

# Life Sculpture

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(1799-1859)

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$\text{♩} = 72$

Tenor 1  
stood a sculp - tor boy \_\_\_\_\_ With his

Tenor 2  
Chi - sel in hand stood a sculp - tor boy \_\_\_\_\_ With his

Baritone  
Chi - sel in \_\_\_\_\_ hand \_\_\_\_\_ With his

Bass  
Chi - sel in \_\_\_\_\_ hand \_\_\_\_\_ With his

5  
T 1  
mar ble block be - fore him, And his eyes lit up, lit up with a smile of joy, -

T 2  
mar ble block be - fore him, And his eyes lit up, lit up with a smile of joy, -

B  
mar ble block be - fore him, be - fore him, lit up with joy, with a smile of joy, -

B  
mar ble block be - fore him, And his eyes lit up \_\_\_\_\_ with joy,

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T 1  
8  
with joy, As an an-gel-dream passed o-ver him. He carved the dream

T 2  
8  
As an an-gel dream passed o-ver him. He carved the dream

B  
with joy, As an an-gel dream passed o-ver him. He carved the dream, he carved the

B  
lit up with joy, As an an-gel dream passed o-ver him. He carved the dream

*mp* *f* *mp* *f* *mp* *f* *f* *mp* *f*

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T 1  
8  
on that shape-less stone, With oh, so man-y, man-y sharp in-ci-sions; With Heav-en's

T 2  
8  
on that shape-less stone, With oh, so man-y man-y sharp in-ci-sions; With Heav-en's

B  
dream With oh, so with man-y sharp in-ci-sions; With Heav-en's

B  
shape-less stone, with oh, so man-y sharp in-ci-sions; With, With Heav-en's

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T 1  
8  
own light the sculp-ture shone, He'd caught that an-gel vi-sion.

T 2  
8  
own light the sculp-ture shone, He'd caught that an-gel vi-sion. Chil dren of

B  
own light the sculp-ture shone, He'd caught that an-gel vi-sion.

B  
own light the sculp-ture shone, He'd caught that an-gel vi-sion.

*ff* *mp* *pp* *ff* *mp* *pp* *p* *ff* *mp* *pp* *pp* *p* *ff* *mp* *pp* *pp*

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T 1 *p* are we, — as we stand With our *mf* lives un carved be-fore *p* us,

T 2 *p* life are we, — as we stand With our *mf* lives un carved be-fore *p* us, —

B *p* Chil-dren of — life — With our *mf* lives un carved be-fore *p* us be-fore

B *p* Chil-dren of — life — With our *mf* lives un carved be-fore *p* us,

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T 1 *pp* We're wait - ing the hour when at God's com - mand, *f* Our life-dream shall pass o - ver *mp* us. *f* If we then

T 2 *pp* We're wait - ing the hour when at God's com - mand, *f* Our life-dream shall pass o - ver *mp* us. *f* If we then

B *pp* us, when at God's com - mand, *f* Our life-dream shall pass o - ver *mp* us. *f* If we then

B *pp* We're wait - ing the hour when at God's com - mand, *f* Our life-dream shall pass o - ver *mp* us. *f* If we then

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T 1 carve it on the yield - ing stone With oh, so man - y man-y sharp in-

T 2 carve it on the yield - ing stone With oh, so man - y man-y sharp in-

B carve, If we then carve — With oh, so, With man - y sharp in-

B carve — yield - ing stone With oh, so man - y sharp in - ci - sion,