Solo Piano Music for Lenten Meditation

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Stations of the Cross Artwork by Charlie Aldrich

1. Were You There

arranged by John Carter

- Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
- Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
- Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble.Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
- Were you there when God raised him from the tomb? Were you there when God raised him from the tomb? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when God raised him from the tomb?

2. Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley

arranged by Jack Schrader

- Jesus walked this lonesome valley;He had to walk it by himself.Oh, nobody else could walk it for him;He had to walk it by himself.
- We must walk this lonesome valley; We have to walk it by ourselves. Oh, nobody else can walk it for us; We have to walk it by ourselves.
- You must go and stand your trial;You have to stand it by yourself.Oh, nobody else can stand it for you;You have to stand it by yourself.

3. Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

arranged by John Carter

- 1 Alas! and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die! Would he devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?
- 2 Was it for crimes that I have done, he groaned upon the tree? Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree!
- 3 Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut its glories in, when God, the mighty maker, died for his own creature's sin.
- 4 Thus might I hide my blushing face while his dear cross appears; dissolve my heart in thankfulness, and melt mine eyes to tears.
- 5 But drops of tears can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe. Here, Lord, I give myself away; 'tis all that I can do.

4. Beneath the Cross of Jesus

arranged by Lloyd Larson

- Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand, the shadow of a mighty Rock within a weary land; a home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way, from the burning of the noontide heat and the burden of the day.
- 2 Upon the cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see the very dying form of One who suffered there for me: and from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess, the wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.
- 3 I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place: I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face; content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss; my sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

5. He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word

arranged by Lloyd Larson

- 1 They crucified my Lord, and he never said a mumbalin' word; they crucified my Lord, and he never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word, not a word, not a word.
- 2 They nailed him to a tree, and he never said a mumbalin' word; they nailed him to a tree, and he never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word, not a word, not a word.
- 3 They pierced him in the side, and he never said a mumbalin' word; they pierced him in the side, and he never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word, not a word, not a word.
- 4 The blood came trickalin' down, and he never said a mumbalin' word; the blood came trickalin' down, and he never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word, not a word, not a word.
- 5 He bowed his head and died, and he never said a mumbalin' word; he bowed his head and died, and he never said a mumbalin' word. Not a word, not a word, not a word.

6. O Sacred Head Now Wounded

arranged by Lloyd Larson

- O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down; now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown; O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss 'til now was thine! Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.
- What thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain: mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain. Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place; look on me with thy favor, vouchsafe to me thy grace.
- What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest Friend, for this, thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
 O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be, Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.

7. When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

arranged by John Carter

- 1 When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ, my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them through his blood.
- 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4 Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small. Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

8. Ah, Holy Jesus

arranged by John Carter

- 1 Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended, that we to judge thee have in hate pretended? By foes derided, by thine own rejected, O most afflicted!
- Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee? Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee! 'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee; I crucified thee.
- 3 Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is offered; the slave hath sinned, and the Son hath suffered. For our atonement, while we nothing heeded, God interceded.
- 4 For me, kind Jesus, was thy incarnation, thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation; thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion, for my salvation.
- 5 Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee, I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee, think on thy pity and thy love unswerving, not my deserving.

9. What Wondrous Love Is This

arranged by Charity Book Putnam

- 1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!
- When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down, when I was sinking down, sinking down; when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul!
- 3 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM, while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing, while millions join the theme, I will sing!
- 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be, and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and through eternity I'll sing on!