



STRIVING AFTER GOD

For SATB Chorus

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Music by Undine Smith Moore

Moderato ♩ = 80

S mf quasi recitative

True art— is made no-ble and re-lig - ious— by the mind— pro-

Piano mf quasi recitative (for rehearsal only)

duc-ing it. For those who feel it, noth-ing makes the soul so re

A mf legato

So re -

T mf legato

So re -

B mf legato

So re -

legato

quasi recitative - almost

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L'istesso tempo

p *ritardando*

lig - ious and pure as the en - deav - or to cre - ate some - thing

p *div.* *unis. 3* *ritardando*

li - gious and pure as the en - deav - or to cre - ate some - thing

p *3* *ritardando*

li - gious and pure as the en - deav - or to cre - ate some - thing

ritardando

li - gious and pure some - thing

L'istesso tempo

p *ritardando*

per - fect. — For God is per - fec - tion; For God is per -

10 *pp* *mp* $\text{♩} = 104$ 11 12 *mf* 13

per - fect. — For God is per - fec - tion; For God is per -

mp *mp* *mf*

per - fect. God is per - fec - tion; God is per -

pp *mp* *mf*

per - fect. — For God is per - fec - tion, For

pp

per - fect. —

$\text{♩} = 104$ *mp* *mf*

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fec - tion, per - fec - tion, for God — is per -

fec - tion, per - fec - tion, for God — is per -

God is per - fec - tion, per - fec - tion,

For

ff broader

div.

ff broader

ff broader

ff broader

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fec - tion, per - fec -

fec - tion, per - fec -

per - fec -

God is per - fec - tion, per - fec - tion. And

p *poco rit.* *unis.*

p *poco rit.* *unis.*

p *poco rit.*

p *poco rit.*

p *poco rit.*

20 *a tempo* 21 22 *mf* 5

tion. And

a tempo *mf* 3

tion. And who - ev - er strives af - ter per -

a tempo *mp* 3

tion. And who - ev - er strives af - ter per - fec - tion,

a tempo 3

who - ev - er strives af - ter per - fec - tion,

a tempo *mp* 3 3

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who - ev - er strives af - ter per - fec - tion, is

fec - tion, is striv - ing, is

is striv - ing, is

is striv - ing, is

increasing in power to end
poco accel.

p

div. *p* *poco accel.*

p *poco accel.*

p *poco accel.*

increasing in power to end
p *poco accel.*

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div.

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very broadly to the end

fff

striv - ing, striv - ing, striv - ing, is striv - ing af - ter God.

unis.

very broadly to the end

fff

div.

striv - ing, striv - ing, striv - ing, is striv - ing af - ter God.

very broadly to the end

fff

div.

striv - ing, striv - ing, striv - ing, is striv - ing af - ter God.

very broadly to the end

fff

striv - ing, striv - ing, striv - ing, af - ter God.

very broadly to the end

fff

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