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in a time of political mendacity,
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I Will Now Arise

Psalm 12

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Capo 3: *A m* *C m* *C* *F* *C* *D m*
E b *A b* *E b* *F m*



Hear, O Lord, my prayer, for truth has dis - ap - peared; van - ished like — a
You, O Lord, you know they ben - e - fit — by boasts, flat - ter - y, — and
Speak, O Lord, I'll hear the — truth your word re - veals. Trust - ing, though ma -

6 *A m* *G sus* *G* *A m* *C*
C m *B b sus* *B b* *C m* *E b*

breath or like — a sigh. Here, O Lord, am I, a -
ru - mors, and — white lies. You, O Lord, you see: they —
li - cious mouths re - sound. Your word O Lord, is true. Your —

11 *F* *C* *D m* *A m* *G sus* *G*
A b *E b* *F m* *C m* *B b sus* *B b*

drift in floods of lies. Is — hon - es - ty — ex - tinct from hu - man - kind?
gain from their de - ceit and — mis - er - y — of those they trap like flies.
prom - is - es — are pure; a — ref - uge when no hon - es - ty — is found.

17 *A m* *C* *D* *A m* *F*
C m *E b* *F* *C m* *A b*

I will now a - rise and the poor will know my might. I still hear the

22 *C* *G sus* *G* *A m*
E b *B b sus* *B b* *C m*

need - y when they cry. I will now a - rise and the

27 *C* *D* *A m* */G* *F* *C* *G*
E b *F* *C m* */B b* *A b* *E b* *B b*

poor will know my might. I, the Lord, have heard the prayer you prayed in groans and

32 *C* *F* *C* *G* *E m* *A m*
E b *A b* *E b* *B b* *G m* *C m*

sighs. I, the Lord, have heard the prayer you prayed in groans and sighs.