

How Far Is It to Bethlehem?

Adapted by and with original melodic material
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Rubato ♩ = ca. 86

Whistle (opt. Flt.) Solo freely *mp* *rit.* *a tempo* *rit.* *a tempo* *rit.*

Percussion Rain stick *pp* *p*

Violin 1 *pp* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Violin 2 *pp* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Viola *pp* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Cello *pp* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *mf*

String Bass *pp* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *mf*

div. *rit.* *a tempo* *unis.* *rit.* *Solo espressivo* *a tempo* *rit.*

Soli *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

div. $\frac{3}{4}$ *mf* *mf* *mp* *mf*

div. $\frac{2}{2}$ *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

div. *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

1 2 3 4 5 6

Solo Tranquil ♩ = 94 *mp* VERSE 1

Whistle

Perc. Sus. Cymbal struck w/ metal brush *p*

Piano Tranquil ♩ = 94

Vln. 1 *mp* *ppp* *mp* (End Solo)

Vln. 2 *mp* *ppp* *mp*

Vla. *mp* *ppp* *mp*

V.C. *mp* *ppp* *mp*

7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14

How Far...Bethlehem - Score - Page 2

Solo
we find the sta - ble-room Lit by a star? Can we see the lit - tle child, Is he with - in? If

Perc.
Bell Tree
mf

Piano

Vln. 1
mp *mf* *mp*

Vln. 2
mp *mf* *mp*

Vla.
mp *mf* *mp*

V.C.
p *mp* *mp*

15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22

Solo
we lift the wood - en latch May we go in? Will

Perc.
Sus. Cymbal
pp *mp*

Piano

Vln. 1
p *mp*

Vln. 2
p *mp*

Vla.
p *mp*

V.C.
p *mp*

23 24 25 26 27 28 29

How Far...Bethlehem - Score - Page 4

BRIDGE

Solo
far, how far, how far to Beth - le - hem? How far is it to Beth - le -

BGV's
How far is it to Beth - le -

Whistle
mp *mf*

Perc.

Piano

Vln. 1
div. *pp* *mp* *p* *mp* *mf* unis. *poco rit.*

Vln. 2
div. *pp* *mp* *p* *mp* *mf* unis.

Vla.
pp *mp* *p* *mp* *mf* Soli

V.C.
div. $\{ \frac{3}{1} \}$ *pp* *mp* *p* *mp* *mf* div. $\{ \frac{2}{2} \}$

S.B.
div. *pp* *mp* *p* *mp* *mf* unis.

47 48 49 50 51 52

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a tempo **VERSE 3**

Solo hem? Great kings have pre - cious gifts,

BGV's hem?

Whistle

Perc. Snare Drum *p* < *mp* *mp* < *mf* *mf*

Piano

Vln. 1 *a tempo* *p* *mf* *f* *regal* *mf*

Vln. 2 *p* *mf* *f* *regal* *mf*

Vla. *stately* *sub.mf* *cresc.* *f* *regal* *mf*

V.C. *stately* *sub.mf* *cresc.* *f* *regal* *mf*

S.B. *sub.mf* *cresc.* *f* *(h)*

53 54 55 56 57 58

How Far...Bethlehem - Score - Page 6

Solo
And we have naught. Lit-tle smiles and lit-tle tears Are all we have brought. For

BGV's
For

Whistle
Solo
mp

Perc.
mp

Piano

Vln. 1
tenderly
mp

Vln. 2
tenderly
mp

Vla.
tenderly
mp

V.C.
tenderly
mp

59 60 61 62 63 64

Solo
all wea-ry chil-dren Heav-en must weep. Here, on his bed of straw, Sleep, chil-dren,

BGV's
all wea-ry chil-dren Heav-en must weep.

Piano
(Vocal Cues through meas. 68) (Play)

Vln. 1
tutti
mf

Vln. 2
tutti
mf

Vla.
tutti
mf

V.C.
tutti
mf

65 66 67 68 69 70 71

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Solo
sleep. God in his mo - ther's arms, Babes in the byre,

Perc. *Bell Tree* *mp* *Mark Tree* *p*

Piano

Vln. 1 *p* *div.* *p*

Vln. 2 *p* *div.* *p*

Vla. *p* *Soli* *p* *mp* *p*

V.C. *p* *Soli* *p* *mp* *div.* *p*

S.B. *p*

72

73

74

75

76

77

Solo
Sleep, as they sleep who find Their heart's de - sire.

Whistle *Solo freely* *mp*

Piano

Vln. 1 *div.* *pp* *mp* *unis.*

Vln. 2 *div.* *pp* *mp* *unis.*

Vla. *Soli* *pp* *mp* *p*

V.C. *div* $\left\{ \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \right.$ *pp* *mp* *div* $\left\{ \begin{matrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{matrix} \right.$ *p*

S.B. *div.* *pp* *mp* *unis.* *p*

78

79

80

81

82

83

84

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Solo
How far is it to Beth - le - hem?

BGV's

Whistle
Solo freely
mp

Perc.
Sus. Cymbal
p f

Piano

Vln. 1
mp mf p Solo mp tutti p mp p

Vln. 2
mp mf p Solo mp tutti p mp p

Vla.
mp mf p div. p mp p

V.C.
mp mf p mp p

S.B.
mp mf p pizz. arco p

85 86 87 88 89 90 91