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Written for Alan Gill on the occasion of his Ordination to the Priesthood
on 26 September 1976 in Wimborne Minster

If love is made of words

HYMN OF DEDICATION FOR SATB UNACCOMPANIED

Words by Ronald Duncan
Music by
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Slow and expressive

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A

If love is made of words, can I love more than I? If

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love is all self-love, Who's more belov'd than I? If

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love is true or faith, Who can love less than I? _____

mp *p*

mp *p* *mp* If

Who's less belov'd than I? _____

chiare *poco rall.* *a tempo* [SOLO] *mp* If

p *chiare*

love is to sub - mit,

love is to be - lieve, Who could love more than she? _____

poco più animato *come prima* [FULL]

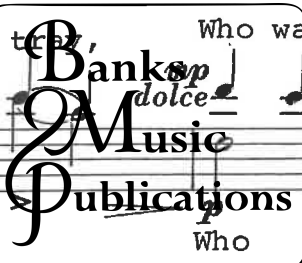
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mf

love is to be - tray, Who was be - lov'd as He? _____

dolce

Who was be - lov'd as



mp poco marcato

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Oh may my fickle

— Who was be-lov'd as He? —

dim. Oh may my

p

He, as He? *mp poco marcato*

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heart Be faith - ful to my soul; — De -

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fickle heart — Be faith - ful to my soul; —

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poco a poco cresc. *allarg.*

cei-ving jea-lous Death,

Be - tray my life to

— De - cei - ving jea-lous Death,

poco a poco cresc. *allarg.*

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Thee to Thee.

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HYMN OF DEDICATION

If love is made of words,
Who can love more than I?
If love is all self-love,
Who's more beloved than I?

If love is made of faith,
Who can love less than I?
If love is to submit,
Who's less beloved than I?

If love is made of tears,
Who could love more than she?
If love is to betray,
Who was beloved more than she?

Oh may my fickle heart
Be faithful to my soul;
Deceiving jealous Death,
Betray my life to Thee.

RONALD DUNCAN

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