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## Kurt WEILL (1900–1950)

### The Eternal Road (highlights)

Sung in English

Play by Franz Werfel, English translation by Ludwig Lewisohn

**Constance Hauman**, soprano

**Barbara Rearick**, mezzo-soprano

**Hanna Wollschläger**, mezzo-soprano

**Ian DeNolfo**, tenor

**Karl Dent**, tenor

**Vale Rideout**, tenor

**Ted Christopher**, baritone

**James Maddalena**, baritone

**Rundfunk-Kinderchor Berlin** (Manfred Roost, chorus master)

**Ernst Senff Chor** (Sigurd Brauns, chorus master)

**Rundfunk-Sinfonieorchester Berlin**

**Gerard Schwarz**, conductor

**1–4      Act 1 excerpts**

**5–9      Act 2 excerpts**

**10–11    Act 3 excerpts**

**12–16    Act 4 excerpts**

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This world-premiere recording of scenes from Kurt Weill's rediscovered masterpiece *The Eternal Road* brings to life a major 20th-century work that was a sensation of the 1937 New York season. Originally conceived as a biblical pageant, a profound music-drama, and a theatrical extravaganza, *The Eternal Road* combines the legends of timeless Jewish heroes and heroines with the all-too-familiar story of persecution in Europe. Set against a richly colored backdrop, Weill's masterful score embodies the passions and aspirations of many dramatic characters in search of their Jewish Destiny.



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