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Lo V'Chayil

“Not by Strength”

Music by Arnold Harris

A Hebrew Song for the Chanukah Season



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Lo V'Chayil **(“Not by Strength”)**

The lyrics for this song come from the Book of Zechariah and are part of the Chanukah liturgy. They are read as part of the Chanukah religious service that references a lampstand of 7 lamps, in effect a vision of the menorah that relates to the holiday of Chanukah’s menorah of 8 lamps. The text of this is based on God’s explanation of its meaning, “Not by might, and not by power, but by My Spirit”.

Arnold Harris’ arrangement features a vigorous, powerful melody for “not by strength, and not by power”, repeating “not, not, not” with force. This is contrasted with a slow and peaceful setting for “but by My Spirit”.

Lyrics

Lo v’Chayil	Not by strength
V’ lo v’Choach	And not by power
Ki im b’ruchi	But by My Spirit

Pronunciation Guide For Hebrew

a	as in <i>ah</i>
e	as in <i>led</i>
i	as in <i>ski</i>
o	as in French <i>beau</i>
u	as in <i>zoo</i> (no diphthong)
ei	as in French <i>blasé</i>
ch	as in German <i>buch</i>
g	as in <i>good</i>
h	as in <i>house</i>
k	as in <i>kite</i>
s	as in <i>sound</i>
sh	as in <i>shoe</i>
ts	as in <i>hits</i>

Lo V'chayil

Text from Zechariah 4:6

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J = 90 With intensity

The musical score consists of six staves. The top staff is for the Piano, marked *mf*. The second staff is also for the Piano, marked *f*. The third staff is for the Soprano, the fourth for the Alto, the fifth for the Tenor, and the bottom staff for the Bass. All voices sing the word "Lo," followed by a comma and a short note. The piano continuo part (bottom two staves) is marked *mp*. Measure numbers 5 and 9 are indicated above the staves.

Piano { *mf*

Pno. { *f*

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Pno. { *mp*

2

15

Soprano: *lo!* *v' - cha-yil* *f* *mp* *lo, lo, lo!* *v' - lo* *f*

Alto: *lo!* *v' - cha-yil* *f* *mp* *lo, lo, lo!* *v' - lo* *v' -*

Tenor: *lo!* *v' - cha-yil* *f* *mp* *lo, lo, lo!* *v' - lo* *f*

Bass: *lo!* *v' - cha-yil* *v' -* *lo, lo, lo!* *v' - lo* *v' -*

Pno. *f* *mp* *f*

Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

21

cho-ach *Lo, lo* *v' - cha-yil* *cha-yil* *cha - yil!*

cho-ach *Lo, lo* *v' - cha-yil* *cha-yil* *cha - yil!*

cho-ach *v' -* *lo* *v' -*

cho - ach *v' -* *lo* *v' -*

Pno.

27

Soprano *mp*
 Lo_ lo v' - cha- yil_ v'__ lo v' - cho- ach__

Alto *mp*
 Lo, lo v' - cha- yil_ v' - lo v' - cho - ach

Tenor *mp*
 cho- ach_ cho- ach_ cho- ach!_ Lo_ lo v' - cha- yil_ v'__ lo v' - cho- ach__

Bass *mp*
 cho ach_ cho- ach_ cho- ach!_ Lo, lo v' - cha- yil_ v' - lo v' - cho ach__

Pno.

33 **A** $\text{♩} = 70$ With urgency

Soprano *f*
 lo_ lo v' - cha- yil_____

Alto *f*
 lo_ lo v' - cha- yil_____

Tenor *f*
 lo_ lo *f* v' - cha- yil_____

Bass *faster*
 lo_ lo v' - cha- yil_____

Pno.

40

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Pno.

lo lo v' - lo v' - cho - ach

lo lo v' - lo v' - cho - ach

lo lo v' - lo v' - cho - ach

lo lo v' - lo v' - cho - ach

f

47 **B** $\text{♩} = 90$ **mp**

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Pno.

lo lo lo v' - cha yil v' - lo v' - cho - ach

lo lo lo v' - cha yil v' - lo v' - cho - ach

lo lo lo v' - cha yil v' - lo v' - cho - ach

lo lo lo v' - cha yil v' - lo v' - cho - ach

mp

E

65

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Pno.

cho - ach, v' - cho - ach

v' - lo v' -

cho - ach, v' - cho - ach

v' - lo v' -

cho - ach, v' - cho - ach

v' - lo v' -

cho - ach, v' - cho - ach

v' - lo v' -

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

70

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Pno.

cha - yil v' - lo v' - cho ach

rit.

//

cha - yil v' - lo v' - cho ach

//

cha - yil v' - lo v' - cho ach

Ki

//

cha - yil v' - lo v' - cho ach

rit.

//

mf

mf

F

75

Soprano Alto Tenor Bass Pno.

mp

ki im, ki im, ki

im, ki im, ki im b'-ru - chi_____ ki im, ki im, ki

82

Soprano Alto Tenor Bass Pno.

im b'-ru - chi

mp

ki im b'-ru - chi

im b'-ru - chi

mp

ki im b'-ru - chi

ki

mp

ki im b'-ru - chi

ki

88

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Pno.

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$\text{d} = 70$

G *f*

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Pno.

105 $\text{J.} = 40$

Soprano: $\text{v}'\text{-cha-yil}$ ki im $\text{b}'\text{-ru-chi}$

Alto: $\text{v}'\text{-cha-yil}$ ki im $\text{b}'\text{-ru-chi}$

Tenor: lo $\text{v}'\text{-cha-yil}$ ki im $\text{b}'\text{-ru-chi}$

Bass: lo lo $\text{v}'\text{-cha-yil}$ ki im $\text{b}'\text{-ru-chi}$

Pno.: Slower

H //, p

114 $\text{J.} = 70$

Soprano: lo lo $\text{v}'\text{-lo}$ $\text{v}'\text{-cho-ach}$ ki

Alto: lo lo $\text{v}'\text{-lo}$ $\text{v}'\text{-cho-ach}$ ki

Tenor: lo lo $\text{v}'\text{-lo}$ $\text{v}'\text{-cho-ach}$ ki

Bass: lo lo $\text{v}'\text{-lo}$ $\text{v}'\text{-cho-ach}$

Pno.: f //, p

I f //, p

122 **J**

Soprano im b' - ru - chi _____ ki im b' - ru -

Alto im b' - ru - chi _____ ki im b' - ru -

Tenor im b' - ru - chi _____ ki im b' - ru -

Bass *mf* lo v' - cha - yil _____ v' - lo v' -

Pno.

128 *rit.*

Soprano chi ki im b' - ru - chi _____ ***pp***

Alto chi ki im b' - ru - chi _____ ***pp***

Tenor chi ki im b' - ru - chi _____ ***pp***

Bass *p* cho ach _____ ki im b' - ru - chi _____ ***pp***

Pno.