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### Handel's Oratorio

# THE MESSIAH

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Mr. Clyde Nichols	_				-	Tenor
Mr. A. A. Dudley	)					Basses
Mr. William Howland	5	-	-		_	Dasses

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# THE MESSIAH

#### An Oratorio for Soli, Chorus and Orchestra GEORGE FRIEDRICH HAENDEL

Born at Halle, February 23, 1685; Died in London, April 14, 1759

THE "MESSIAH" represents the ripened production of Haendel's genius and reflects the noblest aspirations and most exalted devotion of mankind.

Among all his oratorios it retains its original freshness, vigor and beauty in the highest degree, in that it appeals to the loftiest sentiment and to universal religious devotion.

The oratorio was begun on the 22nd day of August and finished September 12th, 1741. It was given in Dublin, Ireland, the following April for the first time. The texts for the "Messiah" were selected by Mr. Charles Jennens, but Haendel himself had much to do with their arrangement. In the instrumental prelude, Haendel has striven to bring the mind of his audience into the exact condition necessary for the consideration of the solemn story that follows. The oratorio opens with the prophetic announcement of the coming of the Messiah; then follow the recital of events connected with His nativity, the relation of His sufferings, death and resurrection, His ascension, and, finally, the assurances of life after death, concluding with the song of praise by the Redeemed.

Unlike many works to which may be accorded immortality, the success of the "Messiah" was immediate, and with the passage of the years we discover no abatement in its power to charm and inspire. Its association with Christmas has given to it special significance, and, to many, a Christmas season that brings with it no performance of the "Messiah" loses much of its meaning.

The great and triumphal Hallelujah chorus is the real climax of the oratorio. On the occasion of its first performance in England on March 23rd, 1749, at the words in the Hallelujah chorus, "For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth," the auditors were so transported that, led by the King, they all rose to their feet and remained standing until the chorus ended, a custom that has prevailed the world over to the present time.

Other oratorios may be compared one with another; the "Messiah" stands alone, a majestic monument to the memory of the composer and an imperishable record of the noblest sentiments of human nature.

### The Messiah

#### GEORGE FREIDRICH HAENDEL

# Part I The Prophecy

OVERTURE.

RECIT.—"Comfort ye my people."

AIR.—"Ev'ry valley."

MR. NICHOLS.

CHORUS.—"And the glory of the Lord."

RECIT.—"Thus saith the Lord."

AIR.—"But who may abide."

MR. DUDLEY.

RECIT.—"Behold, a Virgin shall conceive."

AIR AND CHORUS.—"O Thou that tellest good tidings."

MISS HUNT.

RECIT.—"For, behold, darkness."

AIR.—"The people that walked in darkness."

MR. DUDLEY.

CHORUS.—"For unto us a child is born."

Pastoral Symphony.

RECIT.—"And lo! the Angel of the Lord."

Recit.—"There were shepherds."

RECIT.—"And the Angel said unto them."

RECIT.—"And suddenly."

MRS. WALKER.

CHORUS.—"Glory to God."

AIR.—"Rejoice greatly."

MRS. WALKER.

RECIT.—"Then shall the eyes of the blind."

AIR.—"He shall feed His flock."

MISS HUNT.

AIR .-- "Come unto Him."

MRS. HASTREITER.

#### Part II

#### The Suffering and Triumphant Christ

CHORUS.—"Behold the lamb of God."

AIR.—"He was despised."

MISS HUNT.

RECIT.—"Thy rebuke hath broken His heart."

AIR.—"Behold and see!"

MR. NICHOLS.

CHORUS.—"Lift up your heads."

RECIT.—"He that dwelleth in Heaven."

AIR.—"Thou shalt break them."

MR. NICHOLS.

AIR.—"Why do the nations?"

MR. HOWLAND.

Air.—"I know that my Redeemer liveth."

MRS. WALKER.

CHORUS.—"Hallelujah."

### Members of the Chorus

#### Sopranos

ALLMENDINGER, MARY ALLMENDINGER, RUTH BACHER, MRS. H. BACON. WINIFRED BALL. FLORENCE BENNETT, MARGARET E. BLAICH, MRS. GEORGE BLAKENEY, LOU BREWSTER, JEAN CAMPBELL, ELIZABETH CRITTENDON, MRS. OLGA DAVIS. BEULAH B. DAVISON, NINA DEAN, HELEN ESLINGER, IRENE FARLIN, LEILA H. FOSTER, HELEN FRENCH, MRS. J. LESLIE GOODELL, MAUDE GRAY, BERNICE GREENE, FLORENCE

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#### Altos

Babcock, Mrs. James L.
Baird, Grace
Ball, Mrs. E. N.
Bassett, Ina
Bower, Agnes
Caldwell, Mrs. E. B.
Darling, Mrs. Cyrenus G.
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Davis, Mrs. Delia
Davis, Miss Josephine
Dicken, Carrie
Easton, Mrs. C. H.
Green, Mrs. C. B.
Green, Ethel

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#### Tenors

Anderson, Alfred Ball, E. N.
Boyles, Ralph
Butterfield, Leslie de Wolf, Royal A.
Finch, Frank R.
French, J. Leslie
Fujita, Kanaye
Gidley, W. F.
Goddard, Leslie D.
Grim, Burton
Jacobs, Burleigh E.
La Rue, John

MAY, DR. GEORGE A.
MILLER, HARRY C.
MUNZ, W. D.
POLLOCK, DR. JAMES B.
SAXTON, JAMES B.
SERIO, P. P.
SHULL, A. F.
SLUSSER, J. P.
STALEY, CLARENCE B.
STONE, CHARLES E.
SUNDERMAN, W. F.
THIENES, ELMER
URIE, FRANK D.

#### Basses

ALLMENDINGER, H. D. BALL, WALTER T. CALDWELL, DR. E. B. CHENEY, L. W. DAVIS, RICE B. DE BRUYN, J. WILLIAM Dudley, A. A. FANCHNER, JOHN GODDARD, HARNEY HALL, CLARENCE HIGGINS, DR. S. E. HOSMER, HENRY KINGSBURY, LYNN W. KOCH, EUGENE J. LEHNDORFF, ELMER R. MACDONALD, C. P. MARBLE, MANTON M. DE NANCREDE, DR. CHAS. B. OGDEN, R. N. PALMER, W. I. RYDER, E. KIRKE SCHLINK, HENRY A. SCHMIDT, ELLERY SHEELS, ARTHUR SIMMONS, RICHARD J. SMITH, CARL STEVENSON, FRED G. STRAUSS, PROF. LOUIS A. TINKHAM, MATTHEW H. TRAUT, CARL WELCH, PAUL B. WINES, LEVI D. WISDOM, MARK WORRELL, DR. WILLIAM H. WORDEN, WINTHROP R. Young, Leigh J.

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