

# A dialogue between Charon and Orpheus

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Orpheus  
Haste, haste gen - tle Cha - ron haste, I pri - thee come, And waft me to

Charon

Harpsichord

Orph.  
the blest E - ly - sium, Through whose cool shade with wan - d'ring souls I'll flee Till I have

Cha

Hpschd.


Orph.  
found the fair *tr.* *rit.* *a tempo* Eu - ry - di - ce. Sure he's a - sleep and hears me not, So ho! so

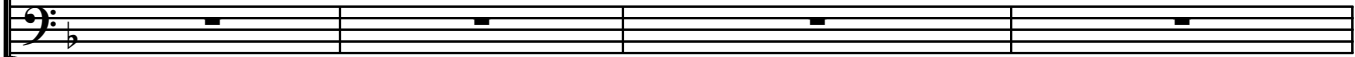
Cha

Hpschd.

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Orph.  ho! A-wake dull man, a-wake! thou dost not know The pains that part-ed lov-ers

Cha 

Hpschd. 

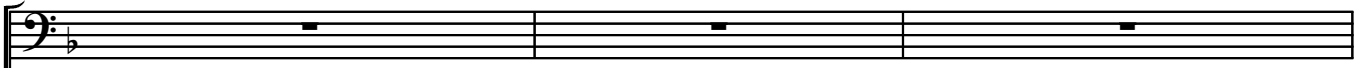
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Orph.  un - der - go.

Cha  What voice is this I hear? no mor - tal dare In-vade

Hpschd. 

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Orph. 

Cha  these gloom - y re - gions of des - pair, Where sul - len clouds have chas'd a-way the

Hpschd. 

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Orph.

Cha

Hpschd.

light, And drawn dark cur-tains of e-ter - nal night. And wing - ed

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Orph.

Cha

Hpschd.

Mer-cu - ry per-haps may bring Some mes-sage to the great in - fer - nal King.

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Orph.

Cha

Hpschd.

I pri-thee come and see, 'Tis Or - pheus calls.

Speak, who art thou? Then Or -

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Orph. For pi-ty's sake let me no long - er stay, Each min - ute seems to be a

Cha pheus wait on me.

Hpschd.

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Orph. last - ing day.

Cha The ri - sing tides by an - gry winds are met, And swell so high my boat will o - ver -

Hpschd.

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Orph. Fear not, the winds shall cease, I'll charm their

Cha set. I dare not stir.

Hpschd.

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Orph. rage to gen - tle calms of peace.

Cha. Then come a - board and whilst we sail a-long,

Hpschd.

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Orph. Be still, still, be

Cha. Di - vert the storm by some de - light - ful song. Be still, still, be

Hpschd.

tempo 30

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Orph. still, ye proud waves and your fu - ry give o'er, Re - tire all ye winds, and op -

Cha. still, ye proud waves and your fu - ry give o'er, Re - tire all ye

Hpschd.

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Orph. pose them, op - pose them no more; In the dark, hol - low ca - verns your re - vels go

Cha winds, and op - pose them no more; In the dark, hol - low ca - verns your

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Hpschd.

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Orph. keep, Then void of dis - tur-bance, then void of dis - tur-bance the bil-lows may sleep; And when they a -

Cha re - vels go keep, Then void of dis - tur-bance, of dis - tur-bance the bil-lows may sleep; And when they a -

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Hpschd.

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Orph. wake they'll be calm and ap - pear As gen - - - tle as if the great Plu - to were here.

Cha wake they'll be calm and ap - pear As gen - - - tle as if the great Plu - to were here.

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Hpschd.