

Lenten Meditation

For S.A.T.B. Voices with Keyboard Accompaniment

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Andante (♩ = ca. 84) *mp* S.A. (unis. or solo)

Je - sus Christ, my

Keyboard

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Sav - ior lived for me, and died,

⑩ (end solo)

source of my sal - va - tion, yet was cru - ci - fied.

mp T.B. (unis. or solo)

Peace that knows no meas - ure: This by faith I see.

(15)

Love that knows no ending; Jesus died for me. (end solo)

(20)

div. *mf* Lord, we re - new

Lord, O Lord, we re - new our com - mit - ment these for - ty

div. *mf* Lord, we re - new

Lord, by your grace

nights and days. And Lord, O Lord, by your grace help us

Lord, by your grace

25

change our sin - ful ways.

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Detailed description: This system contains the first three measures of the piece. It features a vocal line in the upper staff and a piano accompaniment in the lower two staves. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics 'change our sin - ful ways.' are written under the vocal line. A large, semi-transparent watermark for 'HOPE Publishing Company Since 1892' is overlaid across the center of the page.

mp

Hear me now, Lord Je - sus: I will nev - er

30

Detailed description: This system contains measures 4 through 6. The vocal line continues with the lyrics 'Hear me now, Lord Je - sus: I will nev - er'. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand. A dynamic marking of *mp* (mezzo-piano) is placed above the first measure. A circled measure number '30' is located above the final measure of this system. The watermark continues across the page.

stray. I will nev - er wan - der.

Detailed description: This system contains measures 7 through 9. The vocal line concludes with the lyrics 'stray. I will nev - er wan - der.' The piano accompaniment continues with the same eighth-note pattern. The watermark is still visible across the page.

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Hear me, as I pray: Free me now from...

dark - ness. Cleanse me now from sin.

40

Par - don my trans - ges - sions. Make me pure with-

Lord, we re - new ⁽⁴⁵⁾

in. Lord, O Lord we re - new our com -

Lord, we re - new

mf

Lord, by your

mit - ment these for - ty nights and days. And Lord, O Lord

Lord, by your

grace ⁽⁵⁰⁾

by your grace help us change our sin - ful ways.

grace

mp (55)

men. A

mp

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men. A

cresc.

mp

decresc. (60) *rit.* *pp*

men.

decresc. *pp*

decresc. *rit.* *pp*

8vb

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