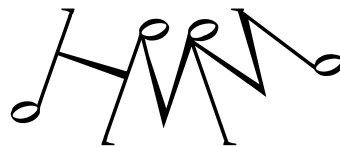


Blest Zion, I Love Thee

~ for SATB choir, a cappella ~

"Blest Zion" Shaker Hymn

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Shaker Hymn from West Gloucester

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Happy but not too fast (♩ = 76)

Soprano / Alto
mf Blest — Zi - on, I love thee, thou

Tenor / Bass

4
beau - ti - ful ci - ty, home, my sweet home, with the

8
pure — and the just; a - way, far - a - way from —

12
tur-moil and con - fu - sion, from sor - rows of earth, where my

16
soul finds — rest. Earth hath no treas - ures,

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20

sin hath no pleas - ures I would ex - change for that

24

peace which I feel; a con - science un - spot - ted, with

28

con - fi - dence bless - ed, an - gels_ my guard, and the

32

Lord's will my seal.

mp Bless - ed Zi - on, bless - ed

37

mf Blest_ Zi - on, I love thee, thou beau - ti - ful

Zi - on, bless - ed Zi - on, bless - ed

4
41

ci - ty, home, my sweet home, with the pure— and the
Zi - on, bless - ed Zi - on, bless - ed

just; a - way, far— a - way from—
Zi - - - on, ——— bless - ed Zi - on,

tur-moil and con - fu - sion, from sor - rows of earth, where my
bless - ed Zi - - - on, ——— bless - ed

soul finds— rest. Earth hath no treas - ures,
Zi - - on, ——— bless - ed Zi - on, bless - ed

sin hath no pleas - ures I would ex - change for that
Zi - on, bless - ed Zi - on, bless - ed

62

peace which I feel; A conscience un -

Zi - - - on, _____ bless - ed Zi - on,

66

spot - ted, with con - fi - dence bless - ed, an - gels_ my

bless - ed Zi - on, bless - ed Zi - on,

70

guard, and the Lord's will my seal.

bless - ed Zi - on, bless - - - ed _____

74

mp Bless - ed _____ Zi - on,

Zi - on. _____ *mf* Blest! _____ Blest _____

80

bless - - - ed _____ Zi - - - on, _____

Zi - on, I love thee, thou beau - ti - ful ci - ty,

6
84

bless - - ed Zi - - - on,

home, my sweet home, with the pure and the just; a -

88

oh bless - - - ed Zi - - -

way, far - a - way from tur-moil and con - fu - sion, from

92

on, bless - - - ed Zi - on.

sor - rows of earth, where my soul finds rest.

96 *mf*

Earth hath no treas - ures,

Earth hath no treas - ures, sin hath no pleas - ures

100

sin hath no pleas - ures I would ex - change for that

I would ex - change for that peace which I feel; a

104

peace which I feel; a conscience un - spot - ted, with
con - science un - spot - ted, with con - fi-dence bless - ed,

108

con - fi-dence bless - ed, an - gels my guard, and the
an - gels my guard, and the Lord's will my seal,

112

Lord's will my seal; an - gels my guard,
my seal; an - gels my guard,

119

and the Lord's will my seal.
and the Lord's will my seal.

Blest Zion, I Love Thee

Blest Zion, I love thee, thou beautiful city...
Home, my sweet home, with the pure and the just;
Away, far away from turmoil and confusion —
From sorrows of earth — where my soul finds rest.
Earth hath no treasures, sin hath no pleasures,
I would exchange for that peace which I feel;
A conscience unspotted, with confidence blessed,
Angels my guard, and the Lord's will my seal.

Blest Zion, Shaker Hymn

From West Gloucester, Maine

Collected by Frederick William Evans (1808-1893) in 1875