

Because

for unaccompanied SATB

Text: Elizabeth Barrett Browning (Sonnet XXXIX From The Portuguese)

Music: Mark Zuckerman

With Ardor and Humility (♩ = 48) *mp* *cresc.*

S *mf* thou hast the pow - - - er and own'st the

A *mf* Be - cause thou hast the pow - - - er and own'st the

T *mf* thou hast the pow - - - er and own'st the

B *mf* Be - cause thou hast the pow - - - er and own'st the

4 *mf* grace To look and be - hind this mask of me

A *mf* grace To look through be - hind this mask of me

T *mf* grace To look through be - hind this mask of me

B *mf* grace To look and be - hind this mask of me

7 *p* (A - gainst which years A - gainst which years have beat thus *cresc.*)

A *p* (A - gainst which years A - gainst which years have beat thus *cresc.*)

T *pp* (A - gainst which years A - gainst which years have beat thus *cresc.*)

B *pp* (A - gainst which years A - gainst which years have beat thus *cresc.*)

10 *f* *mf* *dim.* *mp*

S blanch - ing - ly With their rains), With their rains), and be -

A blanch - ing - ly With their rains), and be -

T blanch - ing - ly With their rains), and be -

B blanch - ing - ly With their rains), and be -

13 *p* *mp* *mf*

S hold my soul's true face, The dim and wea - ry wit - ness

A hold my soul's true face, Oo

T hold my soul's true face, Oo

B hold my soul's true face, Oo

17 *dim.* *poco rit.* *a tempo* *mp* *cresc.*

S of life's race,— the faith

A Oo Oo Be - cause thou hast the faith

T Oo Oo Oo

B Oo Oo Be - cause thou hast the faith

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S and love
A the faith and love
T the faith and love
B the faith and love

mf *cresc.* *f*

23

S to see, Through that same soul's dis - tract - ing le - thar-gy,
A to see, Through that same soul's dis - tract - ing le - thar-gy,
T to see, Through that same soul's dis - tract - ing le - thar-gy, The
B to see, Through that same soul's dis - tract - ing le - thar-gy,

sub mf *p* *mf*

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S Ah Ah Ah
A Ah Ah Ah
T pa - tient an - gel wait - - - ing for a place In the new
B

pp *p* *espr.*

29 *mf* *mp cresc.* *f* *ff*

S *mf* *mp cresc.* *f* *ff*
Ah Ah

A *mf* *mp cresc.* *f* *ff*
Ah Ah

T *f* *mp cresc.* *f* *ff*
Hea - vens, - Ah Ah

B *mp cresc.* *f* *ff*
Ah Ah

33 *p* *mf* *p*

S *p*
be - cause

A *p* *mf*
be - cause nor woe, Nor

T *p*
be - cause

B *mf*
be - cause nor sin nor woe, Nor

35 *poco stringendo* *sub p* *mf* *p cresc.* *f*

S *sub p* *mf* *p cresc.* *f*
God's in - flic - tion, nor death's neigh - - - bour - hood, Nor all

A *sub p* *mf* *p cresc.* *f*
God's in - flic - tion, death's neigh - - - bour - hood, Nor all

T *sub p* *mf* *p cresc.* *f*
God's in - flic - tion, nor death's neigh - - - bour - hood, Nor all

B *sub p* *mf* *p cresc.* *f*
God's in - flic - tion, death's neigh - - - bour - hood, Nor all

a tempo

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S which o - thers view - ing, turn to go, Nor all

A which o - thers view - ing, turn to go, Nor all

T Oo turn to go, be - cause Nor all

B Oo turn to go, be - cause Nor all

p *pp* *p* *pp* *p* *pp* *pp* *p* *pp* *pp*

40

S which makes me tired of all,

A which makes me tired of all,

T which makes me tired of all,

B me tired of all,

mp cresc. *f cresc.* *ff* *mp cresc.* *f cresc.* *ff* *mp cresc.* *f cresc.* *ff* *mf cresc.* *ff*

43

S self - viewed, — No - thing re - pels

A self - viewed, — No - thing

T self - viewed, — No - thing

B self - viewed, — No - thing

dim. *f* *sub mf* *dim.* *p* *dim.* *f* *sub mf* *dim.* *pp* *dim.* *f* *sub mf* *dim.* *pp* *dim.* *f* *sub mf* *dim.* *pp*

46 *poco rit.* *a tempo*
mp

S thee,... No-thing re - pels thee,... Dear - est, teach me so

A No - thing No - thing No - thing Dear - est,

T No - thing No - thing Dear - est, teach me so

B *p* No - thing re - pels thee,... *pp* No - thing *p* Dear - est,

50 *poco stringendo* *a tempo* *poco rit.*
mf *f* *mf* *dim.*

S Dear-est, teach me so Dear - est, Dear - est, teach me so

A Dear - est, Dear - est, Dear - est, teach me so

T Dear-est, teach me so Dear - est, Dear - est, teach me so

B Dear - est, Dearest, Dear - est, teach me so

53 *poco meno mosso*
mp *f* *sub p*

S To pour out grat - i - tude, as thou dost, good!

A To pour out grat - i - tude, as thou dost, good!

T To pour out grat - i - tude, as thou dost, good!

B To pour out grat - i - tude, as thou dost, good!