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To the University of Virginia Glee Club, in memory of the Father of the University

# *The Testament of Freedom*

for chorus of men's voices and orchestra or band

Thomas Jefferson  
(1743-1826)

## I. The God who gave us life

Randall Thompson  
(1899-1984)

**TENOR I** **TENOR II** **BASS I** **BASS II** **PIANO**

*Largo* (♩ = 60) *Moderato, ma con fuoco* (♩ = 72)

*f* *f* *f* *f*

The God who gave us life gave us  
The God who gave us life gave us  
The God who gave us life gave us  
The God who gave us life gave us

*Largo* (♩ = 60) *Moderato, ma con fuoco* (♩ = 72)

*f* *marcato* *f*

*col Pedale*

lib-er-ty at the same time, at the same time; the hand of force may de-  
lib-er-ty at the same time, at the same time; the hand of force may de-  
lib-er-ty at the same time, at the same time; the hand of force may de-  
lib-er-ty at the same time, at the same time; the hand of force may de-

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stroy, the hand of force may de- stroy but can - not dis -

stroy, the hand of force may de- stroy but can - not dis -

stroy, the hand of force may de- stroy but can - not dis -

stroy, the hand of force may de- stroy but can - not dis -

\* \* \* \* \*

join them, can - not dis - join them, can - not,

join them, can - not dis - join them, can - not,

join them, can - not dis - join them, can - not,

join them, can - not dis - join them, can - not,

\* \* \* \* \*

②

can - not dis - join them. \_\_\_\_\_

can - not dis - join them. \_\_\_\_\_

can - not dis - join them. \_\_\_\_\_

can - not dis - join them. \_\_\_\_\_

*f*

\*Ped. \*Ped.\*Ped. \*Ped.\*Ped.\*Ped. \*Ped. \*Ped.

③

*mf*

The

*mf*

The

*ff* *sfz* *mf*

\*Ped. \*Ped. \*Ped. \*Ped. \*

God who gave us life gave us lib-er-ty at the same time, at the

God who gave us life gave us lib-er-ty at the same time, at the

*p* (4) *mp*  
the hand of force may de- stroy, — the hand of force may de-

*p* *mp*  
the hand of force may de- stroy, — the hand of force may de-

*p* *mp*  
same time; the hand of force may de- stroy, — the hand of force may de-

*p* *mp*  
same time; the hand of force may de- stroy, — the hand of force may de-

*And. \*And. \*And. \*And. \*And. \*And.*

sroy but can - not dis - join them, can - not dis -  
 sroy but can - not dis - join them, can - not dis -  
 sroy but can - not dis - join them, can - not dis -  
 sroy but can - not dis - join them, can - not dis -

join them, can - not, can - not dis - join  
 join them, can - not, can - not dis - join  
 join them, can - not, can - not dis - join  
 join them, can - not, can - not dis - join

\*Led. \*Led. \*Led. \*Led. \*Led. \*Led. \*Led. \*Led.  
 \*Led. \*Led. \*Led. \*Led. \*Led. \*Led. \*Led. \*Led.

(l.h.)