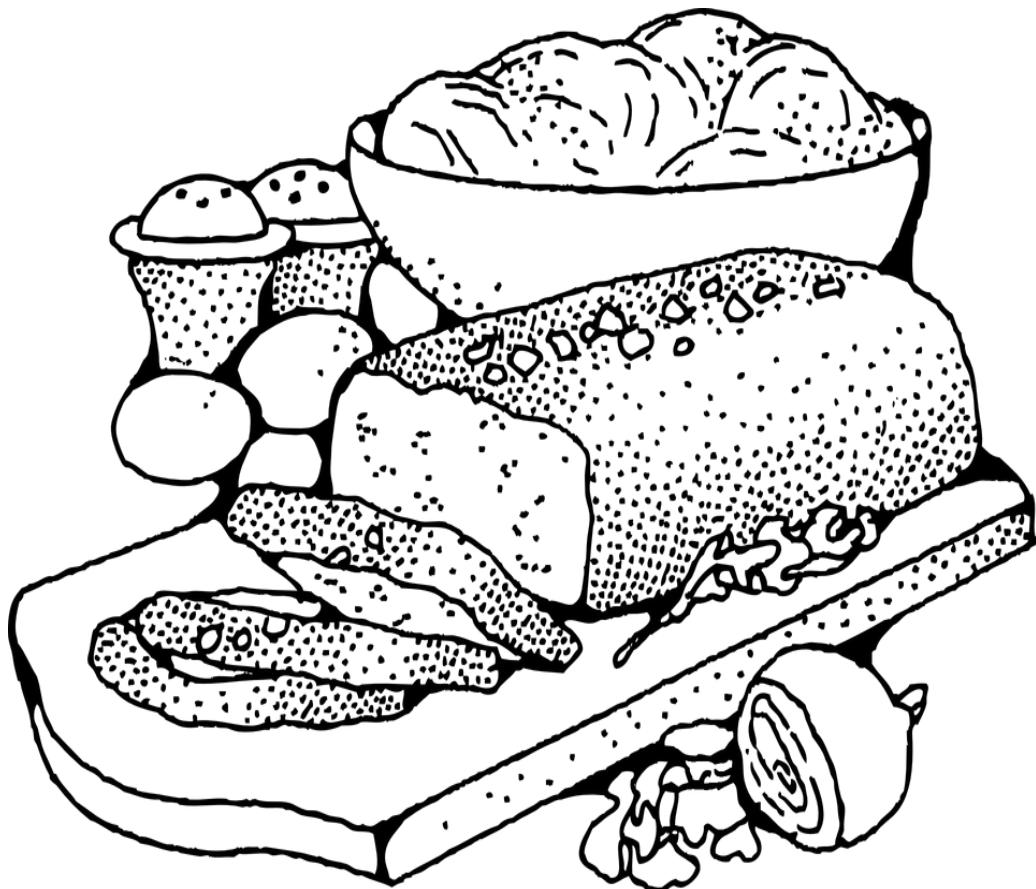


Philip Le Bas

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Music: Philip Le Bas

J = 85 Warmly

SOPRANO ALTO TENOR BASS

Piano (optional)

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

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

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

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

** Pronounced "bad"*

12

wel-come. Love bade me wel-come. But quick-eyed Love, ob - ser-ving me grow
 wel - come. Love bade me wel - come. But quick- eyed Love, ob - ser- ving me grow
 wel - come. Love bade me wel - come. But quick- eyed Love, ob - ser-ving me grow
 wel-come. Love bade me wel-come. But quick- eyed Love, ob - ser-ving me grow

mp (lightly)

mp (lightly)

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17

slack from my first en - trance in, drew near-er to me, sweet-ly que - stion-ing if
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p

pp

pp

pp

pp

22

I lacked an - y - thing. Love bade me wel - come. Love bade me wel - come.

I lacked an - y - thing. Love bade me wel - come. Love bade me wel - come.

I lacked an - y - thing. Love bade me wel - come. Love bade me wel - come.

I lacked an - y - thing. Love bade me wel - come. Love bade me wel - come.

28

'A guest', I an - swered, 'Wor-thy to be here.' Love, Love said, 'You'

'A guest', I an - swered, 'Wor-thy to be here.' Love said, 'You'

'A guest', I ans-swered, 'wor-thy to be here.' Love said, 'You shall be'

'A guest', I an - swered, 'Wor-thy to be here.' Love said, 'You shall be'

33

shall be he! Love bade me wel-come. Love bade me wel-come.
shall be he! Love bade me wel - come, wel - come. Love bade me wel - come.
he! Love bade me wel - come, wel - come. Love bade me wel - come.
he! Love bade me wel-come. Love bade me wel-come.

38

I, the un-kind, un - grate- ful? Ah, my dear, I can-not look on thee! Love,
I, the un-kind, un - grate- ful? Ah, my dear, I can-not look on thee! Love,
mf
I, the un-kind, un - grate- ful? Ah, my dear, I can-not look on thee!
I, the un-kind, un - grate- ful? Ah, my dear, I can-not look on thee!

43

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

48

wel-come, wel-come. Love bade me wel-come. 'Truth, Lord, but I have marred them;
 wel - come. Love bade me wel - come. 'Lord, I have marred them;
 wel - come. Love bade me wel - come. 'Lord, I have marred them; let my
 wel-come, Love bade me wel- come. 'Lord, I have marred them;

53

rit. *slowly and uncertainly a tempo*

pp *ppp* *mp*

let my shame go where it doth de-serve. go where it doth de-serve. 'And
 let my shame go where, go where it doth de-serve. go where it doth de-serve. 'And
 shame, let my shame go where, go where it doth de-serve. go where it doth de-serve. 'And
 let my shame, my shame go where it doth de-serve. go where it doth de-serve. 'And

pp *ppp* *mp*

rit. *slowly and uncertainly a tempo*

pp

mp

59

grandly (pompously)

f

know you not,' says Love, 'who bore the blame?' 'My dear, then I will
 know you not,' says Love, 'who bore the blame?' 'My dear, then I will
 know you not, says Love, 'who bore, who bore the blame?' 'My dear, then I will
 know you not,' says Love, 'who bore the blame?' 'My dear, then I will

f

grandly (pompously)

f

63 *a tempo* **p**

serve.' 'You must sit down', says Love, 'and taste my meat.' So
 serve.' 'You must sit down', says Love, 'and taste my meat.' So
 serve.' 'Sit down', says Love, 'and taste my meat.' So
 serve.' 'Sit down', says Love, 'and taste my meat.' So

a tempo **p**

I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.

66 **f**

I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.

ff rit.

I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.

ff

I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.

rit.

I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.
 I did sit and eat. So I did sit and eat.