

For the Illinois Music Educators Association  
2020-2021 All State Choirs

*for SATB voices and keyboard accompaniment*

# He, Watching over Israel

from the Oratorio "*Elijah*"  
Opus 70, Number 29  
1846

Adapted from Psalm 121: 4, 7

Felix Mendelssohn  
(1809-1847)  
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*He, watching over Israel, slumbers not nor sleeps;  
Should'st thou, walking in grief, languish,  
He will quicken thee.*

**SOPRANO**  
He, watch-ing o - ver Is - ra - el, slum - bers not, nor

**ALTO**

**TENOR**

**BASS**

**Keyboard**

*p*

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5

S. *p*  
sleeps; He slum - bers not, nor

A.

T. *p*  
He, watch - ing o - ver Is - ra - el, slum - bers not, nor

B.

Kybd.

9

S. sleeps;

A. *p*  
He, watch - ing, slum - bers not, nor sleeps; He slum - bers not nor

T. sleeps; *p*  
He slum - bers not,

B. *p*  
He, watch - ing slum - bers not nor

Kybd.

13 *mp* *subito p*

S. He, watch-ing o - ver Is - ra - el, slum - bers not, nor

A. sleeps; He, watch-ing o - ver Is - - ra - el, slum -

T. nor sleeps, He slum - bers not, nor sleeps, slum -

B. sleeps; He slum - bers not, nor sleeps, slum -

Kybd. *mp* *p*

17

S. sleeps, slum - - bers not, nor sleeps.

A. - bers not, He slum - bers not, nor sleeps.

T. - bers not, He slum - bers not, nor sleeps. *mp* Shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief,

B. - bers not, nor sleeps.

Kybd. *mp*

21

S. *mf* Shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief,

A. *mp* Shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief, lan - guish, He will quck - en

T. *mf* lan - guish, He will quick - en thee; shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief,

B.

Kybd. *mf*

25

S. lan - - guish, He will quick - en thee, He

A. thee, will quick - en thee, He will

T. in grief, lan - guish, He will quick -

B. *mf* Shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief, lan - - guish,

Kybd.

28

S. will quick - en thee; shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief,

A. quick - - - - en thee; shouldst thou, walk - ing in

T. - en thee; shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief,

B. He will quick - en thee.

Kybd.

31

S. lan - - - guish, He will, He will quick - en

A. grief, lan - - - - guish, shouldst thou

T. in grief, lan - - - guish,

B. Shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief, lan - - - guish,

Kybd.

34

S. *mf* thee, Shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief,

A. walk - ing in grief, lan - - guish, He will quick - en

T. He will quick - en thee, will quick - - en

B. He will quick - en thee, He will quick - en

Kybd. *mf* *f*

37

S. lang - - guish, walk - ing in grief, lan - - guish,

A. *f* thee. Shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief, lan - guish,

T. *f* thee. Shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief, lan - - guish,

B. *f* thee. Shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief, lan - - guish,

Kybd. *f*

40 *f* *mp*

S. He will quick-en thee, He will quick-en thee.

A. He will quick-en thee, He will quick-en thee.

T. He will quick-en thee, He will quick-en thee, Shouldst thou,

B. He will quick-en thee, will quick-en thee.

Kybd. *f* *mp* *p*

44 *p*

S. He, watch-ing o - ver Is - ra - el, slum - bers not, nor

A. He, watch-ing o - ver Is - ra - el, slumb - ers

T. walk - ing in grief, lan - - guish, He will quick - en

B. He, watch-ing o - ver

Kybd. *p*

47

S. sleeps; Shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief, lan - guish, He will quick - en

A. not, Shouldst thou, walk - ing in grief, lan - guish, He will quick - en

T. *mp* thee. He watch - ing o - ver Is - ra - el, slum - bers not, nor

B. Is - - ra - el, slum - - bers not, nor

Kybd.

51 *f dolce*

S. thee. He watch - ing o - ver Is - ra - el, slum -

A. *f dolce* thee. He slum - - bers not, slum -

T. *f dolce* sleeps He slum - bers not, He

B. *f dolce* sleeps, He slum - - bers

Kybd.

54

S. - bers not, nor sleeps, He slum - - bers not, He

A. - bers not, nor sleeps, He slum - - bers not, He

T. slum - - bers not, He slum - bers not, He

B. not, nor sleeps, He slum - - bers not, He

Kybd.

58 *f dolce*

S. slum - bers not. He watch - ing o - ver Is - ra - el, slum -

A. *f dolce* slum - bers not. He, watch - ing Is - - ra - el, slum -

T. *f dolce* slum - bers not. He slum - - bers not, He

B. *f dolce* slum - bers not. He slum - bers not, He slum - bers

Kybd.

62

S. *p*  
- bers not, nor sleeps, He slum - bers not, He

A. *p*  
- bers not, nor sleeps, He slum - bers not, He

T. *p*  
slum - bers not, He slum - bers not, He

B. *p*  
not, nor sleeps, He slum - bers not, He

Kybd. *p*

66

S. *pp* *p*  
slum - bers not, sleeps not, He,

A. *pp*  
slum - bers not, sleeps not,

T. *pp*  
slum - bers not, sleeps not,

B. *pp*  
slum - bers not, sleeps not,

Kybd. *p* *pp*

70

S. watch - - ing Is - - ra - el, slum - - -

A. *p* He watch - ing Is - ra - el, slum - - -

T. *p* He, watch - ing slum - - -

B. *p* He watch - ing Is - ra - el, slum -

Kybd. *pp*

75

S. *pp* - bers not, nor sleeps.

A. *pp* - bers not, nor sleeps.

T. *pp* - bers not nor sleeps.

B. *pp* bers not, nor sleeps.

Kybd. *pp*

A tempo ♩ = 118

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