

JS-082 / Blessing / 2-part: any voice comb., pno / dur: 2'30"

J O A N S Z Y M K O

BLESSING

*Just to be is a blessing
Just to live is holy*

JOAN SZYMKO MUSIC

Blessing

quote by
Rabbi Abraham Heschel*

Joan Szymko

not too slowly ♩=96

Pno. *p* *legato*

5 *with humility and joy* *mp*

I Just to be _____ is a bless - ing,

II _____ *p* _____ *mp* Just to be _____ is a bless - ing,

mp

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just to live _____ is ho - ly.

_____ just to live _____ is ho - ly.

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*Abraham Heschel (1907-1972) was a Polish born American rabbi and a leading Jewish theologian of the 20th century. He is also widely read and influential outside of the Judaism. Heschel believed and argued that religious experience is a fundamentally human impulse, not just a Jewish one and that no religious community could claim a monopoly on religious truth. For composer bio, see <joanszymko.com>

13 *mf*

I Just to be is a bless - ing,

II *p* Just to be is a bless - ing, *mp*

17 *mp*

just to live is ho - ly. Just to be is a

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Just to live is ho - ly. *p*

cresc.

21 *mf*

bless - ing, bless - ing, Just to be is a bless - ing.

mp *mf*

Just to be is a bless - ing, bless - ing,

mf *dim.*

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I Just to live is ho - ly Just to be

II just to live is ho - ly.

p *mp* *mp* *p*

31

is a bless - ing. Just to live

Just to be is a bless - ing.

mp

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is ho - ly. Is ho - ly.

Just to live is ho - ly.

rit. *rit.* *pp*