

Sons of Martha
A Song of Dusk

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1 = 100

Voice & Piano

Piano

The Sons of Ma-ry seldom

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V&P

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

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V&P

Mother of the care-ful soul and the troubled heart. And because she lost her

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V&P

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

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V&P

1 = 110

Sons, world without end, reprieve, or rest.

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V&P

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

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V&P

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

P

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V&P

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

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V&P

li-ver du-ly the Sons of Mary by land and main. They say to mountains, "Be ye re-

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V&P

moved" They say to the lesser floods "Be dry." Under their rods are the rocks reproved; they are not a -

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V&P

fraid of that which is high. Then do the hill tops shake to the summit; then is the

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V&P

bed of the deep laid bare, That the Sons of Ma-ry may overcome it, pleasantly sleeping and un-a -

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V&P

ware. They do not preach that their God will rouse them

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V&P

a lit-tle before the nuts work loose. They do not teach that His Pity al-lows them to leave their

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V&P

job when they damn well choose. As in the thronged and the lighted ways, so in the

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V&P

dark and the desert they stand, Wa-ry and watchful all their days that their brethren's days may be

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V&P

long in the land. To these from birth is Belief forbidden; from these till death is Re-

P

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V&P
P

lief a-far. They are concerned with matters hidden; under the earthline their altars are

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V&P
P

The se-cret fountains to fol-low up, waters withdrawn to restore to the mouth, And

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V&P
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gather the floods as in a cup, and pour them a - gain at a ci - ty's drouth.

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V&P
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And the Sons of Mary smile and are blessed; they know the angels are on their side. They know in

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

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

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