

I am like a feather

for baritone, violin, guitar, and piano
words by Henry David Thoreau

Brooke Joyce (2005)

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I am like a feather floating in the atmosphere; on every side is depth unfathomable.

The water which so calmly reflects the fleeting clouds and the primeval trees I have never seen before. It may have washed some distant shore, or framed a glacier or iceberg at the north, when I last stood here.

My path hitherto has been like a road through a diversified country, now climbing high mountains, then descending to the lowest vales. From the summits I saw the heavens; from the vales I looked up to the heights again. In prosperity I remember God; in adversity I remember my own elevations, and only hope to see God again.

Journal of Henry David Thoreau, February 21, 1842

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for the Nietzsche Ensemble

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Gently Flowing $\text{♩} = 72$

Baritone

Violin

Guitar (tune low string to D)

Piano

7

Vln.

Gtr.

Pno.

con sord. pizz. arco pizz. arco

p *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

p *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

p *mp* *p* *mp* *p*

p + (dampen string) + (sim.)

Ped. (hold)

mf *mf* *mp*

(all guitar harmonics sound 8vb)

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(hold Ped.)

13 arco

gl.

f

f *p*

fp

18

without accent

p

without accent

p

(hold Ped.)