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dreams

FOR BRASS QUINTET

- I. IN VISIONS OF THE DARK NIGHT**
- II. AH! WHAT IS NOT A DREAM BY DAY**
- III. A LONELY SPIRIT GUIDING**
- IV. THRO' STORM AND NIGHT**

Edgar Allan Poe (1809-1849)

A Dream

In visions of the dark night
I have dreamed of joy departed--
But a waking dream of life and light
Hath left me broken-hearted.

Ah! what is not a dream by day
To him whose eyes are cast
On things around him with a ray
Turned back upon the past?

That holy dream--that holy dream,
While all the world were chiding,
Hath cheered me as a lovely beam
A lonely spirit guiding.

What though that light, thro' storm and night,
So trembled from afar--
What could there be more purely bright
In Truth's day-star?

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