

“**Thus Saith the Lord / But who may Abide**”, *Messiah* (Georg Friedrich Händel – Charles Jennens)

Thus saith the Lord of Hosts:

[ðʌs seθ ðə lɔ:d ɒv hoʊsts

Yet once a little while, and I will shake

jet wʌns ə 'lɪtəl waɪl ænd aɪ wɪl ʃeɪk

the heavens, and the earth, the sea and the dry land,

ðə 'heɪvənz ænd ði ɜ:θ ðə si: ænd ðə draɪ lænd

and I will shake all nations,

ænd aɪ wɪl ʃeɪk ɔ:l 'neɪʃənz

and the desire of nations shall come.

ænd ðə dɪ'zaɪə(r) ɒv 'neɪʃənz ʃæl kʌm

The Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple,

ðə lɔ:d hu:m ji: si:k ʃæl 'sʌdnli kʌm tu hɪz 'tɛmpəl

even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in,

'i:vən ðə 'mɛsɪndʒər\_ɒv ðə 'kʌvənənt hu:m ji: dɪ'laɪt ɪn

behold, He shall come, saith the Lord of Hosts.

bɪ'hoʊld hi: ʃæl kʌm seθ ðə lɔ:d ɒv hoʊsts

But who may abide the day of His coming?

bʌt hu: meɪ ʌ'baɪd ðə deɪ ɒv hɪz 'kʌmɪŋ

And who shall stand when He appeareth?

ænd hu: ʃæl stænd wɛn hi: ʌ'piəreθ

For He is like a refiner's fire.

fɔ: hi: ɪz laɪk ə rɪ'faɪnəz 'faɪə]