



The Clothes of Heaven

for unaccompanied vocal quartet or chamber choir

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Aedh Wishes For The Clothes Of Heaven

Had I the heavens' embroidered cloths,
Enwrought with golden and silver light,
The blue and the dim and the dark cloths
Of night and light and the half light,
I would spread the cloths under your feet:
But I, being poor, have only my dreams;
I have spread my dreams under your feet;
Tread softly because you tread on my dreams.

William Butler Yeats

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$\text{♩} = 72$ Cantabile con moto

mp Had I the Hea-ven's em - broi-der'd clothes, en-wrought with gold and

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mp sil-ver light, em - broi-der'd clothes, en-wrought with gold and sil-ver light,

mp sil-ver light, em - broi-der'd clothes, en-wrought with gold and sil-ver light,

mp sil-ver light, Had I the Hea-ven's 'broi-der'd clothes, en-wrought with gold and sil-ver light, Had

mp sil-ver light, Had I the Hea-ven's 'broi-der'd clothes, en-wrought with gold and sil-ver light, Had

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mp the blue and the dim and the dark clothes of night

mp the blue, and the dim and the dark clothes of night

mp I the Hea-vens' blue and dim and the dark, Had I the - Hea - vens' em

mp I the Hea-vens' blue, and dim and the dark, Had I the Hea - vens' em -

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mp I'd spread the clothes un - der your feet; *mf* I'd

mp I'd spread the clothes un - der your feet; *mf* I'd

mf broi-der'd clothes, I'd spread, I'd spread the clothes un - der your feet; I'd spread, I'd

mf broi-der'd clothes, I'd spread the clothes un - der your feet; I'd spread, I'd

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mp spread the clothes Un - der your feet, the blue and the dim and the dark clothes.

mp spread the clothes Un - der your feet, the blue and the dim and the dark clothes.

mp spread the clothes Un - der your feet, Had I the blue and dim, and the dark clothes.

mp spread the clothes Un - der your feet, Had I the blue and dim, and the dark

12 *mp* But I be - ing poor, have on - ly
mp But I be - ing poor, have on - ly
mp of night; But I be - ing poor, have on - ly
mp light, of night; But I be - ing poor, have on - ly

14 *poco f* dreams Tread soft ly, tread soft
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mp dreams Tread soft ly, tread soft
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17 *p* ly, tread soft - - - ly, *mp dolcis.* be-cause - you tread on my
p ly, tread soft - - - ly, *mp dolcis.* be-cause - you tread on my
p ly, tread soft - - - ly, *mp dolcis.* be-cause you tread, you tread on my
p ly, tread soft - - - ly, *mp dolcis.* be-cause you tread on my

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dreams. *mp* em - broi der'd clothes en - wrought with

dreams. *mp* em - broi der'd _ clothes en - wrought with _

dreams. *mp* Had I the Hea vens' _ em - 'broi der'd clothes en - wrought with gold, with _

dreams. *mp* Had I the Hea vens' _ em - 'broi der'd clothes en - wrought with gold _

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gold and sil - ver light, *mp* I'd spread the _ clothes _ un - der your

gold and sil - ver light, *mp* I'd spread the _ clothes _ un - der your

gold and _ sil - ver _ light. *mp* I'd spread, I'd spread the _ clothes un - der your

and _ sil - ver _ light. *mp* I'd spread, I'd spread the clothes _ un - der your

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feet. *p* tread soft ly, *mp* be - cause you tread on _

feet. *mp* Tread soft, *p* tread soft ly, *mp* be - cause you tread on _

feet. *mp* Tread soft, *p* tread soft ly, *mp* be - cause you tread on _

feet. *p* tread soft ly, *mp* be - cause you tread on _

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my dreams. Had I the Heaven's em - broi dered -

my dreams. Had I the Heaven's em - broi dered -

my dreams. Had I the Heaven's em - broi dered -

my dreams. Had I the Heaven's em - broi dered -

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tread soft - - - ly, tread soft - - - ly, be-cause - you tread

clothes, tread - soft - - - ly, tread soft - - - ly, be-cause - you tread

clothes, tread - soft - - - ly, tread soft - - - ly, be-cause you tread, you tread

clothes, tread soft - - - ly, tread soft - - - ly, be-cause you tread,

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on my dreams. Had I the Heavens' em - broi - dered clothes... Ah...

on my dreams. Had I the Heavens' em - broi - dered clothes... Ah...

on my dreams. Had I the Heavens' em - broi - dered clothes... Ah...

on my dreams. Had I the Heavens' em - broi - dered clothes... Ah...

