

COURAGE

Three-Part Mixed, accompanied, with optional Baritone

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Range:



Time: Approx. 3:36

*Difficulty: Moderate

Performance Notes

When we hear the word “courage,” we typically think of super heroes or people who do extraordinary things. Courage in this song, though, is the inner strength that each of us must find to overcome the challenges of daily life.

When singing this song, be sure to watch the director closely and allow the director to take liberty with the tempo. There are times the tempo will need to push forward, while at other times it should pull back. Watch carefully and allow your director to lead you through this.

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for the 2010 Freshman Honor Choir, Middle Tennessee Vocal Association,
Mr. Gerald Patton, Choir Chair

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(♩ = 76)

Piano accompaniment for measures 1-3. The music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The right hand plays a steady eighth-note chordal pattern. The left hand has a whole rest in measure 1, followed by a descending eighth-note line in measures 2 and 3.

Piano accompaniment for measures 4-6. The right hand continues the eighth-note chordal pattern. The left hand features a melodic line with a half-note rest in measure 5.

Vocal and piano accompaniment for measures 7-9. The vocal part (Soprano/Alto) has a whole rest in measure 7, followed by the lyrics "Cour - age lives in a" in measure 8. The piano accompaniment continues with the eighth-note chordal pattern in the right hand and a simple bass line in the left hand.

qui-et place, Cour-age lives.



Deep in - side the storm - y soul, Cour-age lives.



Qui-et - ly at close of day, Cour-age



says, "To - mor - row try a - gain." In



21

spite of fear, ev-en through the tears, Cour-age lives.

24

I

Cour-age lives in a lone-ly place,

II

Cour - age lives, cour - age

III

Cour - age lives, cour - age

Bar. (opt.)

Cour - age lives, cour - age

Cour-age lives. When all else has—

lives. Cour - age

lives. Cour - age

lives. Cour - age

gone a-way, Cour-age lives. *mf* Not

lives, cour - age lives, cour - age lives. *mf* Not

lives, cour - age lives, cour - age lives. *mf* Not

lives, cour - age lives, cour - age lives. Not

33

drowned by tears, ov - er - com - ing fears, cour - age

drowned by tears, ov - er - com - ing fears, cour - age

drowned by tears, ov - er - com - ing fears, cour - age

drowned by tears, cour - age

35

says, Keep mov - ing on, *subito p* Go - ing

says, Keep mov - ing on, *subito p* Go - ing

says, Keep mov - ing on,

says, Keep mov - ing on,

37 *poco a poco cresc.*

Cour - age lives.

step by step by step by step by step by

Keep. mov-ing on, Cour - age_

Step by step

poco a poco cresc.

40

Mov - ing_ on, un -

step by step by step by step by step by step by step un -

lives. Try_ a - gain, un -

Mov - ing on, un -

43

f *ff*

til the morn - ing comes.

f *ff*

til the morn - ing comes.

f *ff*

til the morn - ing comes.

f *ff*

'til the morn - ing comes.

f *ff*

Read - y to face what lies a - head.

III
Bar.
(opt.)

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Read - y to step in - to the fu - ture, no

Read - y to step in - to the fu - ture, no

poco a poco decresc.

mat - ter what the fu - ture brings.

poco a poco decresc.

mat - ter what the fu - ture brings.

poco a poco decresc.

mp

And then in look-ing back you can see the path of

mp

And then in look-ing back you can see the path,

mp

56 *mf*

cour - age, of cour - age, of cour - age, of

mf

cour - age, cour - age, cour - age, of

mf

59

cour - age. Cour- age_

mp

cour - age. Cour-age lives in a qui-et place.

mp

lives. Step by step

Cour-age lives in a lone-ly place. Cour-age lives in your

Keep mov-ing on.

heart, Keep mov-ing on.

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