

CW Psalm 51a

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Chant by James Turle (1802-1882)

Refrain: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your un - fail - ing love.

Wash away all my in- iq - ui - ty, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my trans - gres sions, and my sin is always be - fore me.

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Musical score for the first stanza of a hymn. The music is in common time, key signature is one flat. The vocal line consists of two staves: soprano (treble clef) and bass (bass clef). The lyrics are:

Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is e - vil in your sight.

Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother con - ceived me.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my in - iq - ui - ty.

Restore to me the joy of your sal - va - tion.

and grant me a willing spirit, to sus - tain me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

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