

Oh Say, What Is Truth?

For choir with piano accompaniment

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Firmly

mf

f

5 *Men unis.* *mf*

1. Oh say, what is truth? 'Tis the fair - est gem That the rich - es of worlds can pro - duce, And

mp *mf*

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price - less the val - ue of truth will be when The proud mon - arch's cost - li - est di - a - dem Is

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S.A. *mf*

2. Yes,

T.B.

count - ed by dross and ref - use.

f *mp* *mf*

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say, what is truth? 'Tis the bright - est prize To which mor - tals or Gods can as - pire. Go

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search in the depths where it glit - ter - ing lies, Or as - cend in pur - suit to the

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Women unis. *f*

loft - i - est skies: 'Tis an aim for the no - blest de - sire. 3. The

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scep - tre may fall from the des - pot's grasp When with winds of stern jus - tice he copes. But the

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pil - ar of truth will en - dure to the last, And its firm - root - ed bul - warks out - stand the rude blast And the

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wreck of the fell ty - rant's hopes. 4. Then say, what is truth? 'Tis the last and the first, For the

Broaden
S.A. unis. f *39 a tempo*

T.B. unis.

Broaden *a tempo*
f

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lim - its of time it steps o'er. Tho' the heav - ens de - part and the earth's foun - tains burst, Truth, the

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sum of ex - is - tence, will weath - er the worst, E - ter - nal, un - changed, ev - er - more.

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