue - no es el Se - ñor.  
**English** Taste and see — the — good - ness of the Lord.  
**Spanish** Gus - ten y ve - an qué — bue - no es el Se - ñor.

C Am Dm G7

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C Am Dm Dm/G C

2-5	to Verses	Final	<i>Fine</i>
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Lord.  
Lord.  
ñor.

Lord.  
Lord.  
ñor.

2-5	to Verses	Final	<i>Fine</i>
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## ENGLISH VERSES

1. I will bless \_\_\_\_\_ the LORD at all times; \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. &amp; Glorify \_\_\_\_\_ the LORD with \_\_\_\_\_ me, \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Look to him \_\_\_\_\_ that you may be radiant, radiant with joy, \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. The \_\_\_\_\_ angel \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord is with \_\_\_\_\_ his people

F G Am Em

1. his \_\_\_\_\_ praise shall be \_\_\_\_\_ ev - er in my mouth.  
 2. &amp; let us ex - tol \_\_\_\_\_ his name.  
 3. and your fa - ces may not blush \_\_\_\_\_ with shame.  
 4. and de - liv - ers them \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ all their fears.

F Am G

1. Let my soul \_\_\_\_\_ glo - ry in the LORD;  
 2. I \_\_\_\_\_ sought \_\_\_\_\_ the LORD, and he an - swered me  
 3. When the poor \_\_\_\_\_ one called out, the \_\_\_\_\_ LORD \_\_\_\_\_ heard,  
 4. Taste and see the good - ness of the Lord;

F G Am Em

1. the \_\_\_\_\_ low - ly will hear me and be glad.  
 2. and de - liv - ered me from all my fears.  
 3. and from all his dis - tress \_\_\_\_\_ he saved him.  
 4. seek \_\_\_\_\_ ref - uge in him and be glad.

F Am G G7 D.S.

## SPANISH VERSES

1. Ben - di - go al Se - ñor en \_\_\_\_\_ to - do mo - men - to,  
 2. Pro - cla - men con - mi - go la gran - de - za del Se - ñor,  
 3. Con - tém - plen - lo y que - da - rán \_\_\_\_\_ ra - dian - tes,  
 4. El án - gel del Se - ñor pro - te - ge a sus \_\_\_\_\_ fie - les,

F G Am Em

1. su a - la - ban - za es - tá siem - pre en mi bo - ca;  
 2. ¶ en - sal - ce - mos jun - tos su nom - bre.  
 3. ¶ el ros - tro de us - te - des no se a - ver - gon - za - rá.  
 4. ¶ fe - li - ces los que es - pe - ran en el Se - ñor.

F Am G

1. ¶ mi al - ma se glo - rí - a en el Se - ñor:  
 2. Yo con - sul - té al Se - ñor y me res - pon - dí,  
 3. Si el a - fli - gi - do in - vo - ca al Se - ñor,  
 4. Gus - ten y ve - an qué bue - no es el Se - ñor;

F G Am Em

1. que los hu - mil - des lo es - cu - chen y se a - le - gren.  
 2. ¶ me li - bró de to - das mis an - sias.  
 3. ¶ él lo es - cu - cha y lo sal - va de sus an - gus - tias.  
 4. ¶ di - cho - so el que se a - co - ge a él.

F Am G G7 D.S.

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(Guitar/Vocal)

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Verse 4, Estela García-López and Rodolfo López

INTRO (♩ = ca. 100)

C Am Dm G7 C Am Dm Dm/G C

(Kbd)

## REFRAIN

Descant

**Biling.** Gus - ten y ve - an qué bue - no es el Se -  
**English** Taste and see the good - ness, the good-ness of the  
**Spanish** Gus - ten y ve - an qué bue - no es el Se -

C Am Dm G7

Melody

**Biling.** Gus - ten y ve - an qué bue - no es el Se - ñor.  
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ñor. Taste and see the good-ness of the Lord.  
 Lord. Taste and see the good-ness of the Lord.  
 ñor. Gus - ten y ve - an qué bue - no es el Se - ñor.

C Am Dm Dm/G C

Taste and see the good-ness of the Lord.  
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ENGLISH VERSES

F G Am Em

1. I will bless \_\_\_\_\_ the LORD at all \_\_\_\_\_ times; \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. † Glo - ri - fy \_\_\_\_\_ the LORD with \_\_\_\_\_ me, \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Look to him \_\_\_\_\_ that you may be ra - diant, ra - diant with joy, \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. The \_\_\_\_\_ an - gel \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord is with \_\_\_\_\_ his peo - ple

F Am G

1. his \_\_\_\_\_ praise shall be \_\_\_\_\_ ev - er in my mouth.  
 2. † let us ex - tol \_\_\_\_\_ his name.  
 3. and your fa - ces may not blush \_\_\_\_\_ with shame.  
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1. Let my soul \_\_\_\_\_ glo - ry in the LORD;  
 2. I \_\_\_\_\_ sought \_\_\_\_\_ the LORD, and he an - swered me  
 3. When the poor \_\_\_\_\_ one called out, the LORD \_\_\_\_\_ heard,  
 4. † Taste and see the good - ness of the Lord;

F Am G G7 D.S.

1. the \_\_\_\_\_ low - ly will hear me and be glad.  
 2. and de - liv - ered me from all my fears.  
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## SPANISH VERSES



1. Ben - di - go al Se - ñor en to - do mo - men - to,
2. Pro - cla - men con - mi - go la gran - de - za del Se - ñor;
3. Con - tém - plen - lo y que - da - rán ra - dian - tes,
4. El án - gel del Se - ñor pro - te - ge a sus fie - les,



1. su a - la - ban - za es - tá siem - pre en mi bo - ca;
2. ¶ en - sal - ce - mos jun - tos su nom - bre.
3. ¶ el ros - tro de us - te - des no se a - ver - gon - za - rá.
4. ¶ fe - li - ces los que es - pe - ran en el Se - ñor.



1. ¶ mi al - ma se glo - rí - a en el Se - ñor;
2. Yo con - sul - té al Se - ñor y me res - pon - dió,
3. Si el a - fli - gi - do in - vo - ca al Se - ñor,
4. Gus - ten y ve - an qué bie - no es el Se - ñor;



1. que los hu - mil - des lo es - cu - chen y se a - le - gren.
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# Salmo 33: Gusten y Vean/ Psalm 34: Taste and See

SOLO INSTRUMENT in C

Estela García-López and Rodolfo López

Arr. by Gregorio Reyes

**INTRO** (♩ = ca. 100) **REFRAIN**

8

1 2-5 to Verses Final Fine

**VERSES 1-4**

D.S.

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SOLO INSTRUMENT in B $\flat$ 

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**VERSES 1-4**

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## Assembly Edition

### SALMO 33: GUSTEN Y VEAN/PSALM 34: TASTE AND SEE

Estela García-López and Rodolfo López

Refrain



Biling. *Gus-ten* y ve - an qué *bue-no* es el Se - ñor.  
 English Taste and see the good-ness of the Lord.  
 Spanish *Gus-ten* y ve - an qué *bue-no* es el Se - ñor.



Taste and see the good-ness of the Lord.  
 Taste and see the good-ness of the Lord.  
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English Verses



1. I will bless the LORD at all times;  
 2. † Glo - ri - fy the LORD with me,  
 3. Look to him that you may be ra-diant, ra-diant with joy,  
 4. The an - gel of the Lord is with his peo-ple



1. his praise shall be ev - er in my mouth.  
 2. † let us ex - tol his name.  
 3. and your fa - ces may not blush with shame.  
 4. and de - liv - ers them from all their fears.



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 2. I sought the LORD, and he an - swered me  
 3. When the poor one called out, the LORD heard,  
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to Refrain



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### SALMO 33: GUSTEN Y VEAN/PSALM 34: TASTE AND SEE (cont.)

Spanish Verses



1. Ben - dí - go al Se - ñor en to - do mo - men - to,
2. Pro - cla - men con - mi - go la gran - de - za del Se - ñor,
3. Con - tém - plen - lo y que - da - rán ra - dian - tes,
4. El án - gel del Se - ñor pro - te - ge a sus fie - les,



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to Refrain

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Note: An assembly version with verses can be found on pp. 10–11.

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## Composer Notes

We've been working with bilingual children's choirs for years, and finding bilingual music geared to them can be a challenge. For this reason, we decided to set music to the popular Psalm 34, "taste and see the goodness of the Lord..." It can be used throughout the year for many special celebrations, not just as a Psalm but as a bilingual Communion song.

We've added a descant to this simple arrangement as a way to embellish the piece and create harmony as the song progresses. This is a wonderful way for children to start singing in harmony. The refrain text is very simple, making it easy for English choirs to start singing in Spanish. Perhaps initially, one can have cantors sing the verses, alternating languages, and with time, the entire choir can join in on the third and fourth verses. The simple solo instrument part in C or B-flat will be useful for young instrumentalists.

As a side note, for anyone working with Hispanic children, we find that even though they speak English perfectly, often times better than Spanish, their religious experience with their family has been almost exclusively in Spanish. They love singing Spanish songs like "Pescador de Hombres" (C. Gabaráin) and "Santa María del Camino" (J. A. Espinosa). They are connected to the music spiritually and emotionally. However, adding some English or bilingual songs to their existing Spanish repertoire is a good way for them to begin singing religious songs they understand more fully. This leads to a better understanding of the faith and becomes part of their formation.

**Uses:** Common Psalm for Ordinary Time, Weddings, First Communion, General Communion Song

We hope you find this piece useful and that it helps all generations feel God's presence as they come together in worship.

—Estela García-López & Rodolfo López

