

Busy Not Thyself

version 1

text adapted from the Baha'i writings
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♩ = 120

Espressivo

Prano *mp* **A** *mp*
O SON OF BE-ING! O SON OF BE-ING! Bu - sy not thy - self with this

Alto *p* *mp*
oo oo Bu - sy not thy - self with this

Tenor *p*
oo oo

Bass *p* *mp*
oo oo Bu - sy not thy - self with this

Piano for rehearsal only *p* *mp*

S world, Bu - sy not thy - self with this world,

A world, Bu - sy not thy - self with this world,

T *mp*
8 Bu - sy not thy - self with this - world, Bu - sy not thy - self with this

B world, this world, thy - self with this world, this

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S Bu - sy not thy - self with this world, for with fire we test the gold, and with

A Bu - sy not thy - self with this world, for with fire we test the gold, and with

T world, thy - self with this world, for with fire We test the gold, and with

B world, thy - self with this world, for with fire We test the gold, and with

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f *mp*

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S gold We test Our ser-vants, with gold. Our ser - vants. O SON OF BE - ING!

A gold We test Our ser-vants, with gold. Our ser - vants. O SON OF BE - ING!

T gold We test Our ser-vants. We test Our ser-vants, Our ser - vants.

B gold We test Our ser-vants. We test Our ser-vants, Our ser - vants.

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p *rit.*

26 *a tempo* *n* *staggered breathing*

S Clean the dust and dross _____ from _____ thy

A *n* *staggered breathing*
Clean _____ the dust _____ and

T *mp*
Clean the dust and dross from thy heart, _____

B *mp*
Clean the dust and dross from thy heart, _____ Clean the dust and dross from thy

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S heart, _____ Clean the dust and dross from thy heart, _____

A dross from thy heart, _____ Clean the dust and dross from thy heart, _____

T *mp*
Clean the dust and dross from thy heart, _____ and dross from thy heart, _____

B heart, _____ Clean the dust and dross from thy heart, _____

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37 *f* *mp* *p*

S that the flame of faith may burn and thy veils be rent a - sun - der,

A that the flame of faith may burn and thy veils be rent a - sun - der, a -

T 8 that the flame of faith may burn and thy veils be rent a - sun - der, a -

B that the flame of faith may burn and thy veils be rent a - sun - der, a -

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42 O SON OF BE - ING! C =

S sun - der.

A sun - der. *p*

T 8 sun - der. *n* *mp* Out of the mire of

B sun - der. *n*

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48 *mp*

S Out of the mire of self and pas-sion, a - rise, a -

A Out of the mire of self and pas-sion, a - rise, a -

T self and pas-sion, a - rise. Out of the mire of self and pas-sion, a -

B Out of the mire of self and pas-sion, a -

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53 *mf* *poco rit.* *a tempo* *mp*

S rise. A - ban-don thy tem-ple of clay and as you hold on - to the

A ise. A - ban - don, a - ban-don thy tem-ple of clay, hold

T rise. A - ban - don, a - ban-don thy tem-ple of clay, hold

B rise. A - ban - don, a - ban-don thy tem-ple of clay, hold

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poco riten. *a tempo*
58 *poco soto voce* (9)

S
hem of the robe of the All - Mer - ci - ful as - cend un - to the New Je - ru - sa -

A
on - to the hem of the robe of - the All - Mer - ci - ful as - cend un - to the New Je - ru - sa -

T
8 on - to the hem of the robe of the All - Mer - ci - ful as - cend un - to the New Je - ru - sa -

B
on - to the hem of the robe of the All - Mer - ci - ful as - cend un - to the New Je - ru - sa -

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63 *f* *mf* *f* *D* *f*

S
lem, as - cend un - to the new - Je - ru - sa - - - - lem. Turn thy gaze un -

A
lem, Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be -

T
8 lem, as - cend un - to the new Je - ru - sa - - - - lem. Turn thy
Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be -

B
lem, Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be -

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69 *mp*

S to thy Be - lov - ed. Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be - lov - ved.

A lov - ed. *mp* Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be - lov - - - - - ved.

T gaze - un - to thy Be - lov - ed. Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be - lov - - - - - ved.
lov - ed. Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be - lov - ved.

B lov - ed. *mp* Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be - lov - ved.

Pno. *mp*

75 *mf* *ff*

S Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be - lov - - - - ed that the light of truth may lead you un -

A Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be - lov ed that the light of truth may lead you un -

T Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be - lov - - - - ed that the light of truth may lead you un -

B Turn thy gaze un - to thy Be - lov - - - - ed that the light of truth may lead you un -

Pno. *mf* *ff*

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81 *mp* *rit.* *mp* *freely*

S to the meads of heav - - - - - en. un - to the meads of

A to the meads of heav - - - - - en. *mp*

T to the meads of heav - - - - - en. *mp*

B to the meads of heav - - - - - en. *mp*

Pno. *mp* *mp*

(a few sopranos)

88 *p* *f* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p*

S heav - en. Glo - ri - fied art Thou, O my God!

A un - to the meads of heav - en. Glo - ri - fied art Thou, O my God!

T un - to the meads of heav - en. Glo - ri - fied art Thou, O my God!

B un - to the meads of heav - en. O my God!

Pno. *p* *f* *p*

* One or two sopranos on the Bb