



WHEN DAVID HEARD

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The text is from the Biblical verse, 2 Samuel 18:33 which records King David's reaction to the news that his son Absalom, who had rebelled against him, had been killed.

*When David heard that Absalom was slain
He went up to his chamber over the gate and wept,
and thus he said: my son, my son, O Absalom my son, would God I had died for thee!*

Appreciation to Mila Skeeles and Dr. Benjamin Cornelius-Bates.

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for 2 part mixed choir and keyboard

2 Samuel 18:33 KJV (adapt.)

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♩ = 89

Treble

Baritone

Keyboard

mp

mp

When Da - vid

When Da - vid

6

heard. When Da - vid heard that Ab - sa - lom was slain,

heard. When Da - vid heard that Ab - sa - lom was slain,

11

he went up to his cham - ber o - ver the gate _____ and wept,

he went up to his cham - ber o - ver the gate _____ and wept,

16

mf

When Da - vid heard. When Da - vid heard that Ab - sa - lom

mf

When Da - vid heard that Ab - sa - lom, Ab - sa - lom was

mf

21

was slain, he went up to his cham - ber o - ver the gate and wept,
— slain he went up to his cham - ber o - ver the gate and wept,

26

p *cresc.* *mf*
and wept, and wept, and wept, and wept, and
p *cresc.* *mf*
and wept, and wept, and wept, and wept, and thus he

32

thus he said: my son, my son, my son Ab - sa - lom

said: my son, my son Ab - sa - lom

37

f my son, would God I had died, for

f my son, would God I had died, for

f

rit......

rit......

a tempo

41

thee!

thee!

a tempo

mp

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