

253. INTROIT

adapted from *Dóminus fortitúdo plebis suae*
Chant, Mode II

R. The Lord is the strength of his peo - ple.

V. Psalm 28

T. 2

1. a The Lord is the strength of his peo - ple,
b* Save your people, O Lord, and bless your in - her - i - tance;

2. a I will cry unto you, O Lord;
b* If you remain si - lent,

1. a and the guardian of salvation for his a - noint - ed.
b* be their guide for ev - er.

2. a O my God, be not si - lent with me.
b* I will become like those going down in - to the grave.

* Alternate SATB setting: "b" part of versicles.

BMP

1b. Save your people, O Lord,
and bless your in - her - i - tance; _____ be their guide for ever.

2b. If you re - main silent, I will become like
those going down in - to the grave.

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The image shows a single line of musical notation on a five-line staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is not explicitly shown but appears to be common time. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics 'The Lord is the strength of his peo - ple.' are written below the staff, with hyphens under 'peo' and 'ple' indicating that the notes above them are shared between the two words. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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