

The Lamb

Text by *William Blake* (1757-1827) [Br], from *Songs of Innocence and Experience*

Set by *Ernst Bacon* (1898-1990) [Am], from *Quiet Airs*, #11; *William Bolcom* (1938-) [Am], from *Songs of Innocence*, #3; *Walter Joseph Buczynski* (1933-) [Ca], from *Cycle of Three Songs*, #2; *Theodore Ward Chanler* (1902-1961) [Am]; *Celius Dougherty* (1902-1986) [Am]; *Christian Victor Hely-Hutchinson* (1901-1947) [Br], [SA chorus and piano?], from *Five Songs of Innocence*, #2; *Lee Hoiby* (1926-2011) [Am], from *Two Songs of Innocence*, #2; *Elie Siegmeister* (1909-1991) [Am], from *Songs of Innocence*, #2; *Sir Arthur Somervell* (1863-1937), from *Five Songs of Innocence*, #4; *Sir Arthur Somervell* (1863-1937) [Br], in *New Songs for New Voices*; *Ralph Vaughan Williams* (1872-1958) [Br], from *Ten Blake Songs*, #5; *Maude Valérie White* (1855-1937) (Fr /Br), from *Two Songs of Innocence*, #2

Little Lamb, who made thee?
[ˈlɪt.əl læm hu me:ɪd ði]

Dost thou know who made thee?
[dɒst ðə:u no:u hu me:ɪd ði]

Gave thee life, and bid (bade) thee feed,
By the stream and o'er the mead;
Gave thee clothing of delight,
Softest clothing woolly, bright;
Gave thee such a tender voice,
Making all the vales rejoice?
Little Lamb, who made thee?
Dost thou know who made thee?

Little Lamb, I'll tell thee,
Little Lamb, I'll tell thee,
He is callèd by thy name,
For He calls Himself a Lamb.
He is meek, and He is mild:
He became a little child.
I a child, and thou a lamb,
We are callèd by His name.
Little Lamb, God bless thee!

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