

# Love Bade me Welcome

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)

Music: Philip Le Bas

**SOPRANO**

**ALTO**

**TENOR**

**BASS**

**Piano (for practice only)**

*J = 80 Warmly*

*pp* *mp*

Love bade\* me wel - come, Love bade me wel-come. Love bade me

*pp* *mp*

Love bade\* me wel-come, Love bade me wel-come. Love bade me

*pp* *mp*

8 Love bade\* me wel-come, Love bade me wel-come. Love bade me

*pp* *mp*

Love bade\* me wel-come, Love bade me wel-come. Love bade me

*J = 80 Warmly*

*pp* *mp*

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wel - come; yet my soul drew back, guilty of dust and sin.

wel - come yet my soul drew back, guilty of dust, of dust and sin.

wel - come yet my soul drew back, gui - lty, guilty of dust, of dust and sin.

wel - come; yet my soul drew back, guilty of dust and sin.

*pp*

\*pronounced "bad"

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pp

mp (lightly)

Love bade me welcome, Love bade me welcome. But quick-eyed Love, ob -

pp

mp (lightly)

Love bade me welcome, Love bade me welcome. But quick-eyed Love, ob -

pp

mp (lightly)

8 Love bade me welcome, Love bade me welcome. But quick-eyed Love, ob -

pp

mp (lightly)

Love bade me welcome, Love bade me welcome. But quick-eyed Love, ob -

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p

ser-ving me grow slack from my first en-trance in, drew near-er to me, sweet-ly

p

ser-ving me grow slack from my first en-trance in, drew near-er to me, sweet-ly

8

p

ser-ving me grow slack from my first en-trance in, drew near-er to me, sweet-ly

p

ser-ving me grow slack from my first en-trance in, drew near-er to me, sweet-ly

p

ser-ving me grow slack from my first en-trance in, drew near-er to me, sweet-ly

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que-stion-ing if I lacked an - y - thing. Love bade me wel-come, Love bade me  
que-stion-ing if I lacked an - y - thing. Love bade me wel-come, Love bade me  
que-stion-ing if I lacked an - y - thing. Love bade me wel-come, Love bade me  
que-stion-ing if I lacked an - y - thing. Love bade me wel-come, Love bade me

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wel-come. 'A guest', I an - swered, 'Wor-thy to be here.' Love  
wel-come. 'A guest', I an - swered, 'Wor-thy to be here.' \_\_\_\_\_  
wel-come. 'A guest', I an- swered, 'wor - thy to be here.'  
wel-come. 'A guest', I an - swered, 'Wor - thy to be here.' Love

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said, 'You shall be he!' Love bade me welcome, Love bade me  
 Love said, 'You shall be he!' Love bade me welcome, Love bade me  
 8 Love said, 'You shall be he!' Love bade me welcome, Love bade me  
 said, 'You shall be he!' Love bade me welcome, Love bade me

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wel-come. I, the un-kind, un - grate- ful? Ah, my dear, I can-not look on  
 wel-come. I, the un-kind, un - grate- ful? Ah, my dear, I can-not look on  
 8 wel-come. 'I, the un-kind, un - grate- ful? Ah, my dear, I can-not look on  
 wel-come. I, the un-kind, un - grate- ful? Ah, my dear, I can-not look on

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thee.' Love took my hand, and smi-ling did re ply, 'Who made the eyes but I?'

thee.' Love took my hand, and smi-ling did re ply, 'Who made the eyes but I?'

thee.' Love took my hand, and smi-ling did re ply, 'Who made the eyes but I?'

thee.' Love took my hand, and smi-ling did re ply, 'Who made the eyes but I?'

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pp

Love bade me wel-come, Love bade me wel-come. 'Truth, Lord, but I have

pp

Love bade me wel-come, Love bade me wel-come. 'Lord, I have

pp

Love bade me wel-come, Love bade me wel-come. 'Lord, I have

pp

Love bade me wel-come, Love bade me wel-come. 'Lord, I have

pp

Love bade me wel-come, Love bade me wel-come. 'Lord, I have

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marred them; let my shame go where it doth de-serve.

marred, marred them; let my shame, my shame go where it doth de-serve.

8 marred them let my shame go where it doth de-serve.

marred, marred them; let my shame, my shame go where it doth de-serve.

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*pp* Love bade me wel-come, *mf* Love bade me wel-come. 'And know you not,' says

*pp* Love bade me wel-come, *mf* Love bade me wel-come. 'And know you not,' says

8 *pp* Love bade me wel-come, *mf* Love bade me wel-come. 'And know you not,' says

*pp* Love bade me wel-come, *mf* Love bade me wel-come. 'And know you not,' says

*pp*

*mf*

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*slower* **f**

a tempo **p**

Love, 'who bore the blame?' — 'My dear, then I will serve.' 'You must sit down', says Love, 'and  
Love, 'who bore the blame?' — 'My dear, then I will serve.' 'You must sit down', says Love, 'and  
Love, 'who bore the blame?' — 'My dear, then I will serve.' 'Sit down', says Love, 'and  
Love, 'who bore the blame?' — 'My dear, then I will serve.' 'Sit down', says Love, 'and'

*slower* **f**

a tempo **p**

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**f**

**ff** rit.

taste my meat.' So I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.  
taste my meat.' So I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.  
taste my meat.' So I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.  
taste my meat.' So I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.

**f**

**ff**

rit.