

Jonah

Part I

THE BOOK OF JONAH
KING JAMES VERSION

EDWARD NESBIT

1a – Recitative
Tempo rubato ♩ = 56

p

Mezzo-Soprano

Now the word of the Lord came un - to Jo - nah the son of A - mit - tai, say - ing,

Piano

1b – Aria
Solenne ♩ = 72

4

p

'A - rise, go to Ni - ne - veh, that great ci - ty, and

p

con poco ped.

9

rit.
mp *p*

cry a - gainst it: for their wic - ked - ness is come up be - fore me.'

mp

2a – Recitative
Scherzando ♩ = 92

p

But Jo-nah rose up to flee un-to Tar-shish from the pre-sence of the Lord, and went down to Jop-pa; and he found a ship go-ing to

p

senza ped.

Tar-shish: so he paid the fare there-of, and went down in-to it, to go with them un-to Tar-shish from the pre-sence of the Lord. But

the Lord sent out a great wind in - to the sea, and there was a migh - ty tem-pest in the sea, so that the ship was like to be bro-ken.

sfz *p*

Then the ma-ri-ners were a - fraid, and cried ev-ery man un-to his god, and cast forth the wares that were in the ship in - to the sea, to

mf *p*

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light-en it of them. But Jo-nah was gone down in - to the sides of the ship, and he lay, and was fast a-sleep. So the ship-mas-ter

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2b - Aria

came to him, and said un - to him, 'What mean - est thou, O sleep - er? a -

12

rise, call up - on thy God, if so be that God will think up - on us, that we pe - rish not.'

3a - Recitative
Scorrevole ♩ = 152

3b - Chorus

And they said ev - ery one to his fel - low, 'Come, and let us

quasi senza ped.

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cast lots, that we may know for whose cause this e - vil is up - on us.'

7 **3c - Recitative**

p *mp* *p*

So they cast lots, and the lot fell up-on Jo - nah. Then said they un - to him,

10 **3d - Chorus**

f

'Tell us, we pray thee, for whose cause this e - vil is up - on us: What

13

molto f

sfz *f* *sfz* *sfz*

is thy oc - cu - pa - tion? and whence com - est thou? What is thy coun - try? and of what peo - ple art thou?'

4a – Recitative
Tempo rubato ♩ = 42

4b – Aria
Calmato ♩ = 84

p *3* (*♩ = ♩ sempre*)

And he said un-to them, 'I am a He-brew, and I fear the Lord the God of

p

con poco ped.

4c – Recitative
Tempo rubato ♩ = 42

mp *p* *3*

hea-ven, which hath made the sea and the dry land.' Then were the men ex-ceed-ing-ly af-raid, and said un-to him,

mp *p*

4d – Chorus
Calmato ♩ = 84

4e – Recitative
Tempo giusto ♩ = 42

mp

'Why hast thou done this?' For the men knew that he fled from the pre-sence of the

mp *3*

4f – Chorus
Calmato ♩ = 84

f *p* *3*

Lord, be-cause he had told them. Then said they un-to him, 'What shall we do un-

f sfz *p*