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Eve Beglarian

FIVE THINGS

for spoken voice, flute, baritone sax,
and optional woodblocks

2001

EVVD Music
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Five Things was written on 23 October 2001. The text is Thomas Cleary's translation of a Song Dynasty (10th to 13th century) letter to a Zen Master named Xiang:

- What has been long neglected cannot be restored immediately.
- Ills that have been accumulating for a long time cannot be cleared away immediately.
- One cannot enjoy oneself forever.
- Human emotions cannot be just.
- Calamity cannot be avoided by trying to run away from it.

Anyone who has realized these five things can be in the world without misery.

From **Zen Lessons**, translated by Thomas Cleary, © 1989 by Thomas Cleary. Reprinted by arrangement with Shambhala Publications Inc., Boston, MA. www.shambhala.com.

While I originally envisioned the piece for flute, bassoon, and woodblock, it has been successfully performed by a number of different configurations of instruments. I'm open to you re-orchestrating it for your ensemble; let me know what you have in mind.

The visual artist Judson Wright has made a video to accompany live performances of the piece. Please contact me for more information about the video.

Five Things is November 14th in my ongoing project **A Book of Days**.

TRANSPosed SCORE

five things

flute/baritone sax version

eve beglarian
song dynasty zen lesson

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flute

bari sax

woodblock

• What has been long neglected cannot be restored immediately.

5

fl

sax

wb

9

fl

sax

wb

13

fl

sax

wb

17

fl

sax

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21

fl

sax

wb

25

fl

sax

wb

• Ills that have been accumulating for a long time cannot be cleared away immediately.

29

fl

sax

wb

33

fl

sax

wb

37

fl

sax

wb

41

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sax

wb

45

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sax

wb

• One cannot enjoy oneself forever.

49

fl

sax

wb

53

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sax

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57

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sax

wb

61

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69

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sax

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73

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sax

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77

fl

sax

wb

81

fl

sax

wb

85

fl

sax

wb

89

fl

sax

wb

93

fl

sax

wb

• Human emotions cannot be just.

97

fl

sax

wb

101

fl

sax

wb

105

fl

sax

wb

109

fl

sax

wb

113

fl

sax

wb

117

fl

sax

wb

121

fl

sax

wb

125

fl

sax

wb

129

fl

• Calamity cannot be avoided by trying to run away from it.

sax

wb

133

fl

sax

wb

137

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sax

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141

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sax

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145

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149

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sax

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153

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sax

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157

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161

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165

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169

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173

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sax

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177

fl

sax

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181

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sax

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185

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sax

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189

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sax

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193

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sax

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Anyone who has realized these five things can be in the world without misery.

197

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sax

wb

201

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sax

wb

205

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sax

wb

209

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sax

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213

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sax

wb

217

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sax

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221

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sax

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225

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229

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sax

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233

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