



## *Chancel Choir Series*

### Anthems for Worship

# Break Thou the Bread of Life

Based on "*Break Thou the Bread of Life*"; text by  
Mary A. Lathbury (1841-1913); tune, BREAD OF LIFE, attributed  
to William F. Sherwin (1826-1888).

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SATB with Accompaniment

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Adagio

Piano introduction in B-flat major, 4/4 time. The right hand features a melody of eighth and quarter notes, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment of chords and single notes. The tempo is marked 'Adagio' and the dynamic is 'mf'.

7 *mp unis.*

Break Thou the bread of life,

Measures 7-11 of the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a rest, then enters with the lyrics 'Break Thou the bread of life,'. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines. Dynamics include 'mp' and 'mf'.

12 *div. cres.*

Dear Lord to me, As Thou didst break the bread be - side the

Measures 12-16 of the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line continues with the lyrics 'Dear Lord to me, As Thou didst break the bread be - side the'. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support. Dynamics include 'div.' and 'cres.'.

17 *cres. f*

sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page I seek Thee Lord,

Measures 17-21 of the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line concludes with the lyrics 'sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page I seek Thee Lord,'. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines. Dynamics include 'cres.' and 'f'.

22 *mp*

my spir - it pants for thee, - O liv - ing Word.

27

Break Thou the bread of life, Dear Lord to me, as Thou didst

32

break the bread be-side the sea. Be-yond the sa-cred page

37

I seek Thee Lord. My spir - it pants for Thee. O liv - ing

42

Word.

Word.

*mp* *RH* *LH*

47

*mp*

*mp*

Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me, as Thou didst

52

bless the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,

57

all fet-ters fall, all fet - ters fall, and I shall find my peace,

62

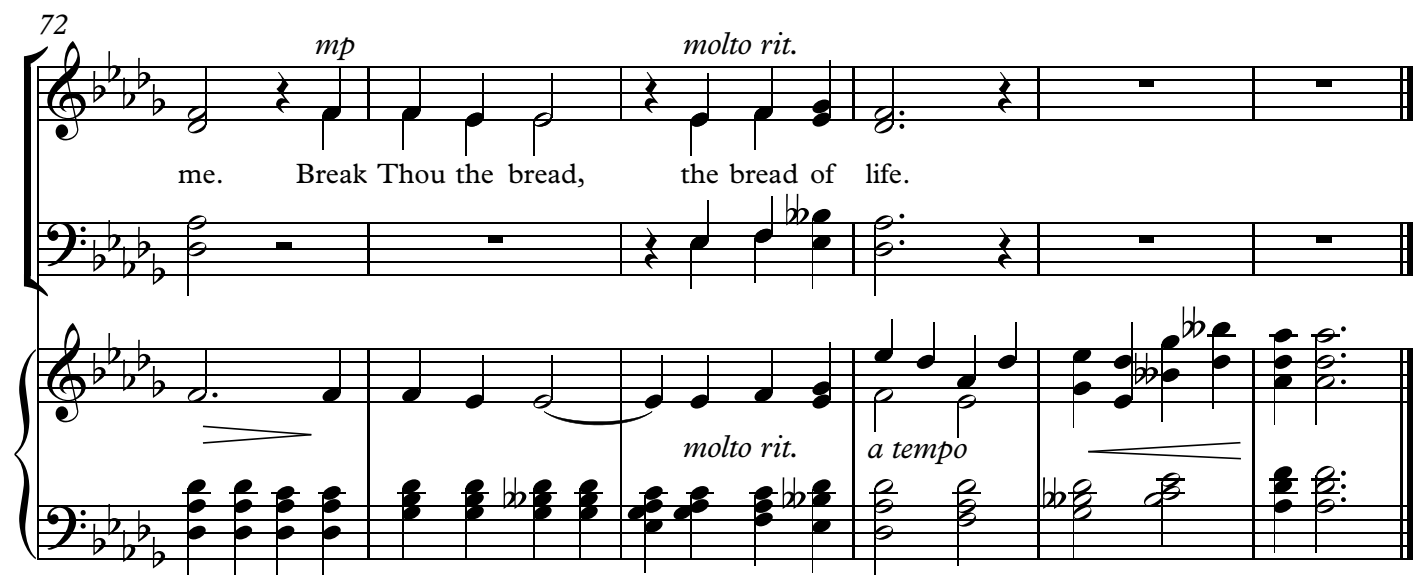
my all in all. Break Thou the bread,

67



the bread of life, dear Lord, dear Lord, dear Lord, to me, to

72



me. Break Thou the bread, the bread of life.

*molto rit.* *a tempo*