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# Dismiss me not thy service, Lord

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The musical score is written for four voices: Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B). It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The score consists of two systems of staves. The first system shows the vocal parts with lyrics underneath. The second system shows the piano accompaniment with treble and bass staves. The music features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some rests and a final cadence.

1. Dismiss me not thy service, Lord,  
But train me for thy will:  
For even I, in fields so broad,  
Some duties may fulfil;  
And I will ask for no reward,  
Except to serve thee still.

2. How many serve, how many more  
May to the service come!  
To tend the vines, the grapes to store,  
Thou didst appoint for some;  
Thou hast thy young men at the war,  
Thy little ones at home.

3. All works are good, and each is best  
As most it pleaseth thee;  
Each worker pleases when the rest  
He serves in charity;  
And neither man nor work unblest  
Wilt thou permit to be.

4. Our master all the work hath done  
He asks of us today;  
Sharing his service, every one  
Share too his sonship may:  
Lord, I would serve and be a son;  
Dismiss me not, I pray.