

# O Absalom

2 Samuel 18:20,31-33

Dennis Báthory-Kitsz

*About six minutes*

**Lento**

*mp*

Soprano  
Thou shalt not bear ti - dings this day, — but thou shalt bear ti - dings a - noth - er day: — but thou

Alto  
Thou shalt not bear ti - dings this day, — but thou shalt bear ti - dings a - noth - er day: — but thou

Tenor  
Thou shalt not bear ti - dings this day, — but thou shalt bear ti - dings a - noth - er day: — but thou

Bass  
Thou shalt not bear ti - dings this day, — but thou shalt bear ti - dings a - noth - er day: — but thou

**Moderato**

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*ff*

S  
shalt bear no ti - dings, be - cause the king's son is — dead. — The en - e - mies, the en - e -

A  
shalt bear no ti - dings, be - cause the king's son is — dead. — The en - e - mies, e - ne - mies

T  
shalt bear no ti - dings be - cause the king's son is — dead. — The en - e - mies of my

B  
shalt bear no ti - dings, be - cause the king's son is — dead. — The en - e - mies of —

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S  
mies of my lord the king, the king, and all that rise a - gainst thee to do thee

A  
of my lord the king — and all that rise a - gainst — thee to do thee —

T  
lord the king, and all that rise a - gainst thee to — do — gainst thee to

B  
— my lord the — king, to do

*rit.*

**Lento**

18

S hurt, be as that young man is

A hurt, be as that young man is

T do thee hurt, thee hurt, be as that young man is And the king was

B the hurt, be as that young man is And the

23

S And the king was moved And the

A And the king was moved And the

T much moved And the king And

B king was moved And the king And the

29

S king was much moved, And the king was much moved,

A king was much moved, And the king was much moved,

T the king was much moved, And the king was much moved,

B king was much moved, And the king was much moved,

35

S *mp* and went up to the cham - ber

A *mp* and went up to the cham-ber

T *mp* o - ver the gate,

B *mp* and went up to the cham - ber o - ver the gate,

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S o - ver the gate. And the king was much moved,

A o - ver the gate. And the king was much moved,

T to the cham-ber o - ver the gate. and the king was much moved,

B the gate. And the king was much moved,

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S And the king was much moved, and wept.

A And the king was much moved, and wept.

T and the king was much moved, and wept. *pp* And as

B And the king was much moved, and wept.

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S *pp* And as he went, and as he went, thus he said, *fff* O

A *pp* And as he went, and as he went, thus he said, *fff* O

T he went, and as he went, And as he went, thus he said, *fff* O

B *pp* *fff*

thus he said, \_\_\_\_\_

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S *pp* my son, O my son. *ppp* O my son. Ab - sa -

A *pp* my son, O my son. *ppp* O my son. Ab - sa -

T *pp* my son, O my son. *ppp* O my son. Ab - sa -

B *pp* my son, O my son. *ppp* O my son.

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Moderato

S *fff* lom, *fff* my son! my son! *mp* would God I had died for thee, *pp*

A *fff* lom, *fff* my son! my son! *mp* would God I had died for thee, *pp*

T lom, *fff* my son! my son! *mp* would God I had died for thee, *pp*

B *fff* my son! my son! *mp* would God I had died for thee, *pp*

80 Lento

S O Ab-sa-lom, my son, my son, O Ab-sa-lom my son my son. Would God I had

A O Ab-sa-lom, my son, my son, O Ab-sa-lom my son my son. Would God I had

T O Ab-sa-lom, my son, my son, O Ab-sa-lom my son my son. Would God I had

B O Ab-sa-lom, my son, my son, O Ab-sa-lom my son my son. Would God I had

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S died for thee O Ab-sa-lom my son. My son! My son!

A died for thee O Ab-sa-lom my son. My son! My son!

T died for thee O Ab-sa-lom my son. My son! My son!

B died for thee O Ab-sa-lom my son. My son! My son!

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S My son! My son!

A My son! My son!

T My son! My son!

B My son! My son!