

Most Glorious Lord of Life

Edmund Spenser (1552-99)
Sonnet LXVIII, Amoretti and Epithalaminon, 1595.

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mf

SOPRANO
Most glo-rious Lord of life, that on this day didst make thy tri - umph

mf

ALTO
Most_ glo-rious Lord of life, that on this day, didst make thy tri - umph

mf

TENOR
Most glo-rious Lord of_ life,_ that on this day, didst make thy tri - umph

mf

BASS
Most glo-rious Lord of_ life,_ that on this day, didst make thy tri - umph

Piano (Rehearsal only)

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mf

S.
o - ver-death and sin. And hav-ing har - row'd, and hav-ing har-row'd hell didst

mf

A.
o - ver death and sin. And hav-ing har - row'd, and hav-ing har-row'd hell didst

mf

T.
o - ver death and sin. And hav-ing har-row'd hell, har-row'd hell didst

mf

B.
o - ver death and sin. And hav-ing har-row'd hell har-row'd hell, didst

Pno.

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S. *mp*
bring a-way cap - tiv - i - ty — thence cap - tive us to win. This joy - ous day, dear Lord with

A. *mp*
bring a-way cap - ti - vi - ty thence cap - tive us to win. This joy - ous day, dear Lord with

T. *mp*
bring a-way cap - ti - vi - ty thence cap - tive us to win. This joy - ous day, dear Lord with

B. *mp*
bring a-way cap - ti - vi - ty thence cap - tive us to win. This joy - ous day, dear Lord with

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S. Joy be - gin. And grant that we may for whom Thou did - est

A. Joy be - gin. And grant that we for — whom Thou did - est

T. Joy — be - gin. — And grant that we — may for whom Thou did - est

B. Joy be - gin. And grant that we for — whom Thou did - est

Pno.

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S. *f* love, with love may one a - no - ther en - ter - tain.

A. *f* love, with love may one a - no - ther en - ter - tain.

T. *f* love, with love may one a - no - ther en - ter - tain.

B. *f* love, with love may one a - no - ther en - ter - tain.

Pno.

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Meno mosso *mp* *poco cresc.* **poco rall.**

S. *mp* So let us love dear Lord like as we ought:

A. *mp* So let us love dear Lord like as we ought:

T. *mp* So let us love dear Lord like as we ought:

B. *mp* So let us love dear Lord like as we ought:

Meno mosso **poco rall.**

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48 *mp*

S. Love is the les - son which the Lord us taught. *p*

A. Love is the les - son which the Lord us taught. *p*

T. Love is the les - son which the Lord us taught. *p*

B. Love is the les - son which the Lord us taught. *p*

Pno.

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Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day
 Didst make Thy triumph over death and sin,
 And having harrowed hell, didst bring away
 Captivity thence captive, us to win.

This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin,
 And grant that we may for whom Thou didst die,
 Being with Thy dear blood clean washed from sin,
 May live forever in felicity.

And that Thy love we weighing worthily,
 May likewise love Thee for the same again;
 And for Thy sake, that all like dear didst buy,
 With love may one another entertain.

So let us love, dear Love, like as we ought;
 Love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.

Edmund Spenser