

Let me know my sinful failings

Psalm 39

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The musical score is written for four voices: Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). It is in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The score is divided into systems, with measure numbers 5, 9, 11, 13, and 15 marking the beginning of new sections. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with some words hyphenated across lines. The dynamics are marked as *mf* (mezzo-forte) and *mp* (mezzo-piano).

S.
A. *mf* Come, de-liv-er me from e-vil And the fool-ish-ness of men;
T.
B. Come, de-liv-er me from e-vil And the fool-ish-ness of men;

5
Save me, Lord, from my trans-gres-sion, And the fol-ly of my sin.
Save me, Lord, from my trans-gres-sion, And the fol-ly of my sin.

9
mp Let me know my sin-ful fail-ings, Let my tongue from sin re-frain;
Let me know my sin-ful fail-ings, Let my tongue from sin re-frain;

11
Set a seal u-pon my speak-ing And my wick-ed-ness re-strain.
Set a seal u-pon my speak-ing And my wick-ed-ness re-strain.

13
All a-lone in grief and si-lence Ques-tions burned like fire with-in;
All a-lone in grief and si-lence Ques-tions burned like fire with-in;

15
Then I called to you in an-guish, "Let me know my lat-ter end!"
Then I called to you in an-guish, "Let me know my lat-ter end!"

17

Let me know the time al - lott - ed And the num - ber of my days;

Come, de - liv - er me from e - vil

19

You have made us like a sha - dow, Like a breath we pass a - way."

And the fool - ish - ness of men;

21

Sure - ly all our days are fleet - ing, In our striv - ing is no gain;

Save me, Lord, from my trans - gres - sion,

23

Sure - ly all our wealth is pas - sing And we gath - er it in vain.

And the fol - ly of my sin.

25

Come, de - liv - er me from e - vil

Take, O Lord, my sick - ness from me, Lest I lay in dust of death;

27

And the fool - ish - ness of men;

Lest you dis - ci - pline the sin - ner, For our days are like a breath!

29

Save me, Lord, from my trans - ges - sion,
Hear my prayer and be at - ten - tive, Or I so - journ here in vain;

31

And the fol - ly of my sin.
Hear the lan - guage of my weep - ing, Hear, and let me smile a - gain!

33

f Come, de - liv - er me *mp* from e - vil
Come, de - liv - er me from e - vil

35

f And the fool - ish - ness *mp* of men;
And the fool - ish - ness of men;

37

mf Save me, Lord, from my trans - ges - sion, And the fol - ly
mp Save me, Lord, from my trans - ges - sion, And the fol - ly

40

1. of my sin. 2. of my sin.
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