BLOXHAM C.M.



Psalm 76 is thought to be a commentary on the defeat of Sennacherib's Assyrian hordes by the Israelites. This unattributed tune first appeared in Joseph Watts of Fennycompton's A Choice Collection of Church Music, 1749, as Psalm 105 OV, but in all subsequent 29 publications before 1820, was known as 'Bloxham'. This setting, to Watts's versification of Psalm 76, is taken from Aaron Williams's British Psalmody, c. 1785.

Four of Watts's ten verses have been used here. HTI 1948. © Shelwin Music, Oxford, August 2016.