

Song

14. Le chant des servantes

The maid-servants' song

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$\text{♩} = 92$
Andante


A
The maids:

Some folks thought that he'd ne - ver wed,
all the girls here have heard it said: Pret - ty fa - ces and win - ning ways
ne - ver set Bo - az' heart a - blaze. But since Ruth came it's been quite clear,
he has eyes now for none but her. Saw her glea - ning with - out res - pite;
he felt love blos - som at first sight. So we're jea - lous, well, we don't care!
We can't help thin - king it's not fair: All the girls that he might pre - fer!

B

Why could he choose no one but her? 'Though we share the jol - li - ty
of this fes - tive day, with our bro - ken heart we are in a pi - ti - ful way.
We must mourn out shat - tered hopes, mar - ry where we can,
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for Bo - az was seen by all as the i - deal man. La, la, la, la, ...

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... la, la, la, la. 'Though from Mo - ab, we know quite well

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she a - dors God of I - sra - el. Did she not, it could ne - ver be

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that she en - tered this fa - mi - ly. She's a trea - sure for Na - o - mi.

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Her fine eyes spar - kle mer - ri - ly, when she smiles she is like the sun,

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warm and friend - ly to e - very - one. So we're jea - lous, well, we don't care!

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We can't help thin - king it's not fair: All the girls that he might pre - fer!

40 E



Why could he choose no one but her? 'Though we share the jol - li - ty

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of this fes - tive day, with our bro - ken heart we are in a pi - ti - ful way.

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We must mourn out shat - tered hopes, mar - ry where we can,

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for Bo - az was seen by all as the i - deal man. La, la, la, la, ...

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... la, la, la, la. 'Though we share the jol - li - ty

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of this fes-tive day, with our bro - ken heart we are in a pi-ti-ful way.

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We must mourn out shat - tered hopes, mar - ry where we can,

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for Bo-az was seen by all as the i - deal man. La, la, la, la, ...

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... la, la, la. Bo - az, he was seen by all as the i - deal man.