

AND IT IS GOOD

For SATB Chorus and Keyboard

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Music by Bruce Trinkley

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*I traveled through a distant land
Where none there spoke my native tongue.
And all around
There came the sound
Of speech I could not understand --
But I knew that it was beautiful
And I knew that it made sense:
Ree-key-ree-cah, tee-pee-pee-pah, see-see-pa-pa
And though I could not understand,
I knew that speech was good.*

*I often walk into the woods
Where stream and breeze and birds all sing
Out Nature's song
Clear, loud and long.
And though I do not understand
Still I know that it is beautiful
And I know that it makes sense:
Oo-oo-oo-oh, Oo-oo-oo-oh, Oo-oo-oo-oh
[Like the sound of Nature]
And though I do not understand
I know that Nature's good.*

*And everyday, on every side,
Unseen by me God's angels guide.
And praise to God
Angelic lauds
Too pure for human hearts to bear.
But I know that they are beautiful
And I know the world makes sense.
Halleluia, halleluia, halleluia!
And though I don't yet understand
I know that God is good.*

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Largo con moto ♩ = 60

Keyboard

Sop. *mp solo or tutti*

I trav - eled through a dis - tant land Where none there spoke my na - tive tongue.

Sop. *mf*

And all a - round There came the sound Of speech I could not un - der - stand.

11 *mp tutti*

But I knew that it was beau - ti - ful. I knew that it made sense: _____

p

Oo

11

mp

p

Oo

14

Oo

mp

Oo

mp

Oo

mp

Oo

14

mp

17

And though I could not un - der - stand,

p

Oo

p

Oo

p

Oo

17

pff

p

19

mf

I knew that speech was good. _____ I knew that speech was good.

Oo

mf

dim.

I knew that speech was good. _____

Oo

19

p

22 *p* Sing

p Sing

mp I of - ten walk in - to the woods Where stream and breeze and birds all sing *cresc.*

mp I of - ten walk in - to the woods Where stream and breeze and birds all sing *cresc.*

22 *cresc.*

f *p* out na - ture's song, sing out na - ture's song, Clear, loud and long. And

cresc. *f* *p* out na - ture's song, sing out na - ture's song, Clear, loud and long. And

f *p* Out Na - ture's song Clear, loud and long. And

f *p* Out Na - ture's song Clear, loud and long. And

24 *mf cresc.* *f*

26

though I do not un-der-stand Still I know that it is beau - ti - ful.

though I do not un-der-stand Still I know that it is beau - ti - ful.

though I do not un-der-stand I know that it is

though I do not un-der-stand I know that it is

26

p

29

I know that it makes sense: Oh

I know that it makes sense: Oh

beau - ti - ful. I know that it makes sense: Oh

beau - ti - ful. I know that it makes sense: Oh

29

pp

ppp

29

29

pp

ppp

32 *f*

Ah

Ah

Ah

32 *f*

ritenuto

mp

Rubato ed espressivo

35 *mp cresc.*

And though I do not un - der - stand I know that Na - ture's good.

mp cresc.

And though I do not un - der - stand I know that Na - ture's good.

mp cresc.

And though I do not un - der - stand I know that Na - ture, I know that Na - ture's

mp cresc.

And though I do not un - der - stand I know that Na - ture's good.

35

37 *rit. e dim.* *a tempo* *mp*

I know that Na - ture's good. And ev'-ry-day, on ev'-ry side,

I know that Na - ture, Na-ture is good. And ev'-ry-day, on ev'-ry side,

good, Na-ture is good. And ev'-ry-day, on ev' - ry

I know that Na - ture's good. And ev'-ry-day, on ev'-ry side,

37 *rit. e dim.* *a tempo* *p* *mp*

40 *cresc.* *f*

Un - seen by me God's an - gels guide. And praise to God An - gel - ic lauds

Un - seen by me God's an - gels guide. And praise to God An - gel lauds

side, Un - seen by me an - gels guide. And praise to God An - gel lauds

Un - seen by me God's an - gels guide. An - gel - ic lauds

40 *cresc.* *f*

42 *sub. p* Too pure for hu - man hearts to bear. _____ *mp* I know that they are beau - ti - fu.l

sub. p Too pure for hu - man hearts to bear. _____ *mp* I know that they are beau - ti - fu.l

sub. p Too pure for hu - man hearts to bear. _____ *mp* I know that they are beau - ti - fu.l

sub. p Too pure for hu - man hearts to bear. _____ *mp* I know they're beau - ti - ful.

42 *sub. p* *mp*

44 *cresc.* *f* I know the world makes sense. _____ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

cresc. *f* I know the world makes sense. _____ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

cresc. *f* I know the world makes sense. _____ Al - le - lu - ia,

cresc. *f*

44 *cresc.* *f*

46

ff

al - le - lu - ia! _____ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu -

ff

al - le - lu - ia! _____ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

ff

al - le - lu - ia, _____ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

ff

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu -

46

ff

49

ia! _____ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

p

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Oo _____

p

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Oo _____

p

ia! _____ al - le - lu - ia! Oo _____

49

mp

52 *mp* And though I don't yet un - der - stand *mf* I know that God is good.

cresc.

cresc. *mf* I know that God is

52 *cresc.*

54 *f* I know that God is good.

f I know that God is good.

f good. God is good.

f I know that God is good.

54 *f*