

Wie der Hirsch schreiet nach frischem Wasser

Psalm 42,2 TVWV 10:7

Georg Phillip Telemann (1681 – 1767)

Translation and Pronunciation

/vi der hɪrʃ ʃraɪ-ət nax frɪʃəm vas:sə/

Wie der Hirsch schreiet nach frischem Wasser,
As the deer cries for fresh water

/zo ʃraɪ-ət maɪ-nə ze-lə gɔt nax di:ə/

So schreiet meine Seele, Gott, nach dir.
So cries my soul, God, after you.

Poetic Translation

As the hart cries for fresh water,
So my soul longs for you, God.

Recordings

This is a midi recording with a score that you can view as it plays. It is a step higher than we will sing, but you may find it helpful: <https://www.liederindex.de/songs/4388>

Program Notes

Wie der Hirsch schreiet nach frischem Wasser is a three-voice canon from the Baroque Era.

Analysis

Key: C minor (predominantly harmonic minor with the addition of a secondary dominant in the first phrase)

Meter: 4/4

Texture: polyphonic

Form: Three voice canon, voices entering at the interval of one measure