

# Sons of Martha

## A Song of Dusk

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**Voice & Piano**

**Piano**

$\text{♩} = 100$

The Sons of Ma - ry

seldom bother, for they have in-her-it-ed that good part; But the Sons of Martha

favour their Mother of the careful soul and the troubled heart. And because she

lost her temper once, and because she was rude to the Lord her Guest, Her Sons must wait upon

Mary's Sons, world without end, reprieve, or rest.

$\text{♩} = 110$

It is their care in all the ages to take the buffet and cushion the

shock. It is their care that the gear en - gages; it is their care that the switches lock.

2  
72

V&P

It is their care that the wheels run truly; it is their care to embark and en-train, Tal-ly,

P

82

V&P

transport, and de - li - ver du - ly the Sons of Ma-ry by land and main. They

P

92

V&P

say to mountains, "Be ye removed" They say to the lesser floods "Be dry." Under their rods are the

P

102

V&P

rocks reprov'd; they are not a - fraid of that which is high. Then do the hill tops

P

112

V&P

shake to the summit; then is the bed of the deep laid bare, That the Sons of Mary may overcome it,

P

122

V&P

pleasantly sleeping and un - a - ware. They do not

P

$\text{♩} = 120$

133

V&P

preach that their God will rouse them a lit - tle be - fore the nuts work loose. They do not

P

142  
V&P teach that His Pity al - lows them to leave their job when they damn well choose. As  
P

152  
V&P in the thronged and the lighted ways, so in the dark and the desert they stand, Wa-ry and  
P

161  
V&P watchful all their days that their brethren's days may be long in the land. To  
P

171  
V&P these from birth is Belief for-bidden; from these till death is Re-lief a-far. They are concerned with  
P

181  
V&P mat-ters hidden; un-der the earthline their al-tars are The sec-ret  
P

191  
V&P fountains to fol - low up, wa-ters with-drawn to restore to the mouth, And gather the floods as  
P

200  $\text{♩} = 100$   
V&P in a cup, and pour them a - gain at a ci - ty's drouth. And the Sons of  
P

4  
210

V&P

Ma-ry smile and are blessed; they know the angels are on their side. They know in them is the

P

219

V&P

Grace confessed, and for them are the Mer-cies mul-ti - plied. They sit at the Feet; they hear the

P

228

V&P

Word; they see how tru-ly the Promise runs. They have cast their burden up-on the Lord,

P

238

V&P

and the Lord He lays it on Martha's Sons!

P

♩ = 130