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BLESSED BE THE NAME OF THE LORD

from PSALM 13

Dale Grotenhuis

The musical score is arranged for SATB choir and piano. It begins with a 4/4 time signature and a key signature of one flat (B-flat major). The vocal parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment all start with a fortissimo (*ff*) dynamic. The lyrics for the first system are: "Praise ye the Lord, Praise Him, O ye ser-vants of the Lord." The piano part features a rhythmic accompaniment with eighth and sixteenth notes, and some chords. The second system of the score includes a ritardando (*rit.*) marking and a change to 3/8 time. The lyrics are: "Praise the name of the Lord." This is followed by a repeat sign with a 3+3+2+2 measure structure. The third system continues with the lyrics: "Praise the name of the Lord. Bless ed be the name of the Lord" and includes a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic marking and a "(2nd time only)" instruction. The piano part continues with a similar rhythmic pattern, including a *rit.* marking and a *mp* dynamic. The final system of the score includes the lyrics: "Praise the name of the Lord. Bless-ed be the name of the Lord from this time forth, from" and features a *rit.* marking and a 3+3+2+2 measure structure. The piano part concludes with a series of chords and a final cadence.

S
A
T
B

PIANO

ff

Praise ye the Lord, Praise Him, O ye ser-vants of the Lord,

rit.

Praise the name of the Lord.

rit.

Praise the name of the Lord.

rit. (2nd time only) *mp*

Praise the name of the Lord. Bless ed be the name of the Lord

rit. *mp*

Praise the name of the Lord. Bless-ed be the name of the Lord from this time forth, from

rit. *mp*

3+3+2+2

3+3+2+2

cresc.

from this time forth and ev - er - more. From the ris - ing of the sun, from the

cresc.

this time forth and for - ev - er - more. From the ris - ing of the sun, from the

f dim.

ris - ing of the sun to the go - ing down of the same, the

f dim.

ris - ing of the sun to the go - ing down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised.

mp

Lord's name is to be praised.

mp

Lord's name is to be praised.

SOP. ff

ALTO

Praise the Lord,

TEN. ff

BASS

rit. $\text{♩} = \text{a tempo}$

Praise ye the Lord. — Praise ye the Lord. —

Sop. (2nd time only) *mp*

Bless-ed be the name of the Lord from this time

ALTO *mp*

Bless-ed be the name of the Lord from this time forth, from this time forth and for-

cresc.

forth and ev-er-more. From the ris-ing of the sun, from the ris-ing of the sun to the

cresc.

ev-er-more. — From the ris-ing of the sun, from the ris-ing of the sun to the

cresc.

dim. 1 2

go - ing down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised.

go - ing down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised. Lord's name is to be praised.

SOP. *mp* rit.

ALTO *mp*

TENOR *mf* rit.

BASS

Bless - ed be the name of the Lord.

Bless - ed be the name, Bless - ed be the name of the Lord.

p Slower

The Lord is high a - bove all na - tions, is

Slower

cresc.

high a - bove all na - tions, and His glo - ry. His glo - ry a -

dim. *p*

bove the heav - ens, His glo - ry a - bove the heav - ens. The Lord is

cresc. rit. *f*

high a - bove all na - tions, and His glo - ry a - bove the heav -

TEMPO I

SOP. *f*

ALTO *f*

TEN. *f*

BASS *f*

TEMPO I

ens! Bless - ed be the name of the Lord

ens! Bless - ed be the name of the Lord from this time forth, from

ens! Bless - ed be the name of the Lord

ens! Bless - ed be the name of the Lord from this time forth, from

cresc.

— from this time forth and ev - er - more. From the ris - ing of the sun, from the

this time forth and for - ev - er - more. — From the ris - ing of the sun, from the

— from this time forth and ev - er - more. From the ris - ing of the sun, from the

this time forth and for - ev - er - more. — From the ris - ing of the sun, from the

cresc.

dim.

ris - ing of the sun to the go - ing down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised.

dim.

ris - ing of the sun to the go - ing down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised.

dim.

ris - ing of the sun to the go - ing down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised.

dim.

ris - ing of the sun to the go - ing down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised.

dim.

Praise ye the Lord, Praise Him, O ye ser-vants of the

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rit. ,

Lord, Praise the name of the Lord, praise the Lord!

rit. ,

Lord, Praise the name of the Lord, praise the Lord!

rit. ,

Lord, Praise the name of the Lord, praise the Lord!

rit. ,

Lord, Praise the name of the Lord, praise the Lord!

rit. ,

Lord, Praise the name of the Lord, praise the Lord!