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The elements of the sun,
called Phoenixes and Chalkydri
break into song,
therefore every bird flutters with its wings,
rejoicing at the giver of light,
and they broke into song at the command of the Lord.
The giver of light comes
to give brightness to the whole world,
and the morning guard takes shape,
which is the rays of the sun,
and the sun of the earth goes out,
and receives its brightness
to light up the whole face of the earth.

—*The Book of the Secrets of Enoch*, chapter 15
Trans. Robert Henry Charles, 1913



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Allegro ♩ = c.84

f trumpet-like
Alto The el-e-ments of the sun, the el-e-ments of the sun,
f trumpet-like
Tenor The
f trumpet-like
Tenor The el-e-ments of the sun, the el-e-ments of the sun,
f trumpet-like
Bass The el-e-ments of the sun,
f trumpet-like
Bass The el-e-ments of the sun, the el-e-ments of the

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A. the el-e-ments of the sun, the
T. el-e-ments of the sun, the el-e-ments of the sun, the
T. the el-e-ments of the sun, the
B. the el-e-ments of the sun, the el-e-ments of the sun,
B. sun, the el-e-ments of the sun,

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A. el-e-ments of the sun, called Phoe-nix - es and Chal-ky - dri

T. el-e-ments of the sun, called Phoe - nix - es and Chal - ky - dri

T. el-e-ments of the sun, called Phoe - nix - es and Chal - ky - dri

B. the el-e-ments of the sun, called Phoe - nix - es and Chal - ky - dri

B. the el-e-ments of the sun, called Phoe - nix - es and Chal - ky - dri

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A. break in-to song, there - fore ev' - ry bird flut-ters with its

T. break in-to song, there - fore ev' - ry bird flut-ters with its wings,

T. break in-to song, there - fore ev' - ry bird

B. break in-to song, flut-ters with its wings

B. break in-to song,

27

A. wings, flut-ters with its wings,

T. there - fore ev' - ry bird flut-ters with its wings,

T. flut-ters with its wings, flut-ters with its wings,

B. flut-ters with its wings

B. flut-ters with its wings, flut-ters with its

30

A. there - fore ev' - ry, ev' - ry bird flut-ters with its wings,

T. ev' - ry, ev' - ry bird flut-ters with its wings,

T. flut-ters with its wings, ev' - ry bird flut-ters with its wings,

B. flut-ters with its wings, there - fore ev' - ry, ev' - ry bird flut-ters with its

B. wings, there - fore ev' - ry, ev' - ry

34

A. flut-ters with its wings, flut-ters with its wings,

T. flut-ters with its wings, flut-ters with its wings, re -

T. flut-ters with its wings,

B. wings, flut-ters with its wings, flut-ters with its

B. bird flut-ters with its wings,

38

A. re - joic - ing, re - joic - ing at the giv - er of light, the

T. joic - ing, re - joic - ing, re - joic - ing, re - joic - ing at the giv - er of light, at the giv - er of light,

T. re - joic - ing, re - joic - ing, re - joic - ing at the giv - er of light, the

B. wings, re - joic - ing at the giv - er of light

B. re - joic - ing at the giv - er of light,

47

A. *giv-er of light, the giv-er of light, of light*

T. *giv - er of light, giv - er of light and they*

T. *giv-er of light, giv - er of light*

B. *the giv-er of light, of light and they*

B. *light, giv - er of light,*

57

A. *and they broke in-to song at the com mand of the Lord. The giv-er of light.*

T. *broke in-to song at the com mand of the Lord. The giv-er of light.*

T. *and they broke in-to song at the com mand of the Lord.*

B. *broke in-to song at the com mand of the Lord. The giv-er of light.*

B. *and they broke in-to song at the com mand of the Lord.*

67

A. *comes to give bright-ness to the whole world, the giv-er of light comes to give*

T. *comes to give bright-ness to the whole world, the giv-er of light comes to give*

T. *the giv-er of light comes to give*

B. *comes to give bright-ness to the whole world, the giv-er of light comes to give*

B. *The giv-er of light comes to give*

80

A. *f*
 bright-ness to the whole world, and the morn ing guard takes shape, which is the rays of the sun, —

T. *f*
 bright-ness to the whole world, and the morn ing guard takes shape, which is the rays of the sun, —

T. *f*
 bright-ness to the whole world, and the morn ing guard takes shape, which is the rays of the sun, —

B. *f*
 bright-ness to the whole world, and the morn ing guard takes shape, — the rays of the sun, the

B. *f*
 bright-ness to the whole world, and the morn-ing guard takes shape, — the rays of the sun, the

91

A. *p tenderly*
 — the sun, — the sun, — and the sun_ of the earth goes out, — the

T. *p* *p tenderly*
 — the sun, — the sun, — the sun, — the sun — of the

T. *p* *p tenderly*
 — the sun, — the sun, — the sun, — and the sun_ of the earth goes

B. *p tenderly*
 sun, — the sun, — the sun, — and the sun, — the sun of the

B. *p*
 sun, — the sun, — the sun, —

102

A. *poco a poco crescendo*
 sun_ of the earth goes out, ev' - ry bird flut-ters with its wings, —

T. *poco a poco crescendo*
 earth — goes out, and the sun_ of the earth goes out, — the sun_ of the

T. *poco a poco crescendo*
 out, and re- ceives — its bright - ness, re ceives — its bright -

B. *poco a poco crescendo*
 earth — goes out, — and the sun_ of the earth goes out,

B. *p tenderly* *poco a poco crescendo*
 and — the sun, — the sun of the earth —

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A. flut-ters with its wings, and the sun_ of the earth goes out, the sun_ of the earth goes

T. earth goes out, and re- ceives

T. - - - ness, and the sun_ of the earth goes out, and the

B. and re - ceives its bright - ness, ev - ry bird flut-ters with its wings, -

B. - goes out, and the sun, the sun of the earth goes

120

A. out, and the sun_ of the earth goes out, the sun_ of the earth goes

T. its bright - ness, its bright - -

T. sun_ of the earth goes out, and the sun_ of the earth goes out,

B. ev' - ry bird flut-ters with its wings, and the

B. out, and the sun, the sun of the earth goes

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A. out, to light up, to light up the whole_ face of the earth. rit. - - - - -

T. ness, to light up, to light up the whole_ face of the earth.

T. to light up, to light up the whole_ face of the earth.

B. sun_ of the earth goes out, to light up the whole_ face of the earth.

B. out, to light up, to light up the whole_ face of the earth.