

Based on 2 Samuel 18:33

When David heard

'To Mr. Thomas Myriell'

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Tenor 1
(Medius)

When Da - vid heard that Ab - so - lon was

Tenor 2
(Contratenor
Primus)

When Da - vid heard that Ab - so - lon was

Tenor 3
(Contratenor
Secundus)

When Da - vid heard that Ab - so - lon was slain,

Bass 1
(Tenor)

When Da - vid heard that Ab - so - lon was

Bass 2
(Bassus)

From *Songs of 3. 4. 5. & 6. Parts* (London, 1622). Source edition by John Morehen (Oxford University Press, 1978).
Transposed down a minor sixth, a minor third lower than as it appears in *Musica Deo sacra* (London, 1668).
Horizontal brackets denote editorial rhythmic triple groupings, not ligatures.

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T1
slain, that Ab - so - lon was slain he went

T2
slain, that Ab - so - lon, Ab - so - lon was slain he went

T3
that Ab - so - lon was slain, was slain

B1
slain, that Ab - so - lon was slain, was slain he went

B2

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T1 up to his cham - ber ov - er the gate, the__

T2 up to his cham - ber, he went up to his cham - ber ov - er the gate, the__

T3 he went up to his cham - ber ov - er the gate, the

B1 up to his cham - ber ov - er the gate, and

B2 He went up to his cham - ber ov - er the

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T1 gate, and wept, and wept, and__ wept: and

T2 gate, and wept, and wept, and__ wept: and

T3 gate, and wept, and wept, and wept, and__ wept: and thus he

B1 wept, and wept, and wept, and__ wept: and

B2 gate, and wept, and wept, and wept: and

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T1 son, Ab - so - lon my son, Ab - so - lon my

T2 son, Ab - so - lon my son, O my

T3 son, Ab - so - lon my son, my son,

B1 son, Ab - so - lon my son, my

B2 son,

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T1 son, Ab - so - lon my son, my son, Ab -

T2 son, my son, Ab - so - lon my son,

T3 O Ab - so - lon my son, O my son, Ab - so - lon

B1 son, Ab - so - lon my son, my son,

B2 Ab - so - lon my son, Ab - so - lon,

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T1
son, O Ab - so - lon my son,

T2
Ab - so - lon my son, Ab - so - lon my

T3
O Ab - so - lon my son, Ab - so - lon my

B1
O my son, O Ab - so - lon my

B2
so - lon, Ab - so - lon my son, my son,

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T1
Would God I had

T2
son, Would God I had died for thee, for thee,

T3
son, my son, Would God I had

B1
son, Would God I had died for thee,

B2
O my son, my son,

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T1
died for thee, for thee, would God I had died, I had

T2
would God I had died, died for thee,

T3
died for thee, would God I had died for

B1
for thee, would God I had died for

B2
Would God I had died, I had died for thee, would

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T1
died for thee,

T2
would God I had died for thee, for thee, Ab - so - lon

T3
thee, for thee, Ab - so - lon my

B1
thee, would God I had died for thee, Ab - so -

B2
God I had died for thee, Ab - so - lon, my

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T1
8 Ab - so - lon my son, my son, Ab -

T2
8 my son, my son, O Ab - - - so -

T3
8 son, Ab - so - lon my son, my

B1
8 lon, Ab - so - lon my son, O Ab - so - lon my

B2
8 son, my son, O my son,

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T1
8 - so - lon my son, O Ab - so -

T2
8 lon, Ab - so - lon, Ab - so - lon my

T3
8 son, Ab - - so - lon my son, O

B1
8 son, my son, Ab - so - lon my son,

B2
8 Ab - so - lon my son, my

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T1
lon my son, O my son, Ab - so -

T2
son, O Ab - so - lon my son, O

T3
Ab - so - lon my son, O

B1
O Ab - so - lon my son, O Ab - so - lon my

B2
son,

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T1
lon my son.

T2
Ab - so - lon, Ab - so - lon my son.

T3
Ab - so - lon my son.

B1
son, my son.

B2
O Ab - so - lon my son.