

# EARTH'S Answer

Poem: William Blake (1794)

Setting: David Avshalomov (2001)

*Largo* ♩ = 40

**S** *pp* Earth rais'd up her head, from the dark - ness dread and drear.

**A** *pp* Earth her head, from the dark - ness dread and drear.

**T** *pp* Earth rais'd up her head - from the dark - ness dread and drear.

**B** *pp* Earth rais'd her head from the dark - ness drear.

Her light fled: ston - y dread! and her locks - cov - er'd with grey des - pair.

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*p* Pris - on'd on wat'r - y shore star - ry jeal - ous - y does keep my tent

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Pris - on'd *p* Pris - on'd on wat'r - y shore my - tent

Pris - *p* on'd on wat'r - y shore

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*p* Cold and hoar, Weep - ing o'er, I - hear the Fath - er of the an - cient *mf* men.

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*Poco Meno Largo* ♩ = 50

*f* Self-ish Fath-er of men, cruel jeal-ous self-ish fear; *sub.p* Can de-light, chain'd in night the

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vir - gins of youth and morn - ing bear? *pp* Does Spring hide its joy when

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*Poco Ritard.*

buds and blossoms grow? Does the sower sow by night? Or the plowman in darkness plow?

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*Tempo I*

*mf* Break this heavy chain that does freeze my bones around.

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*f* Selfish! Vain! Eternal bane! *ff* That free Love with bondage bound.

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