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And there was light

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Genesis 1:3, Psalm 27,  
and Henry Vaughan (1621-1695)

Joseph Phibbs (2022)

♩ = 84

Solo (without conductor)  
*con rubato e sempre legato*

Violoncello

Tempo I (♩ = 84)

(LH pizz.)  
+

A

17 (♩ = 84, with conductor)

S.

A.

T. *f*, strident (in the style of a cantor)  
 And God said,

B.

Vc. *f*, change bow freely (V) *ffp*



*poco meno mosso*  
*molto legato*

21 *2 Soli pp mp pp mf*

S. \*Ye - hi Ohr, Ye - hi Ohr,  
 \*pronounced "yay-ee or"

A. *Solo molto legato pp mp pp mf*  
 \*Ye - hi Ohr, Ye - hi Ohr,

T. *f* (Solo (cantor))  
 "Let there be light"

B.

Vc. *ff pp*

(2 Soli) **B** a tempo

S. *p* *pp*  
Ye - hi \_\_\_\_\_

A. (Solo) *p* *pp*  
Ye - hi \_\_\_\_\_

T. Solo (cantor) *f*  
And God \_\_\_\_\_ said, \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. *f*



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S. \_\_\_\_\_

A. \_\_\_\_\_

T. Solo (cantor) *f*  
"Let \_\_\_\_\_ there be light" \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. *ffp* *ff* *pp*



a tempo

32 Poco meno mosso

S.

A.

T. *pp* *mp* *f*  
 \*pronounced 'ge-ne-thee-toe foss'  
 Solo (within choir) Solo (cantor)  
 \*Ge - ne - the - to Phos. "Let there be

B. *pp* *mp*  
 2 Soli  
 \*Ge - ne - the - to Phos.

Vc. *f*

S. *ff*  
 tutti, div a 3  
 Fi - at Lux, Fi - at Lux, Fi - at Lux.

A. *ff*  
 tutti  
 Fi - at Lux, Fi - at Lux, Fi - at Lux.

T. *ff*  
 light"

B.

Vc. *p* *f*

D

poco meno mosso

♩ = 72

tutti

**ppp**

40

S. *tutti ppp* Lux, \_\_\_\_\_

A. *tutti ppp* Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_

T. *Solo (cantor)* light" \_\_\_\_\_ *ppp tutti* Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_

B. *ppp* Lux, \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. *pizz.* *f* *arco* *pp* \_\_\_\_\_

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S. *ppp* Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_

A. Lux \_\_\_\_\_ Lux \_\_\_\_\_ Lux \_\_\_\_\_ Lux \_\_\_\_\_ Lux \_\_\_\_\_

T. Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_

B. Lux, \_\_\_\_\_ Lux, \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. *mf* *mf* *f* *molto dim.*

**E**

**poco meno mosso** ♩ = 66

50 *poco pp sotto voce* *p sost.* *mp*

S. And there was light, and there was light, and

A. And there was light, and there was light, and

T. — And there was light, and there was light, and

B. And there was light, and there was light, and

Vc. *pp* *p*



55 *mf cresc.* *div.* *ff*

S. there was light, and there was light, and

A. *mf cresc.* *ff*

T. *mf cresc.* *ff*

B. *mf cresc.* *div.* *ff*

Vc. *mf cresc.* *ff*

59 **F**

S. there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and

A. there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and

T. there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and

B. *unis.*  
there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and

Vc. *pizz.*  
*f*

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S. there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and

A. there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and

T. *div. unis.*  
there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and

B. there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ and

Vc. *arco*  
*f*

G

67

S. there was light, and there was

A. there was light, and there was

T. there was light, light,

B. there was light, light, and there there was

Vc. *ff*

div.

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S. light, and there was light, and there was  
light,

A. light and there was light, light, and there was

T. *div. f* and there was light, *unis.*

B. light, light,

Vc. *f* *mf*

*f* *mf*

75 *pp*

S. light, *pp*

A. light *pp*

T. *mp cresc.* and, and there was

T. *mp cresc.* and there was light,

B. *mp cresc.* and, and there was light,

Vc. *mp cresc.*

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S. *mp* and there was light, *f* light. *ff*

A. *mp* and there was light, *f* light. *ff*

T. *mp* light, and there was light, and there was light. *ff*

T. *mp* and there was light, and there was light. *ff*

B. *mp* and there was light, and there was light. *ff*

Vc. *mp* and there was light, and there was light. *ff*

84 Più mosso ♩ = 132

S. *p, marc. sempre*  
Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi -

A. *p, marc. sempre*  
Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, \_\_\_\_\_

T. *p, marc. sempre*  
Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, \_\_\_\_\_

B. Solo (cantor)

Vc. *pizz.*  
*f sempre marc.*

S. *p, marc. sempre*  
Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, \_\_\_\_\_

A. *p, marc. sempre*  
Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, \_\_\_\_\_

T. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. \_\_\_\_\_

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S.

A.

T.

B.

Vc.

Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi

Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

*p, marc. sempre*  
Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

*p, marc. sempre*  
Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

*p, marc. sempre*  
Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

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S. *mf* Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ *mf* Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ *mf* Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ *mf* Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi

A. *mp* Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ *mp* Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

T. *mp* Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ Do-mi-nus

Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ *mp* Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

B. *p, marc. sempre* Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ *mp* Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_ *mp* Do-mi-nus il-lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a, \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. \_\_\_\_\_

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*f* *f*

S. Do mi nus il-lu mi-na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_ Do mi nus il-lu mi na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_

na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_ *f* Do mi nus il - lu-mi na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_ *f* Do mi nus il - lu-mi

A. *mf* Do mi nus il - lu-mi na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_ *mf* Do mi nus il - lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_

*mf* *f*

Do mi nus il - lu-mi na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_ Do mi nus il - lu-mi na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_

Solo (cantor) *f*

8 And there was light,\_\_\_\_\_

T. *mf* il - lu-mi na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_ Do mi nus il - lu-mi na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_

*mf*

Do mi nus il-lu mi-na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_ Do mi nus il-lu mi na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_

B. *mf* *mf* *mf*

Do mi nus il - lu-mi na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_ Do mi nus il - lu-mi-na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_ Do mi nus

*mf*

Do mi nus il-lu mi-na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_ Do mi nus il - lu-mi na-ti - o me-a,\_\_\_\_\_

Vc. 0 0 0 0 0 0

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*ff* *mf*

S. Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi -

na - ti - o me - a, Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o

A. Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a,

Do - mi - nus, Do - mi - nus, Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a,

Solo (cantor) *f*

And

T. *mf* *mf*

Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, Do - mi - nus

*mf* *mf*

Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi -

B. *mf* *mf* *ff*

il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a,

*mf* *mf*

Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, Do - mi - nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o

Vc.

0

99

*mf* *ff*

S. na - ti - o me - a, Do-mi-nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, me - a, me - a,

*mf* *ff*

S. me - a, Do-mi-nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a.

*mf* *ff*

A. Do-mi-nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a,

*ff*

A. Do-mi-nus il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a.

Solo (cantor)

8 there was light,

*ff*

T. il - lu - mi - na - ti - o me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a,

*ff*

8 na - ti - o me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a.

*ff*

B. me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a.

*ff*

B. me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a, me - a.

Vc. *ff*

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*ff con forza*

S. *ff con forza*  
 And there was light, \_\_\_\_\_

A. *ff con forza*  
 And there was light, \_\_\_\_\_

T. *ff con forza*  
 And there was light, \_\_\_\_\_

B. *ff con forza*  
 And there was light, \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. *f*  
*tr*



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S. *ff con forza*  
 And there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_

A. *ff con forza*  
 And there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_

T. *ff con forza*  
 And there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_

B. *ff con forza*  
 And there was light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. *f*  
*arco*  
*tr*

L

114 ♩ = ♩ (♩ = 66)

S.

A. *p*  
light,

T. *Solo (cantor) f dim. poco a poco*  
And there was light, and there was

B.

Vc.



118 poco rit. . . . . ♩ = 60

S.

A. *pp*  
light,

T. *Solo (cantor) (dim.)*  
light, and there was light. *p*

B. *p* *div. pp*  
light, light,

Vc.

M

122

S.

A.

T. *div. ppp*  
light, \_\_\_\_\_

B. *div. ppp*  
light, \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. *Solo*  
*p* *mf* *p* *f* *p* *mf*



128

S. *2 soli pp*  
Ye - hi

A. *solo* *(solo) pp*  
Ye - hi

T. *gli altri, div. ppp*  
light, \_\_\_\_\_

B. *(ppp)* *ppp*  
light, \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. *pizz.* *pp*

T. *unis. pp mp pp*  
They are all gone in - to the world of light.

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133 (2 soli)

orch. *pp* Fi - at lux. \_\_\_\_\_

S. *p* *mf* *p*  
They are all gone in - to the world of light,

(solo) orch. *pp* Fi - at lux. \_\_\_\_\_

A. *pp* *mp* *pp* *div.* *unis.* *3* *div.* *p* *mf*  
They are all gone in - to the world of light \_\_\_\_\_ They are all gone

T. Solo *pp* Ge - ne - the - to phos.

*pp* *mp* *pp* *3* *p* *mf*  
They are all gone in - to the world of light \_\_\_\_\_ They are all gone

B. *pp* Solo Ge - ne - the - to phos.

light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_

Vc.

139 *tutti, div. mp* *mf*

S. — They are all gone, they are all gone,

A. *p* *mf* *div.*  
in - to the world of light, they are all gone,

T. *p* *mf* *div.*  
in - to the world of light, they are all gone,

B. light, light,

Vc.

142 *f* *unis. p* *f* *mf*

S. they are all gone, in - to the world of

A. they are all gone, in - to the world of

T. Solo (cantor) *f* *mf*  
And there was light, light,

B. *f* *unis. p*  
they are all gone, in - to the world of

Vc. *f* *arco* *p*

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S. *div.* *pp*  
light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_

A. *pp*  
light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_

T. Solo (cantor) *mp* *p* *pp*  
light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_

B. *pp*  
light, \_\_\_\_\_ light, \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. Solo *p*  
\_\_\_\_\_

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S. *ppp* *lunga*  
light. \_\_\_\_\_

A. *ppp* *lunga*  
light. \_\_\_\_\_

T. *ppp* *lunga*  
light. \_\_\_\_\_

B. *ppp* *lunga*  
light, \_\_\_\_\_ light. \_\_\_\_\_

Vc. *pp* *lunga* (III)  
\_\_\_\_\_