

Bow Down Your Ear, O Lord

SATB unaccompanied (some divisi)

Jonathan David

Bow down Your ear, O Lord, hear me;
For I am poor and needy.
Preserve my life, for I am holy;
You are my God;
Save Your servant who trusts in You!
Be merciful to me, O Lord,
For I cry to You all day long.
Rejoice the soul of Your servant,
For to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
For You, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive,
And abundant in mercy to all those who call upon You.
--Psalm 86 (NKJV), Vv. 1-5

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For the Duke Vespers Ensemble, Music Director, Brian Schmidt
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Psalm 86 (NKJV)
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Larghetto; pleading ♩ = 60

Soprano: Bow down Your ear,
Alto: Bow down Your ear,
Tenor: *pp* Bow down, bow down, bow down Your ear,
Bass: *pp* Bow down, bow down, bow down Your ear,
**Stagger breaths throughout*

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S: bow down Your ear, O Lord, O Lord,
A: bow down Your ear, O Lord, O Lord,
T: bow down Your ear, O Lord, O Lord,
B: bow down Your ear, O Lord, O Lord, bow

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15 *mp* *mf* *mp* < *mf*

S bow down Your ear, bow down Your ear, O Lord, O Lord,

A bow down Your ear, bow down Your ear, O Lord, O Lord,

T bow down Your ear, bow down Your ear, O Lord, O Lord,

B down Your ear, bow down Your ear, O Lord, O Lord,

22 *sub p* *mp* *mp*

S hear me; For I am poor and nee - dy.

A hear me, hear me; For I am poor and nee - dy.

T hear me, hear me; Lord, For I am poor and nee - dy.

B hear me, hear me; Lord, O

29 *mf* > *mp* < *mf* > *mp* <

S Pre-serve my life, for I am ho - ly; You are my God;

A Pre-serve my life, for I am ho - ly; You are my God;

T Pre-serve my life, for I am ho - ly; You are my God;

B Lord, Lord, You are my God;

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35 *mf* *p* Div. *p*

S Save Your ser- vant who trusts in You! Be mer- ci- ful, be

A Save Your ser- vant who trusts in You! Be mer- ci- ful, be

T Save Your ser- vant who trusts in You!

B Save Your ser- vant who trusts in You!

mf *pp* *pp*

39 *mp* *p* *mf*

S mer- ci- ful to me, O Lord, O Lord, For I cry to You all day

A mer- ci- ful to me, O Lord, O Lord, For I cry to You all day

T

B

mp *p* *mf*

44 *f* *ff*

S long. Re- jice the soul of Your ser- vant, re- jice the soul of Your

A long. Re- jice the soul of Your ser- vant, re- jice the soul of Your

T Re- jice the soul of Your ser- vant, re- jice the soul of Your

B Div. *mf* *f* *ff*

Re- jice the soul of Your ser- vant, re- jice the soul of Your

mf *f* *ff*

48 *mf* *f* (♩ = 56)

S ser - vant, For to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

A ser - vant, For to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

T ser - vant, For to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

B ser - vant, For to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

Poco meno mosso ♩ = 56

54 *Unis. p*

S For — You, Lord, — for You, Lord are good, and rea-dy to for-

A *p* For You, Lord, — for You, Lord are good, and rea-dy to for-

T *p* For You, Lord, — for You, Lord are good, and rea-dy to for-

B *Unis. p* Lord, — O Lord — O Lord, —

61 *poco rit.* *mf* *p* *a tempo* *mp* *rit.*

S give, And a - bun-dant in mer - cy, mer - cy to all those who call u -

A give, And a - bun-dant in mer - cy, mer - cy to all those who call u -

T give, And a - bun-dant in mer - cy, mer - cy to all those who call u -

B — And a - bun - dant in mer - cy, mer - cy to all those who call u -

67 *a tempo* *p* *pp* *pp* *ppp* *pp* *ppp*

S pon You. O Lord.

A pon You. O Lord.

T pon You. O Lord, O Lord, O Lord.

B pon You. O Lord, O Lord.

Duration: approx. 4'00"

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