

Hear my prayer, O Lord

(Based on Psalm 143)

An Anthem based on Psalm 143, for fast day

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A minor

William Billings, 1770

Treble

Counter

Tenor

Bass

Hear my prayer, O Lord, give ear to my supplications, and in Thy faithfulness answer me, and in Thy right - eous - ness.

Tr.

C.

T.

B.

And ent - er not in - to judgment with Thy servant.

For in Thy sight can no man

For in Thy sight can no man living be just - i - fied.

Tr. 30 1. 2. 35 40

I meditate on all Thy works, I muse on the works of Thy hands. I remember

C. living be just - i - fied. For - fied.

T. 8 I remember the days of old. I muse on the works of Thy hands. I remember

B.

Tr. 45 50

I muse on the works of Thy hands. My soul thirsteth

C. the days of old, I meditate on all Thy works.

T. 8 I stretch forth my hands unto Thee, O God.

B.

Tr. 55 60

C. after Thee as a dry, as a dry, as a dry and a thirs - ty land. Hear me speedi - ly, O

T. 8 Hear me speedily, O Lord

B. Hear me speedily, O Lord my God. Hear me speedily, Hear me speedily, O Lord my God.

Tr. 65 70 75

C. Lord, my God. My spir - it fail - eth; Hide not Thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down to the pit. Cause me to know the

T. 8

B.

Tr. C. T. B.

80 85

way where I should walk, for I lift up my soul to Thee. Cause me to know the way where I should walk, for I lift up my soul to Thee. Cause

Tr. C. T. B.

90 95

me to know the way that I should walk, for I lift up my soul to Thee. Ha - le - lu - jah, Ha - le - lu - jah, Ha - le - lu -

Tr. C. T. B.

1. 2.

100 105

-jah. Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Ha - -jah. Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah.

The musical score is written for four voices: Tenor (Tr.), Contralto (C.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). It features a first ending (1.) and a second ending (2.). Measure numbers 100 and 105 are indicated. The lyrics are: -jah. Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Ha - -jah. Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah.