

# A Better Resurrection

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Mournfully  $\text{♩} = 72$

The musical score is written for Soprano (Sop.) and Piano (Pno.). It begins with a piano introduction in 4/4 time, marked 'Mournfully' with a tempo of quarter note = 72. The piano part features a series of chords in the right hand and a single bass note in the left hand, with dynamics ranging from *pp* to *p*. The vocal line starts at measure 7 with the lyrics: 'I have no wit, no words, no tears; my heart with-in me like a stone is numb'd too much for hopes or fears; Look right, look left, I dwell a-lone; I lift mine eyes, but dimm'd with grief no ev-er-last-ing'. The piano accompaniment supports the vocal line with chords and arpeggiated figures, with dynamics including *mf*, *p*, and *mp*. Measure numbers 7, 12, and 17 are indicated. A large red watermark 'PREVIEW SCORE!' is overlaid on the score.

*pedal as needed*

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20

Sop. hills I see; My life is in the fall - ing leaf: O Je - sus, — quick - en

Pno. *p*

24

Sop. me. My life is

Pno. *f*

28 Slightly faster ♩ = 80

Sop. like a fad - ed leaf, My har - vest dwin - dled to a

Pno. *mp* churning along, almost floating

31

Sop. husk: Tru - ly my life is void and brief and

Pno.

34

Sop. te - di - ous in the bar - ren dusk; My life is like a fro - zen

Pno. *p* *mp*

37

Sop. thing, no bud nor green - ness can I see: yet

Pno.

40

Sop. rise it shall the sap of Spring; O Je - sus, rise in me.

Pno. *rit.* *a tempo* *f*

44

Sop. *ff* O Je - sus, rise in me. a - rise in me.

Pno.

51

Sop.

Pno.

55

Sop.

Pno.

Sop.

Pno.

61

Sop.

Pno.

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65

Sop. drop of wat - er for my soul or cor - dial in the search - ing cold;

Pno. *p*

69 *mf*

Sop. Cast in the fire the per - ish'd thing; melt and re - mould it till it be a

Pno. *p*

73 *rit.* *f* *mp* *f*

Sop. roy - al cup for Him, my King: O Je - sus, O Je - sus,

Pno. *p*

79 *a tempo*

Sop. drink of me.

Pno. *f* *p* *mp* *p* *pp* *ppp* *8va*