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# Farewell to the Little Good

for mixed choir / vegyeskarra

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*Pad Zoltánnak és a Kodály Kórusnak ajánlva, sok szeretettel.*

## Farewell to the Little Good

(*The Famous History of the Life of King Henry the Eighth* ; III/2)

Adagio  $\text{♩} = 69$

*pp*

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Soprano      So fare-well      to the lit-tle      good you bear me. Fare -

Mezzo-Soprano      So fare-well      to the lit-tle      good you bear me.

Alto      So fare-well      to the lit-tle      good you bear me.

Tenor      So fare-well      to the lit-tle      good you bear me.

Baritone      So fare-well      to the lit-tle      good you bear me.

Bass      So fare-well      to the lit-tle      good you bear me.

5      - - well!      a long fare - well,      to all my great - ness, to -

Fare - - well!      Fare - - - well,      to all my great - - -

Fare - - well!      Fare - - - well!      Fare - - well!      Fare - well, to

Fare - - well!      Fare - - - well!      Fare - well, to all my -

Fare - - well!      Fare - - - well!

Fare - - - well!



Allegretto vivace  $\text{♩} = 108$

*mp*

10

all my great - - - ness! This is the state of man:  
 -ness, my great - - - - - ness!  
 all my great - - - ness, This is the state of man:  
 great - - - ness, my great - ness!  
 -well, to all my great - - - ness! This is the state of man:  
 -well, to all my great - - - ness! This is the state of man:

*mp*

...to - day, to - day he puts forth The  
 to - day he puts forth The  
 ...to - day, to - day he puts forth The  
 to - day...  
 to - day...

16

...leaves \_\_\_\_\_ of hopes; to - mor - - row

ten - der\_leaves of hopes; to - mor - - - - row

ten - - - - - der\_leaves of hopes; to - mor - - row

ten - der\_leaves of hopes; to - mor - - row

The ten - der\_leaves of hopes; to - mor - - row

...to - mor - - - - - row

18

blos - soms, blos - soms, And bears his blush - ing,

blos - soms, blos - soms, And bears his blush - ing

blos - soms, blos - soms, And bears his blush -

blos - soms, blos - soms, And bears his

blos - soms, blos - soms, And bears his

blos - soms, blos - soms, And bears his

20

and bears his blush-ing hon-ours, hon-ours, hon-ours thick up-  
his blush-ing hon-ours, hon-ours, hon-ours thick up-  
- ing, his blush-ing hon-ours, hon-ours, hon-ours thick up-  
blush-ing hon-ours, hon-ours, hon-ours thick up-  
blush-ing hon-ours, hon-ours, hon-ours thick up-  
blush-ing hon-ours, hon-ours, hon-ours thick up-

23

- on him; The third day comes a frost, a frost,  
- on him; The third day comes a frost, a frost,  
- on him; The third day comes a frost, a frost,  
- on him; The third day comes a frost, a frost,  
- on him; The third day comes, comes, comes...—  
- on him; The third day comes, comes, comes...—

27

a kill-ing\_ frost,  
the third day comes  
a frost, a frost,  
a frost, a frost,  
a frost, a frost,  
a frost, a frost,

30

— thinks, good eas - - - - y man,  
— thinks, good eas - - - - y man, full  
— thinks, good eas - - - - y man, full sure - - - -  
a kill-ing\_ frost... ...sure-ly, sure-ly, sure-ly, sure-  
a kill-ing\_ frost... ...sure-ly, sure-ly, sure-ly,  
a kill-ing\_ frost... ...sure-ly, sure-ly, sure-ly,

34

great-ness is a - rip - - - en - ing,

is a - rip - - - en - ing,

is a - rip - - - en - ing,

full sure - ly His great - - - ness is a - rip - - - en -

full sure - ly His great - - - ness is a - rip - - - en -

full sure - ly His great - - - ness is a - rip - - - en -

38 *pp*

nips his root, nips his root, nips his root, And then he falls,  
 nips his root, nips his root, nips his root, And then he falls,  
 nips his root, nips his root, nips his root, And then he falls,  
 - ing, — nips his root, And then he falls,  
 - ing, — nips his root, And then he falls,  
 - ing, — nips his root, And then he falls,

*poco rall.* -----

42 (*poco rall.*) ----- Andante  $\text{♩} = 84$

as I do. So fare - well to the lit - tle  
 as I do. So fare - well to the lit - tle  
 as I do. So fare - well to the lit - tle  
 as I do. So fare - well to the lit - tle  
 as I do. So fare - well to the lit - tle  
 as I do. So fare - well to the lit - tle

*mp*

46

good you bear me. Fare - - - well! a long fare - well,  
good you bear me. Fare - well! Fare - - - well, to  
good you bear me. Fare - well! Fare - - - well! Fare -  
good you bear me. Fare - well! Fare - - well!  
good you bear me. Fare - well! Fare - - well!  
good you bear me. Fare - well! Fare - - well!

51

to all my great - ness, to all my great - - - ness!  
all my great - - - ness, my great - - - ness!  
- well! Fare - well, to all my great - - - ness,  
Fare - well, to all my great - ness, my great - ness!  
Fare - - well, to all my great - - - ness!  
Fare - - well, to all my great - - - ness!

56 Allegretto vivace  $\text{♩} = 108$

I have ven - tured, Like lit-tle  
 I have ven - tured, Like lit-tle  
 I have ven - tured,  
 I have ven - tured, Like lit-tle  
 I have ven - tured, ...wan-ton boys...  
 I have ven - tured, ...wan-ton boys...

61

wan - - - - - ton boys that swim on blad - ders,  
 wan - ton boys that swim on blad - ders,  
 that swim on blad - ders,  
 wan - - - - ton boys that swim on blad - ders,  
 ...wan-ton boys... that swim on blad - ders,  
 ...wan-ton boys... that swim on blad - ders,

12

64

67

72

- - - yond my depth: my my high-blown pride,  
- - - yond my depth: my my high-blown pride,  
— be - yond my depth: my my high-blown pride,  
— be - yond my depth: my my high-blown pride,  
— be - yond my depth: my my high-blown pride,

74

my high-blown pride — ...at  
my high-blown pride — ...at  
my high-blown pride — At length broke un - der me...  
my high-blown pride — ...at  
my high-blown pride — At length broke un - der me...  
my high-blown pride —

77

length broke un-der me now has left me,  
length broke un-der me now has left me,  
length broke un - - - - der me...  
...un-der me...  
...un-der me...  
...un-der me...  
...un-der me...

81

now has left me, now has left me,  
now has left me, now has left me,  
now has left me, now has left me, now  
now has left me, now has left me, now

86

Wea - ry and old with ser - vice,  
...has left me... ...wea - ry and old with

Wea - ry and old with ser - vice,  
...has left me...

— has left me, Wea - ry and old with  
now has left me,

90

to the mer - cy Of a rude stream, ah!  
ser - - vice, rude stream, ah!

rude stream,

...to the mer - cy Of a rude stream, *mf*  
ser - - - - - vice... stream, that must for ev - er  
rude stream, that must

16  
94

ah! \_\_\_\_\_ ah! \_\_\_\_\_  
 ah! \_\_\_\_\_ ah! \_\_\_\_\_  
 that must for ev-er hide me,  
 that must for ev-er  
 8 that must for ev-er hide me, that must for ev-er  
 hide me, that must for ev-er hide me,  
 hide me, that must hide me,

97

...that must for ev-er hide me. Wea - ry and old with ser-vice,  
 ...that must for ev-er hide me. Wea - ry and old with ser-vice,  
 hide me. ah! Wea - ry and old with ser-vice,  
 8 hide me. ah! Wea - ry and old with ser-vice,  
 ah! ah! ah! Wea - ry and old with ser-vice,  
 ah! ah! ah! Wea - ry and old with ser - vice,

101 *rall.* *mf* Adagio  $\text{J}=69$

to the mer-cy Of a rude stream, that must for ev-er, e - ver  
*mf* to the mer-cy Of a rude stream, that must for ev-er, e - ver  
*mf* to the mer-cy Of a rude stream, that must for ev-er, e - ver  
*mf* to the mer-cy Of a rude stream, that must for ev-er, e - ver  
*mf* to the mer - - - cy stream... that must for ev - er  
*mf* to the mer - - - cy stream... that must for ev - er  
*mf* to the mer - - - cy stream... that must for ev - er

104 Moderato  $\text{J}=96$

hide me. So fare-well to the lit-tle  
*pp*  
*pp* hide me. So fare-well to the lit-tle  
*pp* hide me. So fare-well to the lit-tle

109

good you bear me. Fare - - well! a long fare - well,  
good you bear me. Fare - - well! Fare - - well, to  
good you bear me. Fare - - well! Fare - - well! Fare -  
good you bear me. Fare - - well! Fare - - well!  
good you bear me. Fare - - well! Fare - - well!  
good you bear me. Fare - - well! Fare - - well!

114

to all my great - ness, to all my great - - ness!  
all my great - - - ness, my great - - - - ness!  
- well! Fare - well, to all my great - - - ness,  
Fare - well, to all my great - ness, my great - ness!  
Fare - - well, to all my great - - - ness!  
Fare - - - well, to all my great - - - ness!

Allegro agitato ♩ = 144

123

4 2 4 2  
4 2 4 2  
4 2 4 2  
8 2 4 2

*p* > vain pomp and glo-ry \_\_\_\_ of this  
glo-ry \_\_\_\_ of this world, I hate ye,— *p* vain pomp and glo-ry \_\_\_\_ of this

127

vain pomp and glo-ry of this world, I hate ye,  
world, I hate ye,— vain pomp and glo-ry— of this world, I hate ye,—  
world, I hate ye,— vain pomp and glo-ry— of this world, I hate ye,—

131

vain pomp and  
vain pomp and glo-ry of this world, I hate ye, vain pomp and  
vain pomp and glo-ry of this world, I hate ye, vain pomp and  
vain pomp and glo-ry— of this world, I hate ye,— vain pomp and  
vain pomp and glo-ry— of this world, I hate ye,— vain pomp and  
vain pomp and glo-ry— of this world, I hate ye,— vain pomp and

135

vain pomp— and  
glo - ry of this world, I hate ye, vain pomp— and  
glo - ry of this world, I hate ye, vain pomp and  
glo - ry of this world, I hate ye, vain pomp and  
glo - ry— of this world, I hate ye,— vain pomp and  
glo - ry— of this world, I hate ye,— vain pomp and

138

ah!—  
glo - ry of this world, I hate ye, ah!—  
glo - ry of this world, I hate ye, vain pomp and  
glo - ry of this world, I hate ye, vain pomp and  
glo - ry of this world, I hate ye, vain pomp and  
glo - ry— of this world, I hate ye,— vain pomp and  
glo - ry— of this world, I hate ye,— vain pomp and  
glo - ry— of this world, I hate ye,— vain pomp and

141

I hate ye:— I feel my heart new  
glo-ry of this world, I hate ye:— I feel my heart new  
glo-ry of this world, I hate ye:— I feel my heart  
glo-ry of this world, I hate ye:— I feel my heart new  
glo-ry of this world, I hate ye:— I feel my heart  
glo-ry of this world, I hate ye:— I feel my heart

145

o-pen'd, ye:— I feel my heart new o-pen'd.  
o-pen'd, ye:— I feel my heart new o-pen'd.  
new— o - pen'd, I feel my heart new— o - pen'd,  
o-pen'd, ye:— I feel my heart new— o - pen'd.  
new— o - pen'd, I feel my heart new— o - pen'd,  
new— o - pen'd, I feel my heart new— o - pen'd,

157

*ff*

poor man that hangs on princ-es' fa - - - -

*ff*

Is that poor man that hangs on princ-es' fa - - - -

*ff*

wretched Is that poor man that hangs on princ-es' fa - - - -

*ff*

wretched Is that poor man that hangs on princ-es' fa - - - -

*ff*

that poor man that hangs on princ-es' fa - - - -

*ff*

poor man that hangs on princ-es' fa - - - -

*rall.*

162

vours! There is, be - - - twixt that smile we would as -

vours! There is, be - twixt that smile we would as -

vours! There is, be - - - twixt that smile we would as -

vours! There is, be - - - twixt that smile we would as -

vours! There is, be - twixt that smile we would as -

vours! That smile we would as -

Allegretto vivace  $\text{♩} = 108$ 

167

- pire to,

- pire to,

- pire to, as - pire to,

172

ah! \_\_\_\_\_  
ah! \_\_\_\_\_  
That sweet as-pect of princ-es, \_\_\_\_\_ and their ruin,  
That sweet as-pect of princ-es, \_\_\_\_\_ and their ruin,  
ah! \_\_\_\_\_ ah! \_\_\_\_\_ ah!  
ah! \_\_\_\_\_ ah! \_\_\_\_\_ ah!

175

ah! \_\_\_\_\_ More pangs and fears \_\_\_\_\_ than wars or wom - en  
ah! \_\_\_\_\_ More pangs and fears \_\_\_\_\_ than wars or wom-en  
More pangs and fears \_\_\_\_\_ than wars or wom-en  
ah! \_\_\_\_\_ More pangs and fears \_\_\_\_\_  
ah! \_\_\_\_\_ More pangs and fears \_\_\_\_\_  
ah! \_\_\_\_\_ More pangs and fears \_\_\_\_\_  
ah! \_\_\_\_\_ ah! \_\_\_\_\_ More pangs and fears \_\_\_\_\_  
ah! \_\_\_\_\_ ah! \_\_\_\_\_ More pangs and fears \_\_\_\_\_

*accel.*

179 Allegro agitato  $\text{♩} = 144$

have: ah!

have: ah!

have: ah!

than wars or wom - en have:

than wars or wom - en have:

than wars or wom - en have: And when he falls, he falls like

183

And when he falls, he falls like

Lu - ci-fer, Nev-er to hope a-gain. And when he falls, he falls like

186

4 5 7 4

4 5 7 4

4 5 7 4

4 5 7 4

*mp*

And when he falls, he falls like

Lu - ci-fer, Nev-er to hope a-gain. And when he falls, he falls like

*mp*

Lu - ci-fer, Nev-er to hope a-gain. And when he falls, he falls like

189

4 5 7 4

4 5 7 4

4 5 7 4

*mf*

Lu - ci - fer, Nev - - - er to hope a - gain.

*mf*

Lu - - - ci - fer, Nev - er to hope a - gain.

*mf*

Lu - - - ci - fer, Nev - er to hope a - gain.

191

7

4

4

4

4

*mf*

>

>

And when he falls, he falls like Lu - ci - fer, —

8

4

4

4

4

>

>

And when he falls, he falls like Lu - ci - fer, —

4

4

4

4

>

And when he falls, he falls like Lu - - ci-fer,

4

4

4

4

>

And when he falls, he falls like Lu - - ci-fer,

193

5

4

4

4

4

*f*

>

And when he falls, he falls like

4

4

4

4

*f*

Nev - er to hope a - gain. And when he falls, he falls like

4

4

4

4

*f*

>

Nev - er to hope a - gain. And when he falls, he falls like

4

4

4

4

*f*

Nev - er to hope a - gain. And when he falls, he falls like

4

4

4

4

*f*

>

Nev - er to hope a - gain. And when he falls, he falls like

195

Lu - - - ci - fer, Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
 Lu - ci - fer, Nev - - - er to hope a - gain.  
 Lu - ci - fer, Nev - - - er to hope a - gain.  
 Lu - - ci - fer, Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
 Lu - - ci - fer, Nev - er to hope a - gain.

197

ff  
 And when he falls, he falls like Lucifer,  
 And when he falls, he falls like Lucifer,

199

— Nev - er to hope a - gain. Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
— Nev - er to hope a - gain. Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
Nev - er to hope a - gain. Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
Nev - er to hope a - gain. Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
*fff*  
Nev - er to hope a - gain. Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
Nev - er to hope a - gain. Nev - er to hope a - gain.

Nev - er to hope a - gain. Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
Nev - er to hope a - gain. Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
Nev - er to hope a - gain. Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
Nev - er to hope a - gain. Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
*fff*  
Nev - er to hope a - gain. Nev - er to hope a - gain.  
Nev - er to hope a - gain.

204 *tutta forza*

rall.

So fare-well to the lit-tle good you bear me. Fare - - - well! a

*tutta forza*

So fare-well to the lit-tle good you bear me. Fare - well!

*tutta forza*

So fare-well to the lit-tle good you bear me. Fare - well!

*tutta forza*

So fare-well to the lit-tle good you bear me. Fare - well!

*tutta forza*

So fare-well to the lit-tle good you bear me. Fare - well!

*tutta forza*

So fare-well to the lit-tle good you bear me. Fare - well!

209 Allegretto vivace  $\text{♩} = 108$

long fare - well, to all my great - ness, to all my

Fare - - - well, to all my great - - - ness, my great - -

Fare - - - well! Fare - - well! Fare - well, to all my

Fare - - - well! Fare - well, to all my great - ness,

Fare - - - well!

Fare - - - well, to all my

Fare - - - well!

32

214 *rall.*..... **Moderato**  $\text{♩} = 96$  *rall.*..... **Andante**  $\text{♩} = 84$  *rall.*....

*mp* *p*

great - - - ness!  
Great - - - ness!  
Great - - - ness!  
- - - ness!  
Great - - - ness!  
Great - - - ness!  
great - - - ness,  
Great - - - ness!  
Great - - - ness!  
my great - ness!  
Great - - - ness!

220 *(rall.)*..... **Adagio**  $\text{♩} = 69$  *rall. molto*..... *al niente*

*pp*

To all my great - - - ness!  
al niente  
To all my great - - - ness!  
al niente  
To all my great - - - ness!  
al niente  
To all my great - - - ness!  
al niente  
To all my great - - - ness!  
al niente  
To all my great - - - ness!  
al niente  
To all my great - - - ness!

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