

HOLY DARKNESS

Inspired by St. John of the Cross

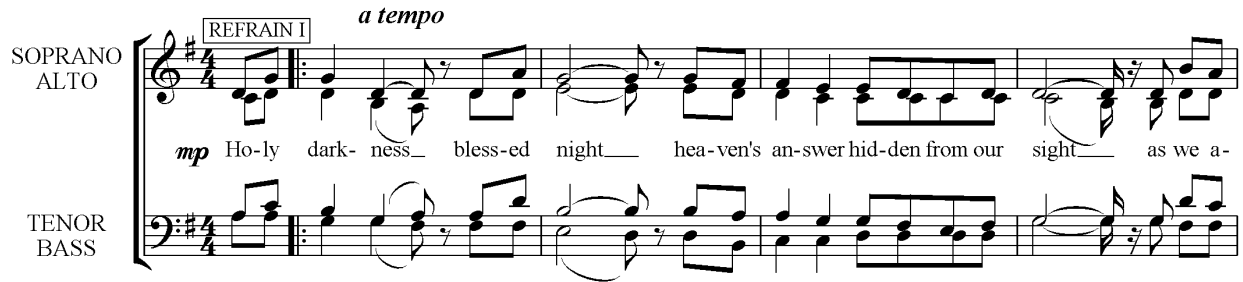
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REFRAIN I *a tempo*

SOPRANO ALTO

mp Ho-ly dark- ness_ bless-ed night_ hea-ven's an-swer hid-den from our sight_ as we a-

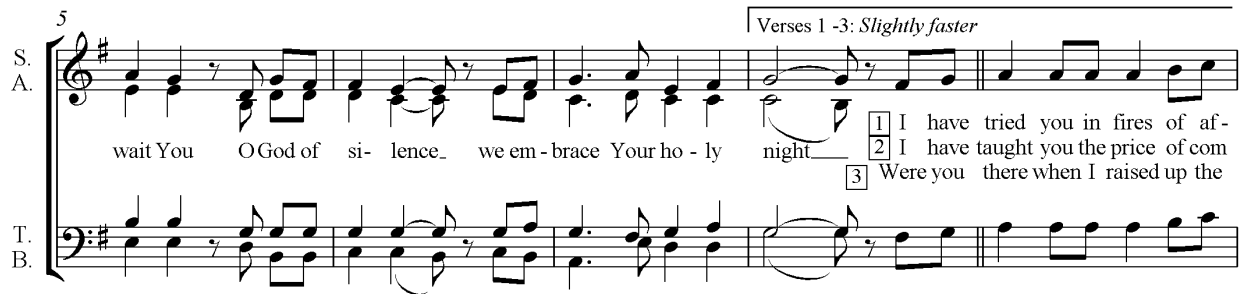
TENOR BASS



5 **Verses 1 -3: Slightly faster**

S. A. wait You O God of si- lence_ we em- brace Your ho- ly night_
 1 I have tried you in fires of af-
 2 I have taught you the price of com
 3 Were you there when I raised up the

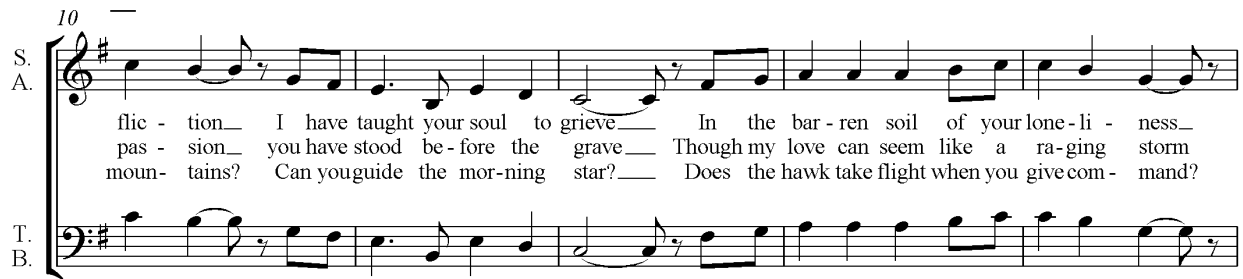
T. B.



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S. A. flic- tion_ I have taught your soul to grieve_ In the bar- ren soil of your lone- li- ness_
 pas- sion_ you have stood be- fore the grave_ Though my love can seem like a ra- ging storm
 moun- tains? Can you guide the mor- ning star?_ Does the hawk take flight when you give com- mand?

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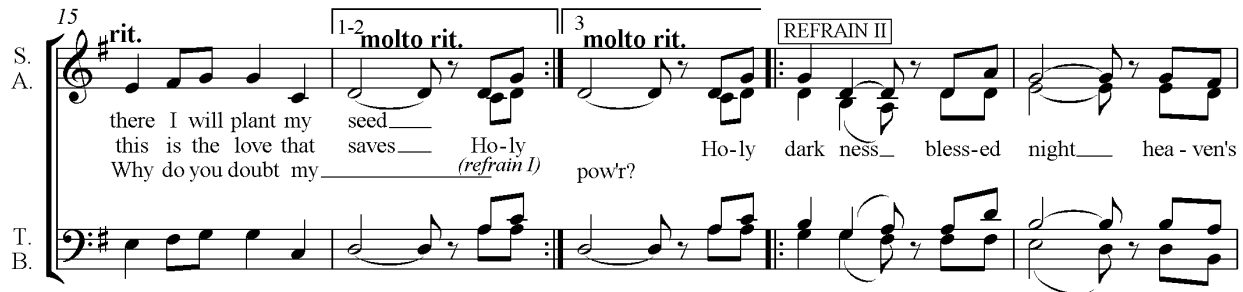


15 *rit.* **REFRAIN II**

S. A. there I will plant my seed_
 this is the love that saves_ Ho-ly
 Why do you doubt my (refrain 1) pow'r? Ho-ly dark ness_ bless-ed night_ hea- ven's

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1-2 *molto rit.* 3 *molto rit.*



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S. A. an - swer hid - den from our sight as we a - wait You O God of si - lence we em - brace Your ho - ly

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Verses 4-5: *Faster with more energy*

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25 4 In your deep - est hour of dark - ness I will give you wealth un - told When the
5 As the watch - man waits for mor - ning and the bride a - waits her groom So we

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30 si - lence stills your spi - rit wait to hear Your foot steps. *mp rit. molto rit.* FINAL REFRAIN

S. A. When the si - lence stills your spi - rit will my ri - ches fill your soul. (refrain II) Ho - ly dark ness - bless - ed
 So we way to hear Your foot steps as we rest be - neath Your moon. (final refrain)

T. B.

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S. A. night hea - ven's an - swer hid - den from our sight as we a -

T. B.

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S.
A.

T.
B.

wait You O God of si - lence we em - brace Your ho - ly night

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