



## The Welcome Home

Ranulph Haking (1830-1894)

**Rev. Richard Ranulph Haking** (1830-1894) was born at Bury, Lancashire, England. He studied music and graduated from Worcester College, Oxford, and Magdalen Hall, Oxford. He was ordained deacon, then priest. He served as Vicar of Rodbourne-Cheney, Wiltshire; Rector of Easton-Grey, Mamesbury, Wiltshire; and Rector of and Congham, Norfolk. He composed a number of anthems hymns, glees, part songs, and songs. He died in Southacre, Norfolk, England.

Dear is the hour we reach our home, Where loved ones haste to greet us: Where each one wishes as we come To be the first to meet us.

Oh! when Time has spread his withering blight, His joys been but professing, How dear to turn from the world's hard fight, And cling to home's true blessing!

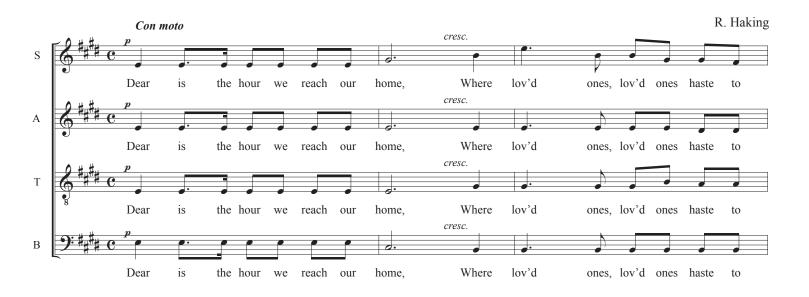
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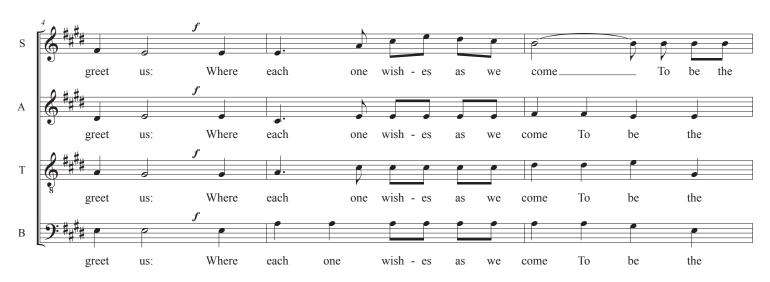
When 'mid the storms of Life's rough toils, E'en Hope herself's benighted; Ah! then we think upon Love's smiles, Those eyes that beam love-lighted.

Then we sorrow that we prized not more That love indeeds outspoken, And feel that even India's priceless store Could never gain that token.

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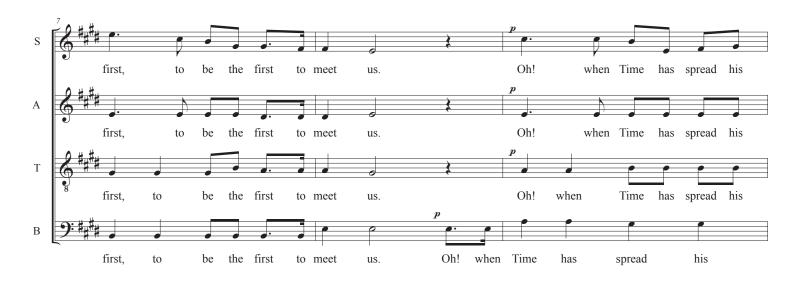
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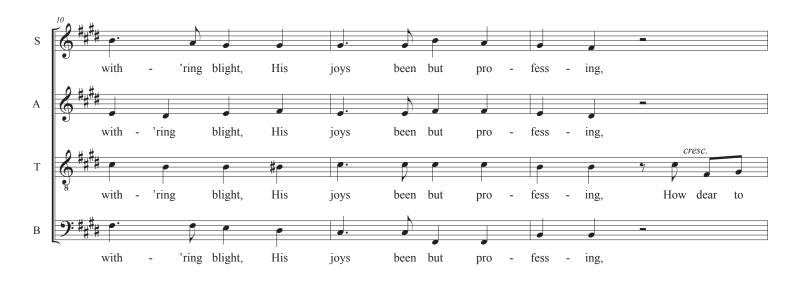




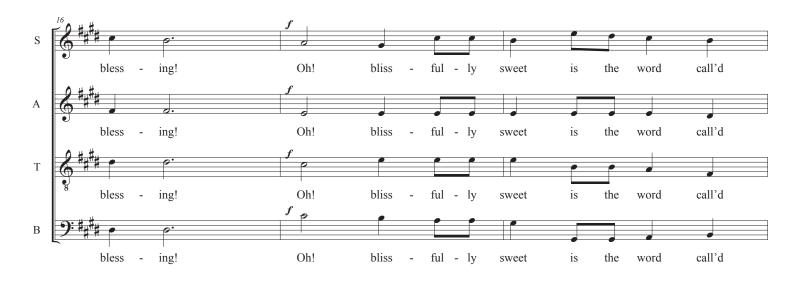


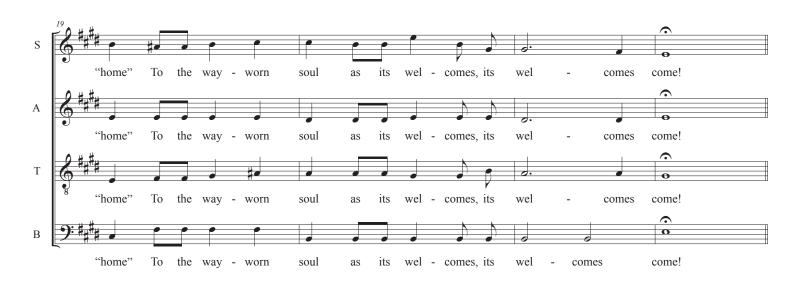
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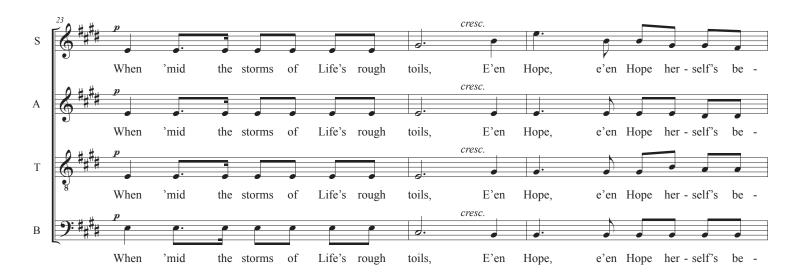


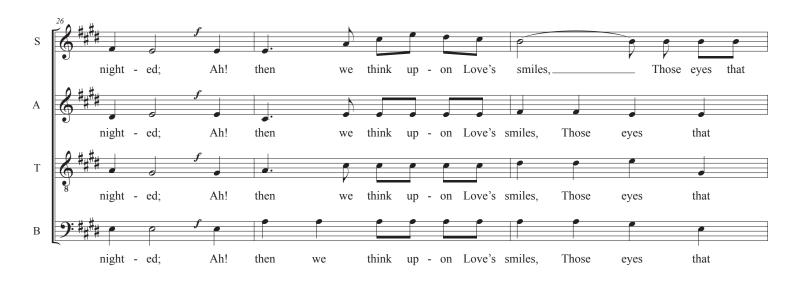


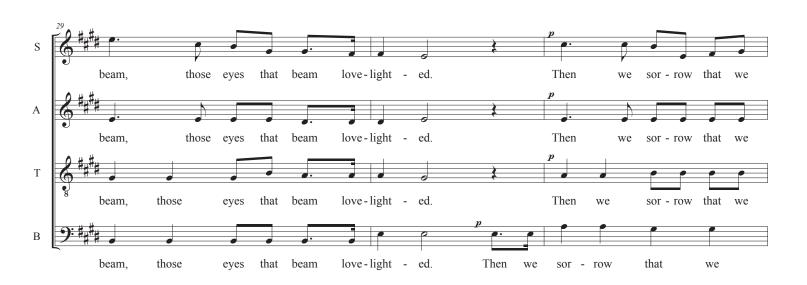


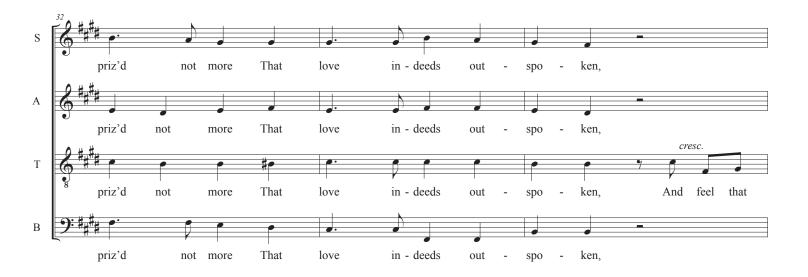


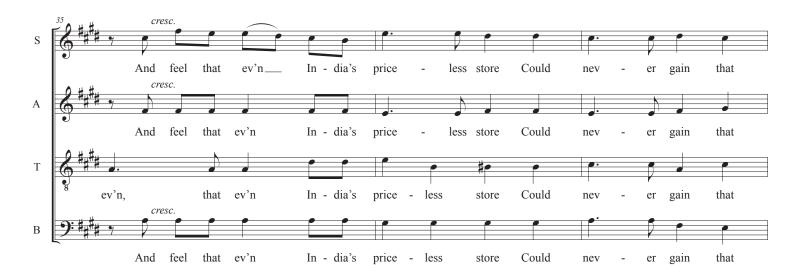


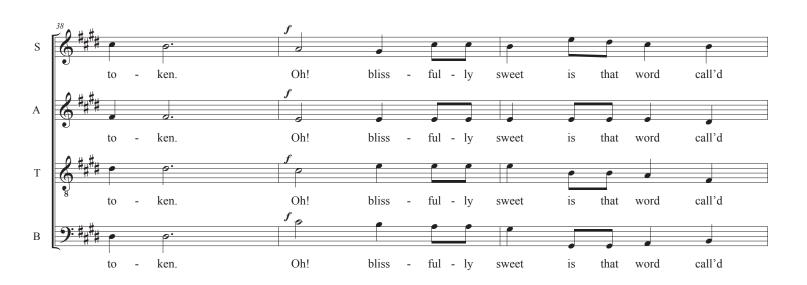


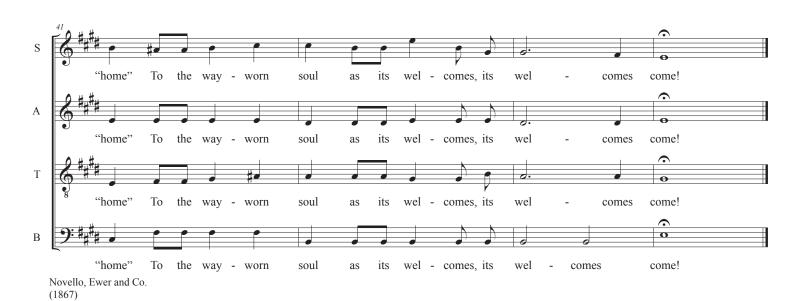












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