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Composer Georg Frederick Handel was bankrupt in 1741 when a group of Dublin charities offered him a commission to write a musical work. It was for a benefit performance to raise funds to free men from the debtor's prison. He accepted the commission and gave himself tirelessly to work on it.

In just 24 days, Handel had composed the well-known masterpiece "Messiah" which contains the "Hallelujah!!" chorus. During this time, Handel seldom left his room and barely took the time to eat. At one point, his servant found him on his knees weeping great tears over his unfinished score. Recounting his experience, Handel wrote; "Whether I was in my body or out of it, I know not. God only knows." Afterward he also said; "I did imagine I did see all heaven before me and the great GOD Himself."

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