

What is our life?

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Soprano
mf What is our life, our life? a play of pas - si -

Alto
mf What is our life? a play of pas - si - on, a

Tenor 1
mf What is our life?

Tenor 2
mf What is our life? a

Bass

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S
on, what is our life,

A
play of pas - si - on, what is our life, what

T
a play of pas - si - on, of pas - si - on, what is our

B
play of pas - si - on, a play of pas - si - on, what is

B
What is our life? a play of pas - si - on,

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S
what is our life? our life? a play of pas - si -

A
is our life, what is our life? a play of pas -

T
life? a play of pas - si - on.

B
our life? a play of pas - si - on, what is our life? a

B
what is our life, our life? a play of pas - si -

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S on. *f* Our mirth the mu-sic of di-vi-si-on, of di-vi - si -

A si - on. *f* Our mirth the mu - sic of di -

T *f* Our mirth the mu - sic, the mu - sic of di - vi - si-on,

B play of pas - si - on. *f* Our on. *f* Our mirth the mu - sic of di-vi-si-on, of di-vi-si-on, our mirth the

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S on. *mf* Our mo-thers'

A vi - si-on, our - mirth the mu - sic of di-vi - si-on.

T our mirth the mu - sic of di-vi-si-on, our mirth the mu - sic of di - vi - si -

B mirth the mu - sic of di-vi-si - on, our mirth the mu - sic of di - vi - si -

mu - sic of di-vi - si - on,

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S wombs the tir - ing-hou - ses be,

A *mf* Our mo - thers' wombs the

T on. *mf* Our mo - thers' wombs, our mo - thers' wombs the tir - ing, the

B on. *mf* Our mo - thers' wombs, our mo - thers' wombs the tir - ing -

mf Our mo - thers' wombs the tir - ing-hou - ses be,

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S Where we are dressed _____ for this short co - me -

A tir - ing - hou - ses be, Heaven

T tir - ing - hou - ses be, Where we are dressed, _____ are dressed for

B hou - ses be, Where we are dressed _____ for this short

Where we are dressed, are dressed for this short

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S dy. Heaven _____ the ju - di - cious sharp spec - ta - tor is,

A the ju - di - cious sharp spec - ta - tor is, heaven the ju - di - cious

T this short co - me - dy. Heaven _____ the ju - di - cious sharp spe -

B co - me - dy, short co - me - dy. spe - cta -

co - me - dy. Heaven _____ the ju - di - cious sharp spe - cta -

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S *f* That sits and marks still who doth act a - miss,

A sharp spe - cta - tor is, *f* That sits and marks still who doth act _____ a - miss,

T cta - tor, spe - cta - tor is, *f* That sits and marks, that sits and marks still

B tor is, *f* That sits and marks, that sits and marks still

tor is, *f* That sits and marks who doth a - miss,

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S that sits and marks still who doth act a - miss.

A that sits and marks still who doth act a - miss, still who doth act a -

T who doth act a - miss, that sits and marks, marks still who doth act a -

B who doth act a - miss, still who doth act a - miss, that sits and marks still who doth act a -

that sits and marks still who doth act a - miss. still who doth act a -

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S *p* Our graves, our graves that hide us from

A miss. *p* Our graves that hide us from the search-ing sun, that hide

T miss. *p* Our graves that hide us from the search -

B miss. *p* Our graves that hide us from the search - ing sun, from

miss. *p* Our graves that hide, that hide us from the

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S the search - ing sun Are like drawn cur - tains when

A us from the search- ing sun Are like drawn cur - tains when the play

T ing sun Are like drawn cur - tains

B the search-ing sun, the search-ing sun Are like drawn cur-tains, drawn

search - ing sun Are like drawn cur- tains when the

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S the play is done, _____

A is done, _____ are like drawn cur- _____ tains when _____ the play is _____

T when the play is done, when _____ the play _____ is done, when _____ the play

B cur- _____ tains when _____ the play is _____

play is done, when the play _____ is done.

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S when _____ the play _____ is done, _____ the play _____ is done, _____ are like drawn

A done, _____ are like drawn

T is done, _____ is done, are like drawn cur - tains when the

B done, the play is done, are like drawn cur - tains when the

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S cur - tains when the play is done. *f* Thus march we,

A cur-tains when _____ the play is done. *f* Thus

T play is done, the play is _____ done. *f* Thus march we, play - ing,

B play is done. *f* Thus march we, play - ing,

f Thus march we, play- ing, to our

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S play- ing, thus march we, play - ing,

A march we, play - ing, thus march we, play - ing, thus

T thus march we, play- ing, thus march

B thus march we, play - ing, thus march we, play - lat - est rest, thus march we, play - ing,

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S thus march we, play - ing, to our lat-est rest, thus march we, play-ing,

A march we, play - ing to our lat - est rest, our lat - est rest,

T we, play-ing, thus march we, play- ing, thus

B ing, thus march we, play-ing, to our lat-est rest, thus march we, play-ing to our lat - est rest, our lat - est rest,

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S thus march we, play - ing, to our lat-est rest

A thus march we, play- ing,

T march we, play - ing, to our lat - est rest, thus march we, play-ing, to our

B to our lat - est rest, thus march we, play- thus march we play- ing, thus

110 *dim.*

S rest, thus march we, play-ing, to our lat - est rest, On -

A thus march we, play-ing, to our lat - est rest, On - ly we die in

T lat - est rest, thus march we, play-ing, to our lat-est

B ing, thus march we, play-ing, to our lat-est rest, *dim.*

march we, play-ing, to our lat-est rest, On -

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S ly we die, we die in ear- nest, that's no

A ear - nest, that's no jest, *dim.*

T rest, On - ly we die in ear - nest, that's no *dim.*

B On- ly we die, we

ly we die in

120 *dim.* *p*

S jest, we die in ear - nest, that's no *p* jest.

A in ear - nest, that's no *p* jest. *dim.*

T jest, we die in ear - nest, that's no *p* jest. *dim.*

B die in ear - nest, that's no *p* jest. *dim.*

ear - nest, that's no jest, no *p* jest.