

THE HAMBIDGE SPIRITUALS

For Voice and Piano

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for solo voice and piano

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The Hambidge Spirituals was begun at The Hambidge Center for the Arts in Rabun Gap, Georgia. They were originally conceived for chorus. The solo voice version was arranged during a residency at Centrum at Fort Worden State Park in Port Townsend, Washington in May 2007.

The spirituals may be sung as a complete set or may be sung individually on concert programs.

The Hambidge Spirituals is dedicated to Frederick Kennedy with gratitude and admiration for the elegant, passionate, and beautiful way he sings this repertory.

I Want To Be Ready

Spiritual

arr. Bruce Trinkley

With joy ♩ = 144 *f*

Voice

I want _____ to be

Piano

ff *f*

read - y, _____ I want _____ to be read - y, _____ I want _____ to be

4

mf

read - y _____ to walk in Je - ru - sa - lem jus' like John. _____ John

8

dim. *mp*

mp *mf*

12 said the cit - y was jus' four - square. Walk in Je - ru - sa - lem jus' like John, An'

mp

16 he de - clared__ he'd meet me there. Walk in Je - ru - sa - lem jus' like John.

f a tempo

20 I want__ to be read - y,__

non rit. *a tempo*

I want__ to be read - y,__ I want__ to be read - y__ to

24

mf

walk in Je - ru - sa - lem jus' like John. _____ Oh John! Oh John!__ What

28

mp

mp *mf*

do you say? Walk in Je - ru - sa - lem jus' like John. That I'll be there in the

32

p *mp*

mp

com - in' day. Walk in Je - ru - sa - lem jus' like John.

36

p *cresc.*

f

I want ____ to be read - y, ____ I want ____ to be

40 *non rit.*

f *mf cresc.* *f dim.*

read - y, ____ I want ____ to be read - y ____ to walk in Je - ru - sa - lem

44 *mf*

Andante espressivo

allargando *mp*

jus' like John. When Pe - ter was preach-in' at Pen - te - cost,

48 *allargando*

mp *p*

quasi a tempo *p* *freely*

Walk in Je - ru - sa - lem jus' like John. He was en-dowed with the ho - ly ghost.

52 *quasi a tempo* *freely*

quasi a tempo
*cresc.**rit.****f*** **Tempo primo**

Walk in Je - ru - sa - lem

jus' like

John. _____

56

*quasi a tempo**rit.**cresc.****ff***

I want _____ to be

read - y, _____

I want _____ to be

read - y, _____

60

mp cresc. poco a poco

I want _____ to be

read - y _____ to

walk in Je - ru - sa - lem,

walk in Je - ru - sa - lem,

64

p*cresc. poco a poco**allargando****ff*** *ten.**ten.**a tempo*

walk in Je - ru - sa - lem

jus' like

John. _____

68

*allargando**ten.**ten.**a tempo****ff***

8va

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

Spiritual

arr. Bruce Trinkley

Quiet and intense ♩ = 104

Voice *pp sotto voce sempre legato*

I want Je - sus _____

Piano *mf* *p* *pp* *sempre legato*

con pedale

_____ to walk with me; _____ I want Je - sus _____ to walk with

me; _____ All a - long my _____ pil - grim jour - ney, _____

6 11

Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me. In my

16

mp

pp

mp

tri - als, Lord, walk with me; In my tri - als Lord, walk with

21

sonore

simile

me; When my heart is al - mos' break - ing,

27

cresc.

mf

dim.

Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

32

p

mf

When I'm in trou - ble, _____ Lord, walk with me; _____ When I'm in

37

*cresc.**f tutti*

trou - ble, _____ Lord, walk with me; _____ When my head is _____

42

*cresc.**f**dim.*

_____ bowed _____ in sor - row, _____ Lord, I want Je - sus _____ to walk with

47

*dim.**as soft as possible*

me. I want Je - sus _____ to walk with me; _____

52

*pp**ppp*

57 I want Je - sus _____ to walk _____ with me; _____ All a - long my _____

This system contains measures 57 through 62. The vocal line begins with a half rest in measure 57, followed by a melody in measures 58-62. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line in the left hand and chords in the right hand.

63 pil - grim jour - ney, _____ Lord, I want Je - sus _____ to walk with

This system contains measures 63 through 67. The vocal line continues the melody from the previous system. The piano accompaniment maintains the eighth-note bass line and provides harmonic support with chords.

me. _____ Lord, I want Je - sus _____ to walk with me. To

68

This system contains measures 68 through 72. The vocal line concludes the phrase with a half note in measure 72. The piano accompaniment features a more active right hand with eighth-note patterns in measures 68-70, followed by sustained chords in measures 71-72.

73 walk with me. _____

This system contains measures 73 through 77. The vocal line consists of a single half note in measure 73, followed by a half rest for the remainder of the system. The piano accompaniment features sustained chords in the right hand and a moving eighth-note bass line in the left hand.

3. My Soul's Been Anchored in the Lord

Spiritual

arr. Bruce Trinkley

Lively and rhythmic ♩ = 132

Voice

Piano

mf

sempre marcato, driving

ff

In the Lord, in the Lord, My

soul's been an - chored in the Lord. In the Lord, in the

5

8

mf

Lord, _____ My soul's been an - chored in the Lord. _____ Be -

11

dolce
mp

fore I'd stay in hell one day, _____ My soul's been an - chored in the

14

Lord. _____ I'd sing an' pray my - self a - way. _____ My

17

dim. poco a poco

soul's been an - chored in the Lord, O Lord,___ My soul's been an - chored in the

20

dim. poco a poco

p *rit.* *mf*

Lord, O Lord,___ My soul's been an - chored in the Lord._____ I'll

23

rit. *p* *mf*

Andante espressivo

p *mp*

shout an' pray an' nev - er stop,___ My soul's been an - chored in the Lord._____ Un -

26

p *mp*

quasi a tempo **pp** *poco a poco stringendo e cresc.*

til I reach the moun - tain - top. My soul's been an - chored in the

30 *quasi a tempo* **pp** *poco a poco stringendo e cresc.*

Lord, O Lord, My soul's been an - chored in the Lord, O Lord, My

33 **f**

rit. **ff** **Tempo primo**

soul's been an - chored in the Lord. In the Lord, in the

36 *rit.* **ff**

Lord, _____ My soul's been an - chored in the Lord, _____ In the

39

This system contains measures 37, 38, and 39. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by a quarter rest, then a half note A4, and continues with a melodic line. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern in the bass and chords in the treble.

Lord, _____ in the Lord, _____ My soul's been an - chored in the

42

This system contains measures 40, 41, and 42. The vocal line continues the melody from the previous system. The piano accompaniment maintains the eighth-note bass pattern and chordal accompaniment.

molto allargando

Lord. God knows my soul's been an - chored in the Lord! _____

45

molto allargando

This system contains measures 43, 44, and 45. The tempo marking *molto allargando* is present above the vocal line in measure 43 and below the piano line in measure 44. The vocal line concludes with a long note. The piano accompaniment features a final chordal progression with a fermata over the final chord.

4. Lord, I Want More Religion

Pennsylvania spiritual
collected by Samuel Bayard*

Bruce Trinkley

Voice *Largo espressivo* ♩ = 52 *mp*

I _____ want more re - li - gion, Lord, I

Piano *p*

con pedale

want more re - li - gion, Lord, I want more re - li - gion to help me un - to

5

pp sotto voce

God! I _____ want more re - li - gion, Lord, I want more re - li - gion, Lord, I

9

pp

mp

want more re-li - gion to help me un - to God! Re - li - gion makes me

14

p

mf

hap - py and then I want to go to leave this world of

18

mp

dim. *rit.* *mp* *mf a tempo*

sor - row and trou - ble here be - low. Let me walk more like Je - sus, let me

22

dim. *rit.* *mp* *mf* *a tempo* *simile*

f walk more like Je - sus, let me walk more like Je - sus to help me un - to God. I'm

dim. *mf*

f *dim.* *mf*

sonore *f*

con pedale *mf* *molto allarg.* *mp* *a tempo*

home, and I'll walk with Him a - bove. I want more re - li - gion, Lord, I

mf *molto allarg.* *mp* *a tempo*

want more re - li - gion, Lord, I want more re - li - gion to help me un - to

mf

God! Re - li - gion makes me hap - py ³ and then I want to

46

p

poco rit.

go to leave this world ³ of sor - row and trou - ble here be -

50

poco rit.

low. I want more re - li - gion, Lord, I want more re -

54

p

pp sotto voce

rit. e dim.

li - gion, Lord, I want more re - li - gion to help me un - to God!

58

pp

rit. e dim.

5. Trampin'

Spiritual

arr. Bruce Trinkley

Smoothly rhythmic $\text{♩} = 104-108$ *p*

Voice

I'm tramp - in', tramp - in',

Piano

mp *p* *pp*

sempre con pedale

tryin' to make heav-en my home. I'm tramp - in', tramp - in',

5

mp *p*

tryin' to make heav-en my home. Hal-le - lu-jah, I'm a - tramp - in', tramp - in',

9

tryin' to make heav-en my home. I'm tramp - in', tramp - in',

tryin' to make heav - en my home. I've nev - er been to heav - en, but

I've been told, Tryin' to make heav - en my home, that the

streets up there are paved with gold. Tryin' to make heav - en my

home, _____ tryin' to make heav-en my home. I'm

tramp - in', tramp - in', tryin' to make heav-en my home. _____ I'm

tramp - in', tramp - in', tryin' to make heav-en my home. Hal-le - lu-jah, I'm a -

tramp - in', tramp - in', tryin' to make heav-en my home. _____ I'm

f dim. rit. *a tempo* *mp warmly*

rit. *a tempo* *non rit.*

f dim. *mp*

26 30 34 38

mf

42 tramp - in', tramp - in', tryin' to make heav-en my home, _____ If

mf

46 you get there__ be - fore__ I do, tryin' to make heav-en my home, Tell

p

rit. *ten.* *a tempo*

50 all my friends__ I'm com - in' home, _____

mf *rit.* *ten.* *a tempo* *p cresc.*

mp cresc. *mf* *f* *poco allarg.*

53 tryin' to make heav - en my home, _____ I'm

poco allarg.

a tempo
sonore

23

tramp - in', tramp - in', tryin' to make heav-en my home. I'm

56

a tempo
sonore

tramp - in', tramp - in', tryin' to make heav-en my home. Hal-le - lu-jah, I'm a -

60

tramp - in', tramp - in', tryin' to make heav-en my home. I'm

64

molto allargando *ten.*

tramp - in', tramp - in', tryin' to make heav-en my home.

68

molto allargando *ten.*

6. Weary Traveler

Spiritual

arr. Bruce Trinkley

originally arranged for David Hudson, tenor, and Tony Leach, piano

Adagio espressivo $\text{♩} = 76$
p legato dolce

Voice

Let us cheer the wea - ry trav - el - er, _____

Piano

mp sonore
p
simile
con pedale

cheer the wea - ry trav - el - er. Let us cheer the wea - ry trav - el - er a -

mp

long the hea - ven - ly way. O let us cheer the wea - ry trav - el - er, _____

mp sempre legato

cheer the wea - ry trav - el - er. Let us cheer the wea - ry

13

trav - el - er a - long the hea - ven - ly way. I'll

16

mf

mf

take my gos - pel trum - - 3 - pet an' I'll be - gin — to

19

f

blow, an' if my sa - viour helps me I'll

22

f

dim. *p intensely*

blow wher - ev - er I go, an' bro - thers, — if you meet with

25

dim. *p intensely*

f

cross ³ - es, an' trials on — the way, just keep your trust in

28

f

mf warmly

Je - sus an' don't for - get — to pray. Let us

32

mf

This system contains measures 30, 31, and 32. The vocal line begins with a half note 'Je' and a quarter note 'sus' in measure 30, followed by a half note 'an'' and a quarter note 'don't' in measure 31, and then a half note 'for - get' and a quarter note 'to' in measure 32. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a similar pattern in the left hand. A crescendo hairpin is shown above the vocal line, and a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic marking is placed above the piano part in measure 32.

dim.

cheer the wea - ry trav - el - er, cheer the wea - ry

35

dim.

This system contains measures 33, 34, and 35. The vocal line continues with a half note 'cheer' and a quarter note 'the' in measure 33, a half note 'wea - ry' and a quarter note 'trav - el - er,' in measure 34, and a half note 'cheer' and a quarter note 'the' in measure 35. The piano accompaniment continues with the eighth-note pattern. A decrescendo hairpin is shown above the vocal line, and a *dim.* (diminuendo) marking is placed above the piano part in measure 35.

mp *dolce*

trav - el - er. Let us cheer the wea - ry trav - el - er a -

38

mp

This system contains measures 36, 37, and 38. The vocal line begins with a half note 'trav - el - er.' and a quarter note 'Let' in measure 36, a half note 'us' and a quarter note 'cheer' in measure 37, and a half note 'the' and a quarter note 'wea - ry' in measure 38. The piano accompaniment continues with the eighth-note pattern. A mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic marking is placed above the vocal line in measure 36, and a *dolce* (dolce) marking is placed above the vocal line in measure 37. A mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic marking is also placed above the piano part in measure 38.

long the hea - ven - ly way. O let us cheer the wea - ry

41

p *dolce*

trav - el - er, ——— cheer the wea - ry trav - el - er. Let us cheer the wea - ry

44

pp *sotto voce*

simile *pp*

trav - el - er a - long the hea - ven - ly way. ———

48

rit. *lunga*

rit. *lunga*

7. Wade in the Water

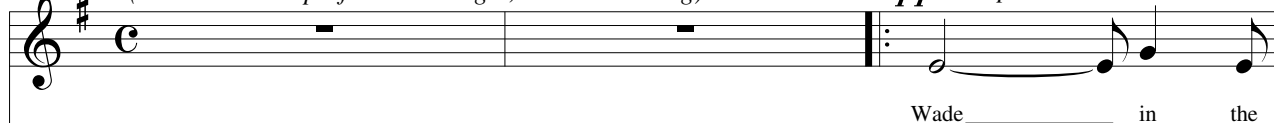
Spiritual

arr. Bruce Trinkley

Smooth and rhythmic ♩ = 116-120
(8th notes to be performed straight, not to be swung)

pp *sempre*

Voice



Piano



non cresc.

wa - ter, _____ wade _____ in the wa - ter, chil - dren,

4

simile

wade _____ in the wa - ter, _____ God's a gon-na trou-ble the wa - ter, _____

7

mp *p*

See that band all dressed in white God's a gon - na trou - ble the
 See that band all dressed in red. God's a gon - na trou - ble the

mp *p*

wa - ter. The lead - er looks like an Is - rael - ite.
 wa - ter. It looks like the band that Mo - ses led.

mp

p

God's a gon - na trou - ble the wa - ter. wa - ter.

ff *exuberantly, with abandon*

Wade in the wa - ter, wade in the

exuberantly

wa - ter, chil - dren, wade _____ in the wa - ter, _____

23

dim. God's a gon - na trou - ble the wa - ter. _____ *pp* Wade _____ in the

26

non cresc. wa - ter, _____ wade _____ in the wa - ter, chil - dren,

29

non rit. wade _____ in the wa - ter, _____ God's a gon-na trou-ble the wa - ter.

32

Soon I Will Be Done

Spiritual

arr. Bruce Trinkley

Andante con espressione ♩ = 84

Piano

mp

(swing all dotted eighth and sixteenth notes)

p non cresc.

Soon I will be done a-with the troub-les of the world, Troub-les of the world,____The troub-les of the world.

Soon I will be done a - with the troub - les of the world, Goin' home to live with God._____

No more weep - ing and a - wail - ing, No more weep - ing and a - wail - ing,

cresc. *mf*

No more weep - ing and a - wail - ing, I'm goin' to live with God.

cresc. *mf* *dim.*

mp

Soon I will be done a - with the troub - les of the world, Troub - les of the world, The

p

cresc. poco a poco

troub - les of the world. Soon I will be done a - with the troub - les of the world, Goin'

cresc. poco a poco

f

home to live with God. I want to meet my moth - er,

f

16 20 23 26

I want to meet my moth - er, I want to meet my moth - er, I'm

goin' to live with God. _____ Soon I will be done a - with the troub - les of the world,

Troub - les of the world, _____ The troub - les of the world. Soon I

will be home to live with God, _____

Measures 34-41 of a musical score in G major (one sharp). The score is for voice and piano. The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the left hand and chords in the right hand. The voice part has lyrics and melodic lines. Performance markings include accents (>), piano (p), crescendo (cresc.), mezzo-forte (mf), diminuendo (dim.), and ritardando (rit.). Measure numbers 30, 34, 38, and 41 are indicated in boxes.

Lento espressivo

35

p

44 I want to meet my Je - sus, I want to meet my Je - sus, I want to

pp

f *rit.* *ten.* *mp* *a tempo*

meet my Je - sus, I'm goin' to live with God.

49 *rit.* *ten.* *a tempo*

mf *mp*

52 Done with troub - les. Soon I

allarg.

will be done, goin' home to live with God.

55 *allarg.* *pp*

Ride On, King Jesus

Spiritual

arr. Bruce Trinkley

Allegro maestoso ♩ = 138

Piano

The musical score is written for piano and voice. The piano part consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C). The tempo is marked 'Allegro maestoso' with a quarter note equal to 138 beats per minute. The score is divided into three systems. The first system shows the piano introduction with a forte (ff) dynamic. The second system begins the vocal melody with a fortissimo (ff) dynamic, followed by a mezzo-forte (mf) section. The third system continues the vocal melody with a forte (f) dynamic, followed by a mezzo-piano (mp) section. The lyrics are written below the vocal staff, with some words underlined. Measure numbers 5 and 9 are indicated in boxes at the start of the second and third systems, respectively.

ff

Ride on, King Je - sus, No man can a - hin - der me,

mf

f

Ride on, King Je - sus, ride on, No man can a - hin - der me. I

mp

was but young when I be - gun, No man can a -
 Je - sus rides on a milk - white horse, No man can a -

13

hin - der me, But now my race is al - most done,
 hin - der me, The riv - er of Jor - dan he did cross,

16

No man can a - hin - der me. Ride on, King Je - sus,

19

mf *f*

No man can a - hin - der me, Ride on, King Je - sus, ride on,

23 *mf* *f*

Andante espressivo

1 *mf* 2 *rit. p*

No man can a - hin - der me. King hin - der me. If you want to find your

27 1 *mf* 2 *rit. p*

way to God, No man can a - hin - der me, The gos - pel high-way

31

accelerando ***f*** **Tempo primo**

must be trod, _____ No man _____ can a - hin - der me. _____ Ride on, King _____

35 *accelerando* ***f***

Je - sus, _____ No man can a - hin - der me, _____ Ride on, King _____

39

molto rit. ***ff*** *broadly*

Je - sus, ride _____ on, No man _____ can _____ a - hin - der me. _____

43 *molto rit.* ***ff*** *broadly*