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Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

# Erbarme dich

No. 3 from *Ich armer Mensch, ich Sündenknecht*, BWV 55  
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in D minor



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Er - bar - me - dich,

er - bar - me - dich, er - bar -

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- - me, er - bar - - me dich, lass die

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Trä - nen dich er - wei - chen, lass sie

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dir zu Her - zen rei - chen, er -

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-bar - - me, er-bar - me dich!

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-bar - - me, er-bar - me dich!

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Musical score for measures 18-19. The system consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part features a complex texture with multiple layers of sixteenth-note runs in the right hand and a steady eighth-note bass line in the left hand. The vocal line is mostly silent in these measures.

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Musical score for measures 19-20. Similar to the previous system, the piano accompaniment continues with intricate sixteenth-note patterns. The vocal line remains silent.

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Musical score for measures 20-21. The piano accompaniment continues. The vocal line is still silent.

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Er - bar - me dich,

Musical score for measures 21-22. The vocal line begins with the lyrics "Er - bar - me dich,". The piano accompaniment continues with its characteristic sixteenth-note texture.

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er - bar - me, er - bar - me dich, lass um

Musical score for measures 23-24. The vocal line continues with the lyrics "er - bar - me, er - bar - me dich, lass um". The piano accompaniment continues with its intricate texture.

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Je - su Chri - sti wil - len, dei - nen Zorn des Ei - fers stil - len; er -

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- bar - me dich, er - bar - me dich, er - bar - me dich!

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Lass, um Je - su Chri - sti

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wil - len, dei - nen Zorn des Ei - fers stil - len; er - bar - me

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dich, er - bar - me\_\_ dich, er - bar - me\_\_ dich, er -

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- bar - - - - - me, er-bar - me\_\_ dich!

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