

DIRECTOR'S SCORE

BETTER IS ONE DAY

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Gently (♩ = ca. 86)

SOPRANO

mp

ALTO

How

Choir

Master Rhythm

D Dsus D Dsus D Dsus Asus

mp Keys, Acoustic, Bass (Drums out)
Perc loop: Rhythmic Bohdram

Bass: high register until m. 13

Penny Whistle
(Opt. Piccolo)

mp

B \flat Trumpet 1,2&3

Trombone 1&2

Trombone 3/Tuba

1

2

3

4

5

Choir

love - ly is Your dwell - ing place, O Lord, Al - might - y. For

Rhy.

D DM9 Bm D D⁴ D G D

Pen. Whistle

B \flat Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

5

6

7

8

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Choir
my soul longs and e - ven faints for You. For

Rhy.
D DM9 Bm D D⁴ D A sus (w/ penny whistle)

Pen. Whistle
mp

B^b Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

9 10 11 12

13

Choir
S. here my heart is sat - is - fied with - in Your pre -
A. mp
T. *[Sustained note]*

Rhy.
B. Oo
D DM9 Bm D D⁴ D G GM7

Pen. Whistle

B^b Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

13 14 15

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Choir
- sence. I sing be - neath the shad - ow of Your wings. *cresc.*

Rhy.
cresc.

Pen. Whistle
mp

B \flat Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

16 17 18 19

Choir
mf 21
Bet - ter is one day in Your courts, Bet - ter is one day in Your house, Bet - ter is one day in Your courts tharthou - sands

Rhy.
mf *Drums: Lite cymbals only*

Pen. Whistle
mf

B \flat Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

20 21 22 23

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Choir
elsewhere. — Better is one day in Your courts, Better is one day in Your house, Better is one day in Your courts than thou sands

Rhy.
Asus D F# G2(no3) B m7 Asus D F# G2(no3)

Pen. Whistle
mf

B \flat Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

24 25 26 27

Choir
else-where, than thou - sands else-where. One thing I ask and

Rhy.
Asus D2 F# G2(no3) A 7sus F FM9 Dm F
mf Drums In

Pen. Whistle
mf

B \flat Tpt. 1, 2&3
tutti
p *mf*

Tbn. 1&2
mf

Tbn. 3/Tuba
mf

28 29 30 31

Choir
I would seek: to see Your beau - ty, to find You in the

Rhy.
F⁴ F B^b B^b/_C F FM9 D^m/_F F

Pen. Whistle
mf

B^b Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

32 33 34 35

Choir
place Your glo - ry dwells. One thing I ask and

Rhy.
F⁴ F C_{sus} F FM9 D^m/_F F

Pen. Whistle
mf

B^b Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

36 37 38 39

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Choir I would seek: to see Your beau - ty, to find You in the

Rhy. F⁴ F B \flat B \flat M7 C sus F Dm F

Pen. Whistle

B \flat Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

40 41 42 43

Choir place Your glo - ry dwells. Bet ter is one day in Your courts, Bet-ter is

Rhy. Gm7 C sus C E C B \flat 2(no3) Dm7

Pen. Whistle *mf*

B \flat Tpt. 1, 2&3 *mf*

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba *mf*

44 45 46 47

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Choir
one day in Yourhouse, Better is one day in your courts tharthou sands elsewhere. Better is one day in Your courts, Better is

Rhy.
C sus E A Bb2(no3) C sus E A Bb2(no3) Dm7

Pen. Whistle

Bb Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

48 49 50 51

Choir
one day in Yourhouse, Better is one day in Your courts tharthou sands elsewhere, than thou-sands elsewhere. —

Rhy.
C sus E A Bb2(no3) Bb D C sus E C Bb2

Pen. Whistle

Bb Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

52 53 54 55

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Choir

My heart and flesh cry out for You, the liv - ing God.— Your spir - it's wa - ter to my soul.

Rhy.

Dm7 C BbM7 C6 Dm7 C Bb C

Pen. Whistle

Bb Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

56

57

58

59

Choir

I've tast - ed and I've seen, Come once a - gain to me.— I will draw near to You, I will draw near to You,—

Rhy.

Dm7 C BbM7 Eb Bb E A Gm9

Pen. Whistle

Bb Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

60

61

62

63

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Choir

cresc. to You! *cresc.* Better is *ff* one day in Your courts, Bet ter is one day in Yourhouse, Bet ter is

Rhy.

cresc. *ff* 1st x: Stop down in each bar
2nd x: Drums play thru

Pen. Whistle

B \flat Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

f *ff* *f* *ff*

C2 C D C2(no3) Em7 Dsus G/B

64 65 66 67

Choir

one day in Your courts than thou - sands else-where. Bet ter is one day in Your courts, Bet - ter is

Rhy.

f *ff* *f* *ff*

C2(no3) C Dsus G/B C2(no3) Em7

Drum Fill All in - (Time resumes)

Pen. Whistle

B \flat Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

68 69 70

1. (Optional Repeat)

Choir
one day in Your house, Bet-ter is one day in Your courts than thou - sands else where. Bet-ter is

Rhy.
Dsus G/B C2(no3) C/E Dsus G/B
Drum Fill

Pen. Whistle

B♭ Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

71 72 73

2.

Choir
else - where, than thou - sands else - where!

Rhy.
Dsus D Dsus C Em B G2 A G
Stop-down Drum Fill Drum fill into "stinger"

Pen. Whistle

B♭ Tpt. 1, 2&3

Tbn. 1&2

Tbn. 3/Tuba

74 75 76 77

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