

(From p. 35 in libretto)

## 2 Save the People

**JOHN THE BAPTIST:***(kneels reverently)*

I need to be baptized by you.

**JESUS:** No, no. Let it be so for the present. We do well now to conform with all that God requires.**Brightly** (♩ = 172)

**9** **JESUS:**  
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9 When wilt thou save the peo - ple? O God of mer - cy, when?—

13 Not Kings and Lords,— but na - tions, Not thrones and crowns, but—

17 men!— Flow'rs of— thy heart,— O God,— are they;—

23 Let them— not pass,— like weeds,— a - way,— Their

27 her - i - tage— a sun - less day.— God

32 save the peo - ple.—

**35** **Faster tempo** 4

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**39** JESUS:  
 39 When wilt thou save the peo - ple? O God of mer - cy, when?—

43 The peo - ple, Lord,— the peo - ple, Not thrones and

46 crowns, but— men!— God save— the peo - ple,

51 for thine— they are,— Thy chil - dren as— Thy an - gels—

55 — fair.— God save the peo - ple — from de - spair.—

**61** (JESUS)  
 God save the peo - ple.—

ALL:  
 60 O, God— save the peo - ple.

*rit. (last time)*  
 God save the peo - ple! —

*rit. (last time)*  
 65 O, God— save the peo - ple.