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Choral fantasy

for Choir and String Orchestra

A Meditation on
Psalm 139

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Adagio $\text{♩}=60$

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8

A

S.

A.

T.

B.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

8^{va}

pp — mf

pp — mp — p — mf

p — pp

pp — mf

pp — mp — p — mf

p — pp

pp — mf

pp — mp — p — mf

p — pp

pp — mf

15

B *poco più mosso*

S. - - - - -

A. - - - - - *pp*

T. - - - - - Oh

B. - - - - -

Vln. 1 *mf* *p* *mf* *p* -

Vln. 2 *mf* *p* *mf* *p* -

Vla. *mf* *p* *mf* *p* -

Vc. *mf* *p* *mf* *p* -

Cb. - - - - - *p* - *mf*

This musical score page contains ten staves. The top four staves (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) have no visible notes or rests. The bottom six staves (Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, and Bassoon) show musical notation. The Violin 1 staff features a melodic line with slurs and grace notes, with dynamics *mf*, *p*, *mf*, and *p*. The Violin 2 staff has a similar pattern. The Viola staff also shows a melodic line with slurs and grace notes, with dynamics *mf*, *p*, *mf*, and *p*. The Cello and Double Bass staves are mostly blank, with the Double Bass having a single note at the end of the measure. The Bassoon staff shows a melodic line with slurs and grace notes, with dynamics *p* and *mf*. A dynamic *pp* is placed above the Alto staff, and the word "Oh" is placed below the Tenor staff. Measure numbers 15 and 16 are indicated above the staves.

21

S. *p* ————— *mf* ————— *p*

A. *cresc.* *mf* *dim.*

T. *pp* *cresc.* *mf* *dim.*

B. *mp* ————— *mf* ————— *p*

Vln. 1 *p* ————— *mf* ————— *mp* *f* ————— *mp* ————— *mp*

Vln. 2 *f* ————— *mp* ————— *mf*

Vla. *p* ————— *f* ————— *mp*

Vc. *p* ————— *mf* ————— *mp* *f* ————— *mp*

Cb. *f* ————— *mp*

28

C

S. *p* —

You have

A. *pp* *p* — *mp* — *p* —

You have searched me and you know me You have
Lord —

T. *pp* *p* — *mp* — *p* —

— Oh Lord You have searched me and you know me You have

B. *p* — — — —

Vln. 1 *p* — *pp* — *mf* — *mp* — *mf* —

Vln. 2 *mp* — *mf* — *p* — *mf* —

Vla. *mf* — *mp* — *mf* — *mp* — *mf* —

Vc. *mf* — *mp* —

Cb. *mf* — *mp* —

33

S. *f* *p* *mp* *p*

A. *f* *p* *mp* *p*

T. *f* *p* *mp* *p*

B. *f* *p* *mp* *p*

searched me and you know _____ When I sit and when I rise _____ You per
searched me and you know _____ When I sit and when I rise _____ You per
searched me and you know _____ When I sit and when I rise _____
know _____ When I sit and when I rise _____

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

f *p* *mp* *mf* *p*

f *p* *mp* *mf* *p*

f *ff* *p* *mp* *mf* *p*

f *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *p*

f *p* *mp* *mf* *p* *mp*

38 *poco più mosso*

S. **D**

A.

T.

B.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Dynamic markings and performance instructions:

- Soprano (S.)**: *mf*, *poco più mosso*, *p*, *pp*. Boxed letter **D**.
- Alto (A.)**: *mf*, *p*, *pp*. Text: "ceive my thoughts Oh Lord Oh Lord Oh Lord Oh Lord".
- Tenor (T.)**: *p*, *pp*. Text: "Oh Lord Oh Lord Oh Lord Oh Lord".
- Bass (B.)**: Rests throughout.
- Violin 1 (Vln. 1)**: *f*, *mf*, *f > mp*, *mp*, *mf*, *mp*, *p*.
- Violin 2 (Vln. 2)**: *f*, *mp*, *mf = p*, *mp*, *p*.
- Cello (Vla.)**: *f*, *mp*, *mp*, *mf mp*, *p*.
- Double Bass (Vc.)**: *f*, *mp*, *mp*, *p*.
- Double Bass (Cb.)**: *f*.

44

S. Where can I go Where can I go from your go

A. Where can I go from your

T.

B.

Vln. 1 *mf* *pp* *p*

Vln. 2 *mf* *p* *mp*

Vla. *mf* *p* *mp*

Vc. *mf* *p*

Cb.

This musical score page contains two systems of music. The top system features four vocal parts: Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). The vocal parts sing a melody with lyrics: "Where can I go Where can I go from your go". The vocal parts are mostly silent at the beginning of the measure, then enter with eighth-note patterns. The vocal parts are written in treble clef. The bottom system features five instrumental parts: Violin 1 (Vln. 1), Violin 2 (Vln. 2), Viola (Vla.), Cello (Vc.), and Double Bass (Cb.). The instruments play eighth-note patterns. The instruments are written in various clefs (treble, bass, and alto). Dynamics are indicated by slurs and text labels like *mf*, *pp*, *p*, and *mp*. Measure lines divide the music into measures. The page number 9 is in the top right corner.

48 *mp* ————— *p* ————— *mf*

S. Spi - rit from your Spi - rit Where can I flee from your

A. Spi - rit from your Spi - rit Where can I flee from your

T. ————— *p* ————— *mf*

B. ————— *mf*

Where can I flee from your

Vln. 1 *pp* ————— *mp*

Vln. 2 *pp* ————— *mp*

Vla. ————— *p* ————— *mp*

Vc. ————— *mf*

Cb. —————

51

S. *mp* — *p* — *mf*
 presence If I go up to the hea - vens you are there
 pre - sence If I go up to the hea - vens you are there
 pre - sence If I go up to the hea - vens you are there
 pre - sence If I go up to the hea - vens you are there

A. *mp* — *p* — *mf*
 presence If I go up to the hea - vens you are there

T. *mp* — *p* — *mf*
 presence If I go up to the hea - vens you are there

B. *mp* — *p* — *mf*
 presence If I go up to the hea - vens you are there

Vln. 1 *p* — *f*
 Vln. 2 *p* — *f*
 Vla. *p* — *f*
 Vc. *p* — *f*
 Cb. — *f*

poco rit.

f

mp

E **Tempo I°**

S. 55

you are there

A.

you are there

T.

you are there

B.

you are there

Vln. 1

mf

f

Vln. 2

mf

f

Vla.

mf

f

Vc.

mf

f

Cb.

mf

f

59

S.

A.

T. *p*
you are there

B. *mp* *mf* *p*
If I make my bed in the depths you are there

Vln. 1 *mp*

Vln. 2 *p* *mf*

Vla. *p* *mf*

Vc. *p* *mf*

Cb. *p* *mf* *f*

F

S. *p* — *mp* — *pp*

If I rise on the wings of the dawn if I set - tle on the far_ side_

A. *pp*

if I set - tle on the far_ side

T.

B.

Vln. 1 *f* *mp* — *pp*

Vln. 2 *f* *mp* — *pp*

Vla. *f* *mp* — *pp*

Vc. *f* *mp* — *pp*

Cb.

S. 69 ***mp*** ***pp*** ***p***
— of the sea e - ven there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast

A. ***mp*** ***pp*** ***p***
of the sea e - ven there your hand will guide me your right hand will hold me fast

T.

B.

Vln. 1 ***p*** ***pp*** ***p***

Vln. 2 ***p*** ***pp*** ***p***

Vla. ***p*** ***pp*** ***p***

Vc.

Cb.

G**H**

74

S.

A.

T. 8

B.

Vln. 1

mp — **p**

Vln. 2

mp — **p** — *mp* — **p** — *mf* — *mp* —

Vla.

mp — **p** — *mp* — **p** — *mf* — *mp* —

Vc.

— **p** — *mf* — *mp* —

Cb.

This musical score page contains ten staves of music for orchestra. The staves are labeled from top to bottom: Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), Bass (B.), Violin 1 (Vln. 1), Violin 2 (Vln. 2), Viola (Vla.), Cello (Vc.), and Double Bass (Cb.). The music is divided into two sections, G and H, indicated by large square brackets above the staff lines. In section G, most instruments play sustained notes. In section H, the instruments play more complex patterns. Dynamics include *mp*, **p**, *mf*, and **mf**. Performance markings like '3' and '2' are also present.

80 17
 S. - - - - - - -
 my mo ther's
 A. - - - - - - -
 to - geth-er in my moth -er's
 T. *p* ————— *mp* ————— *p* ————— *mf* ————— *p*
pp ————— *p* —————
 For you cre a ted my in most be ing. You knit me to ge ther in my mo ther's
 B. - - - - - - -
 Vln. 1 *p* ————— *pp* —————
pp ————— *mp*
 Vln. 2 *pp* ————— *mp*
 Vla. *pp* ————— *mp*
 Vc. *pp* ————— *mp*
 Cb. - - - - - - -

87 *mf* accel. poco a poco *mp* ————— *f* *ff*

S. womb I praise you I praise

A. womb I praise you I praise

T. womb I praise you I praise

B. praise you I praise

Vln. 1 *mf* ————— *f* ————— *ff*

Vln. 2 *mf* ————— *f* ————— *ff*

Vla. *mf* ————— *f* ————— *ff*

Vc. *mf* ————— *f* ————— *ff*

Cb. ————— *f* ————— *ff*

S. *suddenly faster ($\text{♩}=116$)*
accel. **I** *mp* **f** *fff* **19**
 you! _____ I praise
A. *mp* **f** *fff*
 you! _____ I praise
T. *mp* **f** *fff*
 you! _____ I praise
B. *mp* **f** *fff*
 you! _____ I praise
 (8) **Vln. 1** *mp* **fff**
Vln. 2 *mp* **fff**
Vla. *mp* **fff**
Vc. *mp* **fff**
Cb. *mp* **fff**

This musical score page features five vocal parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass, Cello) and four string parts (Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, Cello). The vocal parts sing 'you!' followed by 'I praise' on a single note. The strings play eighth-note patterns with dynamic markings: 'mp' followed by 'fff'. The vocal parts have dynamics 'mp' followed by 'f' and 'fff'. The tempo changes from 78 to 116 BPM at measure 92, indicated by a bracket labeled 'I suddenly faster ($\text{♩}=116$)' and 'accel.'. The violins play sixteenth-note patterns. The bassoon part has a prominent bass line. The page number '19' is in the top right corner.

rit. poco a poco

S. ***ff*** ***f*** ***rall.*** ***a tempo (♩=65)***

you for I am fear - ful - ly and won - der - ful - ly made

A. ***ff*** ***f*** ***ff***

you for I am fear - ful - ly and won - der - ful - ly made

T. ***ff*** ***f*** ***ff***

you for I am fear - ful - ly and won - der - ful - ly made **#**

B. ***ff*** ***f*** ***ff***

you for I am fear - ful - ly and won - der - ful - ly made

(8) ***f*** ***ff*** ***f***

Vln. 1 ***f*** ***ff*** ***f***

Vln. 2 ***f*** ***ff*** ***f***

Vla. ***f*** ***ff*** ***f***

Vc. ***f*** ***ff*** ***f***

Cb. ***f*** ***ff*** ***f*** ***mp***

rall.

J **Tempo I°**

S. *mp*

A. *mp* *mp* *p* *mp* Your works are won der ful I know that

T. *mp*

B. *mp*

Vln. 1 (8) *mp* *p* *p*

Vln. 2 *mp* *p* *p*

Vla. *mp* *p* *p*

Vc. *mp* *p* *p*

Cb.

106

S.

A. *p* *mp* *pp*
— full well — and know my

T. *mp* *pp* *p* *pp* *pp* *pp*
full well Search me oh God and know my

B. *mp*
well

Vln. 1 *pp* *p* *pp*

Vln. 2 *pp* *p* *pp*

Vla. *pp* *p* *pp*

Vc. *pp* *p* *pp*

Cb.

pp

23

suddenly faster ($\text{♩}=100$) accel.

$\text{♩}=65$

S. 114 *test me and know_____ my anxious thoughts_____*

A. *heart_____ test me and know_____*

T. *heart_____ test me and know_____*

B. *test me and know_____*

Vln. 1 *p mp mf f mp*

Vln. 2 *p mp mf f mp*

Vla. *p mp mf f mp*

Vc. *p mp mf f*

Cb. *p mp mf f*

K Faster ($\text{♩}=110$)

122 ***pp***

S.

A.

T.

B.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Detailed description: This is a page from a musical score. It features ten staves, each with a different instrument name above it. The instruments are: Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), Bass (B.), Violin 1 (Vln. 1), Violin 2 (Vln. 2), Viola (Vla.), Cello (Vc.), and Double Bass (Cb.). The music is in common time. Measure 1 starts with a dynamic of ***pp*** and a tempo of 122 BPM. The first four measures (measures 1-4) consist of sustained notes or rests. Measures 5-8 begin with a dynamic of ***p***, followed by ***mp***, ***mf***, and ***mp***. Measures 9-12 start with ***mp***, followed by ***mf***, ***mp***, and ***mf***. The score includes performance instructions such as 'Faster' and tempo changes indicated by a box labeled 'K' with ' $\text{♩}=110$ '. The violins play eighth-note patterns with grace notes and slurs, while the other instruments provide harmonic support with sustained notes or simple patterns.

L Slower ($\text{♩}=55$)

128

S.

A.

T. $\frac{8}{8}$

B.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

p See if there is a - ny Of

p See if there is a - ny Of

mp

p

mp

p

mp

p

mp

p

mp

p

mp

p

132

S. *p* ————— *mf* *poco più mosso*
and lead me in the way

A. *p* ————— *mf*
and lead me in the way

T. *pp* ————— *p* ————— *pp* *p* ————— *mf*
8 fen sive way in me and lead me in the way

B. *pp* ————— *p* ————— *pp* *p* ————— *mf*
fen sive way in me and lead me in the way

Vln. 1 *pp* *mp* *mf*
Vln. 2 *pp* *mp* *mf* ————— *mp*
Vla. *pp* *mp* *mf* ————— *p*
Vc. ————— *mf* —————
Cb. ————— *mf* ————— *p*

139 *p* — *mp* — *ppp*

S. e ver la_____ sting

A. *p* — *mp* — *ppp*

T. *p* — *mp* — *ppp*

B. *p* — *mp* — *ppp*

e ver la_____ sting

Vln. 1 *p*

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc. *p*

Cb.

p — *mp* — *p*

p — *mp* —

p — *mp* — *p* — *mp* —

p — *mp* — *p* — *mp* —

