

V. THE HEART (IN THE DESERT)

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Largo ♩ = 60

from POEMS ON CRANE

S *solo mp* In the de - sert *f* I saw a crea - - ture

A

T *p* hmm

B *p* hmm

tutti mp rit. a tempo accel. $\frac{e}{3}$ cresc. poco a poco

na - ked bes - tial who squat - ting u - pon the ground held his heart in his

mp na - ked bes - tial oh held heart

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Andante ♩ = 90

hands and ate of it! S *pp* A hmm

Tenor solo (song speech)

hands and ate of it! *mp* I said is it good, friend?

hands ate of it! *p* hmm

hands ate of it! *p* hmm

S *mp*

It is bit - ter, bit - ter, but I like it be - cause it is

A *mp*

It is bit - ter bit - ter, bit - ter,

T *mp*

It is bit - ter, bit - ter, bit - ter,

B *mp*

It is bit - ter, bit - ter, bit - ter,

Tempo I

decresc. *pp*

bit - ter hmm

decresc. *pp*

bit - ter hmm

decresc. *pp*

bit - ter hmm

decresc. *pp*

bit - ter and be - cause it is my heart

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