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## MUSIC SHEET

4/4 time (pu = 0)  
 TEMPO: 126 BPM

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 dedicated to our God, 20 March 2014  
 Album: Amazing Psalms 'n' Promises

“O LORD, do not rebuke me in Your wrath, nor chasten me in Your hot displeasure! For Your arrows pierce me deeply, and Your hand presses me down. There is no soundness in my flesh because of Your anger, nor any health in my bones because of my sin. For my iniquities have gone over my head; Like a heavy burden they are too heavy for me. My wounds are foul and festering because of my foolishness.” - PSALM 38: 1-5 New KJV

**PART 1** (Osborne TExt-Based Notation (OTEN): \*R7 means play barre chord (R) across fret 7  
 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 +

<b>Fm</b>									
1a	Oh	—	LORD,	—	Do.....	—	not	re-	
2a	I	—	am	—	bowed	—	down	and	
3a	In	—	YOU	—	LORD,	—	I	have	
<i>melody</i>	vF	—	Ab	—	Bb	—	^Db	C	
<b>Fm</b>									
1b	buke	—	me	in	wrath	—	nor	chas-	
2b	my	—	sad	heart	groans.	—	My	strength	
3b	HOPE!	—	You	WILL	hear	—	me,	when	
<i>melody</i>	Bb	—	C	Bb	Ab	—	Bb	Ab	
<b>Fm</b>									
1c	ten	—	me	in	in	—	Your	ang-	
2c	fails	—	me.	Light	Light	—	has	gone	
3c	I	—	cry	out,	out,	—	con-	fess-	
<i>melody</i>	vF	—	^Db	C	C	—	C	Bb	
<b>Fm</b>			<b>F2</b>		<b>Eb</b>				
1d	er,	—	Your	ar-	rows	—	—	—	
2d	from	—	me,	for	I	—	—	—	
3d	ing,	—	“I	have	sinned!”	—	—	—	
<i>melody</i>	vAb	—	G	Ab	Bb	—	—	—	
<b>Fm</b>					<b>Eb</b>				
1e	pierce	—	me	—	deep-	—	ly	and	
2e	have	—	sinned	—	deep-	—	ly.	I'm	
3e	For	—	I	—	ang-	—	uish	ov-	
<i>melody</i>	vF	—	Ab	—	Bb	—	^C	Bb	

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1	+	2	+	3	+	4	+	1	+	2	+	3	+	4	+
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	<b>Fm</b>					<b>F2</b>									
1f	Your	—		hand.....		press-	—		es		me.....				
2f	so	—		much	al-	one	—		from		my.....				
3f	er	—		all	my	sins	—		I		have				
<i>melody</i>	vAb	—		Bb.....	Ab	G .....	—		Ab		Ab..	G			

	<b>Fm</b>					<b>Eb /G</b>									
1g	DOWN	—		—	—	Down	—		—		—				
2g	GOD.	—		—	—	Al.....	—	...	—		—				
3g	done	—		—	—	Ag-	—		ainst		—				
<i>melody</i>	vF	—		—	—	Eb	—		Eb		—				

<b>low</b>	<b>Fm</b>														
1h	down.	—		—	—	—	—		—		—				
2h	-one.	—		—	—	—	—		—		—				
3h	You.	—		—	—	—	—		—		—				
<i>melody</i>	vC														

<b>PART 2</b>															
1	+	2	+	3	+	4	+	1	+	2	+	3	+	4	+

	<b>Eb</b>					<b>Fm</b>									
1i	Psalm	—		Thir-	ty-	Eight,	—		—		Be-				
2i	Psalm	—		Thir-	ty-	Eight,	—		—		Al-				
3i	Psalm	—		Thir-	ty-	Eight,	—		—		Al-				
<i>melody</i>	^Bb	—		Bb	Bb	Ab	—		—		Ab				

	<b>Eb</b>					<b>Fm</b>									
1g	cause	—		I've	—	sinned,	—		—		my				
2g	though	—		I've	—	sinned,	—		—		I				
3g	though	—		I've	—	sinned,	—		—		God				
<i>melody</i>	^Bb	—		Bb	—	^C	—		—		C				

	<b>Eb</b>					<b>Fm</b>									
1h	flesh	—		is	—	sick,	—		be-		cause				
2h	CAN	—		find	—	HOPE	—		in		the				
3h	WON'T	—		for-	sake	me.	—		Make		haste,				
<i>melody</i>	vBb	—		Bb	Bb	Ab	—		Bb		Ab				

<b>PART 2 -- continued</b>																
	1	+	2	+	3	+	4	+	1	+	2	+	3	+	4	+
	<b>F2</b>								<b>Fm</b>							
1i	I've		—		been		fool-		ish,		—		LORD:		—	
2i	LORD		—		Who		hears		me.		—		LORD:		—	
3i	LORD:		—		my		salv-		a-		—		tion:		—	
<i>melody</i>	vG		—		Ab		G		F		—		Eb		—	
	<b>Fm</b>															
all-j	Don't		—		re-		buke		me,		—		—		I	
<i>melody</i>	^F		—		F		F		Eb		—		—		Eb	
	<b>Fm</b>															
all-k	plead.		—		—		—		—		—		—		—	
<i>melody</i>	vC		—		—		—		—		—		—		—	

**Song Story.** The familiar story: I just sat at the home studio and played. Literally, without calculating chords, I played counter-melodies on the orchestra instruments, and had to fix very very few. Then I went and added CLASH chord progressions in the piano track to reflect the angst of this psalm... of US when we sin.

I duplicated the first section after making it sound good, added a counterpart for a second section. **Then came the question: What lyrics?** I prayed, decided that I still have about 100 more psalms left with no music yet. I'd completed Psalm 30, 33, 34, 35, and 37. So I kept praying, flipped to that area of Bible. Listened to my music tracks, and quickly realized that this Psalm 38 easily fit the music. Once again: God's song

**Psalm 38**

**New Living Translation**

- 5 My wounds fester and stink because of my foolish sins.
- 6 I am bent over and racked with pain. All day long I walk around filled with grief.
- 7 A raging fever burns within me, and my health is broken.
- 8 I am exhausted and completely crushed.  
My groans come from an anguished heart.
- 9 You know what I long for, Lord; you hear my every sigh.
- 15 For I am waiting for you, O LORD. You must answer for me, O Lord my God.
- 16 I prayed, "Don't let my enemies gloat over me or rejoice at my downfall."
- 17 I am on the verge of collapse, facing constant pain.
- 18 But I confess my sins; I am deeply sorry for what I have done.
- 19 I have many aggressive enemies; they hate me without reason.
- 20 They repay me evil for good and oppose me for pursuing good.
- 21 Do not abandon me, O LORD. Do not stand at a distance, my God.

**22 Come quickly to help me, O Lord my SAVIOR.**