

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

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Words from Habakkuk 2:20

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Adagio ♩=54
pp dolce

SOPRANO
Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si -

ALTO
Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si -

TENOR
pp dolce *mp*
Let all mor-tal flesh, Let all mor-tal flesh keep

BASS
pp dolce
Let all mor-tal flesh,

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S.
lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si -

A.
lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si -

T.
si - lence, And with fear and trem - bling stand; Pon-der no-thing

B.
Let all mor-tal flesh, keep si -

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S. lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si -

A. lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, Keep si -

T. 8 earth - ly min - ded, For with bles - sing in his hand,

B. - lence, keep si - lence.

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S. *mp* oo oo *mf* King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, As of old on

A. *mp* oo oo *mf* King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, As of old on

T. *mp* *mf* Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, As of old on

B. *mp* *mf* Keep si - lence, Keep si - lence, King of kings, yet born of

23 *cresc.*

S. earth He stood, Lord of Lords, in hu- man ves - ture, In the bo-dy and the_ blood,

A. earth He stood, Lord of Lords, in hu- man ves - ture, In the bo-dy and the_ blood,

T. earth He stood, Lord of Lords, in hu- man ves - ture, In the bo-dy and the_ blood,

B. Ma-ry, As of old on earth He stood, Lord of Lords, in hu - man ves ture, In the bo-dy

cresc.

27 *f*

S. He will give to all the faith - ful His own self for heaven - ly_

A. He will give to all the faith - ful His own self for heaven - ly_

T. He will give to all_ the faith - ful His own self for heaven - ly_

B. and the_ blood, He will give to all the faith - ful

Tempo

34 *f*

S. Rank on rank the host of_ hea - ven Spreads its van - guard on_ the_ way,

A. Rank on rank the host of_ hea - ven Spreads its van - guard on_ the_ way,

T. *f* Rank on rank the host of_ hea - ven Spreads its van - guard on_ the_ way,

B. *f* Rank on rank the host of_ hea - ven Spreads its van - guard on_ the_ way,

38 *cresc.*

S. Asthe Light of light des - cen - deth, From the realms_ of end - less_ day, That the powers of

A. Asthe Light of light des - cen - deth, From the realms_ of end - less_ day, That the powers of *cresc.*

T. AstheLight of light des - cen - deth, From the realms_ of end - less_ day,

B. AstheLight of light des - cen - deth, From the realms of end - less_ day, _____

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S. *rit.* *ff*
 hell may va - nish, As the dark-ness clears a - way. Al - le -

A. *ff*
 hell may va - nish, As the dark-ness clears a - way. Al - le -

T. *ff*
 That the powers of hell may va - nish, As the dark - ness clears a - way. Al - le -

B. *ff*
 That the powers of hell may va - nish, As the dark - ness clears a - way. Al - le -

51

S.
 se - raph, Che - ru - bim with sleep - less eye, Veil their fa - ces to the

A.
 ia. Al - le - lu - ia Al - le - lu -

T.
 ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu -

B.
 sleep - less eye, Veil their fa - ces to the pre - sence, As with cease-less

54

S. pre - sence, As with cease-less voice they cry: Al - le - lu ia, Al - le -

A. ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu ia, Al - le -

T. ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -

B. voice they cry: Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -

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S. *sempre ff* *molto rit.* *subito pp*
 ia, Al-le-lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

A. *sempre ff* *subito pp*
 ia, Al-le-lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

T. *sempre ff* *subito pp*
 ia, Al-le-lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

B. *sempre ff* *subito pp*
 Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. *ossia* Al - le - lu - ia.