

Ach Herr, wie lang willst du denn noch

SWV 109 | Psalm 13

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Heinrich Schütz (1585–1672)
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1 Ah, Lord, how long wilt Thou de - cide Thus to for - get me ut - ter - ly?
2 Look, Lord, and hear my pray'r of faith, In mer - cy light - en Thou mine eyes,
3 My hope and trust are set a - lone Up - on the rich - es of Thy grace;

How long? And where - fore dost Thou hide Thy gra - cious coun - te - nance from me?
Lest e'er I sleep the sleep of death, And lest mine en - e - my a - rise
My heart shall al - so joy to own That Thou dost help in eve - ry case;

How long my soul feel grief with - in, How long my heart's dis - tress in - crease,
And say he doth o'er me pre - vail, If Thou not save from mis - er - y;
There - fore I will sing un - to Thee With ho - ly psalms and hymns of praise;

How long my foes to my cha-grin Ex - alt them-selves and steal my peace?
He shall re - joice to see me fail, When he with force de - feat - - - eth me.
Since Thou wast boun - ti - ful to me; I owe Thee thanks for all my days!