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for mixed choir a cappella

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## curtain

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Misterioso e sostenuto (♩ = 96)

Musical score for Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B) parts, measures 1-5. The score is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The tempo is *Misterioso e sostenuto* (♩ = 96). The lyrics are: S: rope The rope; A: The rope The rope came; T: rope; B: The rope. Dynamics include *pp* (pianissimo) and *ppp* (pianississimo). A large blue watermark "Preview File Only" is overlaid on the score.

Musical score for Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B) parts, measures 6-9. The score is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The tempo is *Misterioso e sostenuto* (♩ = 96). The lyrics are: S: down The; A: down down rope The; T: The rope The; B: came down The. Dynamics include *pp* (pianissimo) and *ppp* (pianississimo).



25

n n n n n

*pp legg.*

*p* And the cur - - tain The cur - -

*pp legg.*

*p* And the cur - - tain The cur - -

*accel.*

30

*p* up up up up

*pp* *cresc.* up up up up

*cresc.* tain went up up up

*cresc.* tain went up up up

35

*a tempo subito*  
*senza, espress.*  
*pp sub.*

*senza, espress.*  
*pp sub.*

we have all wait - ed so long for this mo - ment

*senza, espress.*  
*pp sub.*

we have all wait - ed so long for this mo - ment

*senza, espress.*  
*pp sub.*

We have all wait - ed so long for this mo - ment

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# song (1996)

♩ = 96

S  
A  
T  
B

*f* loud whisper  
*stacc.*

*sim.*

There sits a man

There sits a man

5

*pp legg.*

*pp legg.*

*pp* *f*

There sits a man There

There sits a man There

man There sits a man There sits a man a man sits

There sits a man There sits a man a man

whisper (medium register)

whisper (high register)

sits a man      There sits a man      There sits a man      There sits a man      There

sits a man      There sits a man      There sits a man      There sits a man      There

*pp*      *f*      *pp*      *f*>      *pp*      *f*      *pp*      *f*>

a man      a man sits      a man      a man sits

a man      a man      a man      a

sits a man      There sits a man      There sits a man

sits a man      There sits a man      There sits a man

*pp*      *f*      *pp*      *f*>      *pp*

a man      There sits a man      a man sits      a man

man      There sits a man      a man      a man sits

There sits a man      There sits a man      There sits a man

There sits a man      There sits a man      There sits a man

*f*>      *pp*      *f*

a man sits      a man      There sits a man

a man      a man sits      There sits a man

21 *pp* *poco* *f* *p* *mp*

There sits a man There sits a man There sits a man in the nar-row

There sits a man There sits a man There sits a man in the nar-row

8 There sits a man There sits a man in the

There sits a man There sits a man in the

25 *legg.* *cresc.*

cir (ir) (ir)

cir (ir) (ir)

8 in the nar-row in the nar-row in the nar-row in the nar-row

in the nar-row in the nar-row in the nar-row in the nar-row

29 *dim.* *mp*

- cle of

*dim.* *mp*

- cle of

8 cir (ir) (ir) - cle

cir (ir) (ir) - cle



34

thi n - ness

thi n - ness

of thi n - ness

of thi n - ness

40

He is con - tent He has no ear

He is con - tent He has no ear

He is con - tent He has no ear

He is con - tent He has no ear

45

His eyes are mis - sing of

His eyes are mis - sing of

His eyes are mis - sing He has no ear His eyes

His eyes are mis - sing He has no ear His eyes

50

the red sound of the sun's globe He  
 the red sound of the sun's globe He  
 are mis - sing He has no ear His eyes are mis - sing  
 are mis - sing He has no ear His eyes are mis - sing

56

*poco cresc.*  
 has no ear His eyes are mis - sing of the red sound  
*poco cresc.*  
 has no ear His eyes are mis - sing of the red sound  
 of the red sound of the  
 of the red sound of the sun's

60

*f*  
 of the sun's globe He can He can He can He can He  
*f*  
 of the sun's globe He can He can He can He can He  
*f*  
 sun's globe He can He can He He can He can  
*f*  
 globe He can He can He He can He can

# exit (1999)

Energico e ritmico (♩ = 112)

(3+2) *ff* *ff p sub.* *p cresc.*

S You \_\_\_\_\_ You \_\_\_\_\_ clapped \_\_\_\_\_

A *ff* *ff p sub.* *p cresc.*  
You \_\_\_\_\_ You \_\_\_\_\_ clapped \_\_\_\_\_

T *ff* *ff p sub.* *p cresc.*  
You \_\_\_\_\_ You \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_

B *ff* *ff p sub.* *p cresc.*  
You \_\_\_\_\_ You \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_

7 *mf* *f* *short ff* *(3+2) ff*

clapped \_\_\_\_\_ clapped your clapped your hands You \_\_\_\_\_

clapped clapped your clapped your hands You \_\_\_\_\_

your \_\_\_\_\_ clapped your clapped your hands You \_\_\_\_\_

your clapped your clapped your hands You

13 *ff p sub.* *p cresc.* *mf*

You \_\_\_\_\_ clapped \_\_\_\_\_ clapped \_\_\_\_\_

*ff p sub.* *p cresc.* *mf*

You \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_

*ff p sub.* *mp cresc.* *mf*

You \_\_\_\_\_ clapped \_\_\_\_\_ clapped \_\_\_\_\_

*ff p sub.* *mp cresc.* *mf*

You \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_

19 *f* *short* *ff* *(3+2)* *p*

clapped your clapped your hands Don't Don't Don't

clapped your clapped your hands Don't Don't Don't

clapped your clapped your hands Don't Don't Don't

clapped your clapped your hands Don't Don't Don't

24 *cresc.*

Don't Don't Don't Don't Don't

Don't Don't Don't Don't Don't

Don't Don't Don't Don't Don't

Don't Don't Don't Don't Don't

29

*molto* *ff* *ff* (3+2)

bend your head to-ward your joy You

bend your head to-ward your joy You

bend your head to-ward your joy You

bend your head to-ward your joy You

33

*ff p sub.* *p cresc.* *mf*

You clapped clapped

*ff p sub.* *p cresc.* *mf*

You clapped clapped

*ff p sub.* *p cresc.* *mf*

You your your

*ff p sub.* *p cresc.* *mf*

You your your

39

*f* *ff* (3+2) *p*

clapped your clapped your clapped your hands Don't Don't

*f* *ff* *p*

clapped your clapped your clapped your hands Don't Don't

*f* *ff* *p*

clapped your clapped your clapped your hands Don't Don't

*f* *ff* *p*

clapped your clapped your clapped your hands Don't Don't

43 *cresc.* *molto* *ff*

Don't Don't bend your head to-ward your joy

*cresc.* *molto* *ff*

Don't Don't bend your head to-ward your joy

*cresc.* *molto* *ff*

8 Don't Don't bend your head to-ward your joy

*cresc.* *molto* *ff*

Don't Don't bend your head to-ward your joy

47 *ff* *ff p sub.*

Ne - ver Ne - ver

*ff* *ff p sub.*

- ver - ver

*ff* *ff p sub.*

Ne - ver Ne - ver

*ff* *ff p sub.*

- ver - ver

51 *molto* *ff* (3+2)

bend your head to-ward your joy

*molto* *ff*

bend your head to-ward your joy

*molto* *ff*

8 bend your head to-ward your joy

*molto* *ff* half-voiced *p*

bend your head to-ward your joy And now he cuts

55

half-voiced *p*

8 And now he cuts And now he cuts And

And now he cuts And

60

half-voiced *p*

8 And now he cuts And

And now he cuts And

*p* now he cuts And now he cuts a - gain And

*p* now he cuts And now he cuts a - gain And

65

(2+3) (3+2)

now he cuts a - gain with the knife

now he cuts a - gain with the knife A - gain he cuts

8 now he cuts a - gain with the knife A -

now he cuts a - gain with the knife A -

70 *p* - - - - - ord. (2+3)

A - gain he cuts A - gain he cuts through with the knife

gain he cuts through A - gain he cuts through with the knife

gain he cuts through A - gain he cuts through with the knife

gain he cuts through A - gain he cuts through with the knife

74 *f*

with the knife And the thun - der the thun - der

with the knife And the thun - der the thun - der

with the knife And the thun - der the thun - der

with the knife And the thun - der the thun - der

78 *ff* (2+3)

rolls in the sky rolls

rolls in the sky rolls

rolls in the sky rolls

rolls in the sky rolls