

# The Secret Marriage

- An den kleinen Radioapparat -

As performed by Sting on his album "Nothing Like the Sun" (1987, A&M Records Inc.)

Original German lyrics by Bertolt Brecht

Music by Hanns Eisler

English lyrics by Sting

Arranged by Sting

*Andante, poco rubato*

**Piano**  
*mp*

**Voice**

**Bass**  
*mp*

No earth-ly church has ev - er blessed our un - ion; no state has ev - er grant - ed us per -  
No debt was paid, no dow - ry to be gained. No treat - y o - ver bor - der - land or

mis - sion. No fam - 'ly bond has ev - er made us two; no  
pow - er; no sem - blance of the world out - side re - mained to

com - pan - y has ev - er earned com - mis - sion. hour. The se - cret  
stain the beau - ty of this nup - tial

mar - riage vow is nev - er ' spo - ken; the se - cret mar - riage nev - er can be

bro - ken. No flow-ers on the al-tar; no white veil in your hair. No

mai-den dres-s to al-ter; no bi-ble oath to swear. The se-cret mar-riage vow

is nev-er spo-ken; the se-cret mar-riage nev-er can be

bro - ken. Ooh.

*rall.*  
*dim.*  
*rall.*  
*rall.*