

Thou, Lord, by strictest search, hast known

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New Version of Tate and Brady (1696)

Hymn 12, by Phocion Henley (1728-64)

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Psalm 139 verses 1-8

Cheerful [♩=120]

Soprano [Air] Thou, Lord, by strict - est search, hast known My

Alto Thou, Lord, by strict - est search, hast known My

Tenor Thou, Lord, by strict - est search, hast known My

Bass Thou, Lord, by strict - est search, hast known My

Keyboard

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S ri - ing up and ly - ing down;

A ri - sing up and ly - ing down;

T ri - sing up and ly - ing down;

B ri - sing up and ly - ing down;

Kbd.

2. Thine eye my bed and path surveys,
My public haunts and private ways;
Thou know'st what 'tis my lips would vent,
My yet unuttered words' intent.

3. Surrounded by thy power I stand,
On every side I find thy hand;
O skill, for human reach too high!
Too dazzling bright for mortal eye!

4. O could I so perfidious be,
To think of once deserting thee,
How, Lord, could I thy influence shun?
Or whither from thy presence run?

5. If up to heaven I take my flight,
'Tis there thou dwell'st enthroned in light;
Or dive to hell's infernal plains,
'Tis there almighty vengeance reigns.

Bar 4 soprano note 1: ♩ in source.

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