

107.A Mourner's Entreaties

The musical score is written for a four-part setting in 3/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are arranged in four lines, corresponding to the four parts of the setting. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the last two lines. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords that support the vocal melody. The vocal line has a melodic contour that rises and then falls, with some lines featuring a repeat sign. The lyrics are: 1. My end, Lord, make me know, My days, how soon they fail; 2. To Thy e - ter - nal thought My days are but a span; 3. O Lord, re - gard my fears, And ans - wer my re - quest; 4. I am a stran - ger here, De - pen - dent on Thy grace, And to my thought - ful spi - rit show How weak I am, and frail. To Thee my years ap - pear as nought, A breath at best is man. Turn not in si - lence from my tears, But give the mour - ner rest. A pil - grim, as my fa - thers were, With no a - bi - ding place.

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