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Empty Eloquence

for String Quartet

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Violin

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Viola

Violoncello

Duration: Approximately 10 minutes

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“*Empty Eloquence* for string quartet was inspired by Ephesians 5:6 – ‘Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience’ (KJV). Focusing on the phrase ‘vain words’, I realized that there are several ways to musically express this concept. I determined, however, that the best way in this instance would be through the use of repetition, in both form and motive. Consequently, while these short movements lack the motivic development that is typically found in my music, I’m hopeful they will be no less entertaining.”

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric J. [unclear]". The signature is stylized and includes a vertical line through the middle of the name.