

## For behold, darkness... The people that walked in darkness

Accompanied recitative and air from the oratorio the *Messiah* (bass)

Text by *Charles Jennens* (1770-1773) [Br]

Set by *Georg Friedrich Händel* (1685-1759) [Gr / Br]

*10. Accompanied recitative: Isaiah 60: 2-3*

**For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,**  
[fɔɹ bɪ.'ho:ʊld 'dɑɹk.nə(ɪ)s ʃæl 'kʌv.ə ði ɜθ]

and gross darkness the people;  
but the Lord shall arise upon thee,  
and His glory shall be seen upon thee.  
And the Gentiles shall come to thy light,  
and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

*11. Air: Isaiah 9: 2*

The people that walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
and they that dwell in the land  
of the shadow of death,

---

The entire text to this title with the complete  
IPA transcription is available for download.

*Thank you!*

