

Händel — *Messiah*

5. Thus saith the Lord (Recitative)

Bass Solo

The musical score is arranged in three systems. The first system includes Violino I, Violino II, Viola, Bass, and Basso Continuo. The second system includes V I, V II, V-la, B, and Bc. The third system includes V I, V II, V-la, B, and Bc. The Bass part is a solo recitative with lyrics: "Thus saith the Lord, The Lord of Hosts: Yet once, a lit-tle while, and I will shake the heav'ns and the earth, the sea and the dry land, and I will shake,". Performance markings include *senza rip.*, *f*, and *f senza fag.*. Measure numbers 4, 6, 8, and 10 are indicated.