

Generously commissioned by Jerry & Cathie Fischer, Ken & Penny Fischer,
and Jack & Linda Hoeschler for The King's Singers in celebration of their 40th Anniversary.
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High Flight

Henry Vaughan (1622?-1695)
John Gillespie Magee (1922-1941)

BOB CHILCOTT

With great stillness (♩ = c. 60)

(c.20")

ALTO 1
ALTO 2

TENOR

BARITONE 1
BARITONE 2

BASS

SOPRANO

ALTO

TENOR

BASS

p

p

p

p

ppp

ppp

ppp

ppp

I saw e -

I saw e -

I saw e -

I saw e -

I saw, _____

I saw, _____

I saw,

I saw, I saw,

* (each singer sing phrases independently and in own tempo)

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7 (c.12")

A.1
A.2
T.
Bar.1
Bar.2
B.

ter - ni - ty the o - ther night

ter - ni - ty the o - ther night

ter - ni - ty the o - ther night

ter - ni - ty the o - ther night

S.
I saw, I saw,

A.
I saw, I saw,

T.
B.

14 (c.8")

A.1
A.2
T.
Bar.1
Bar.2
B.

Like a great ring of pure and end - less light,

Like a great ring of pure and end - less light,

a ring of pure and end - less light,

a ring of pure and end - less light,

S.
I saw, I saw,

A.
I saw, I saw,

T.
B.

mp

mp

mp

mp

pp

pp

pp

pp

20

A.1
A.2
T.
Bar.1
Bar.2
B.
S.
A.
T.
B.

All calm, as it was bright; (c.12")
All calm, as it was bright; (c.12")
All calm, as it was bright; (c.12")
All calm, as it was bright; (c.12")
I saw, *ppp*
I saw, *ppp*
I saw, *ppp*
I saw, *ppp* (fade)
I saw, I saw,

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A.1
A.2
T.
Bar.1
Bar.2
B.
S.
A.
T.

And, round be - neath it, time, in hours, days, years, *p* *cresc.*
And, round be - neath it, time, in hours, days, years, *p* *cresc.*
And, round be - neath it, time, in hours, days, years, *p* *cresc.*
And, round be - neath it, time, in hours, days, years, *p* *cresc.*
(settle on chord)
(settle on chord)
(settle on chord)