

HOW FAR IS IT TO BETHLEHEM?

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for Rebekah, Rachel, Esther, and Gracie Anderson

How Far Is It to Bethlehem?

for Two-part voices, accompanied

Frances Alice Chesterton,
alt. Chris Anderson

Traditional
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Bell-like ♩ = 88

ACCOMP. *mp*

3

6 PART I *mp* 7

How — far is it to Beth - le - hem,

PART II *mp*

How — far is it to Beth - le - hem,

7

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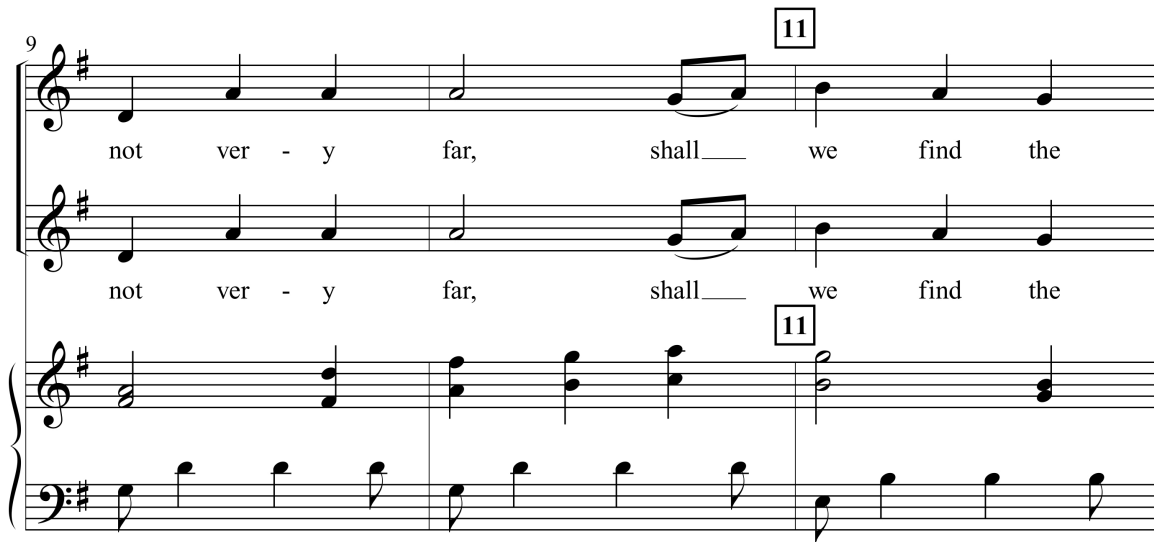
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not ver - y far, shall we find the

not ver - y far, shall we find the

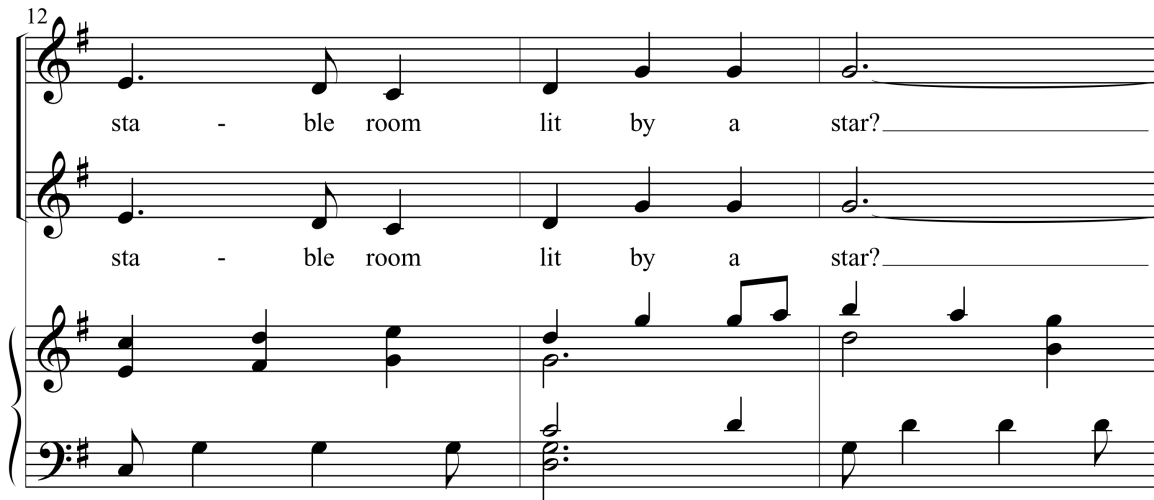
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sta - ble room lit by a star? _____

sta - ble room lit by a star? _____



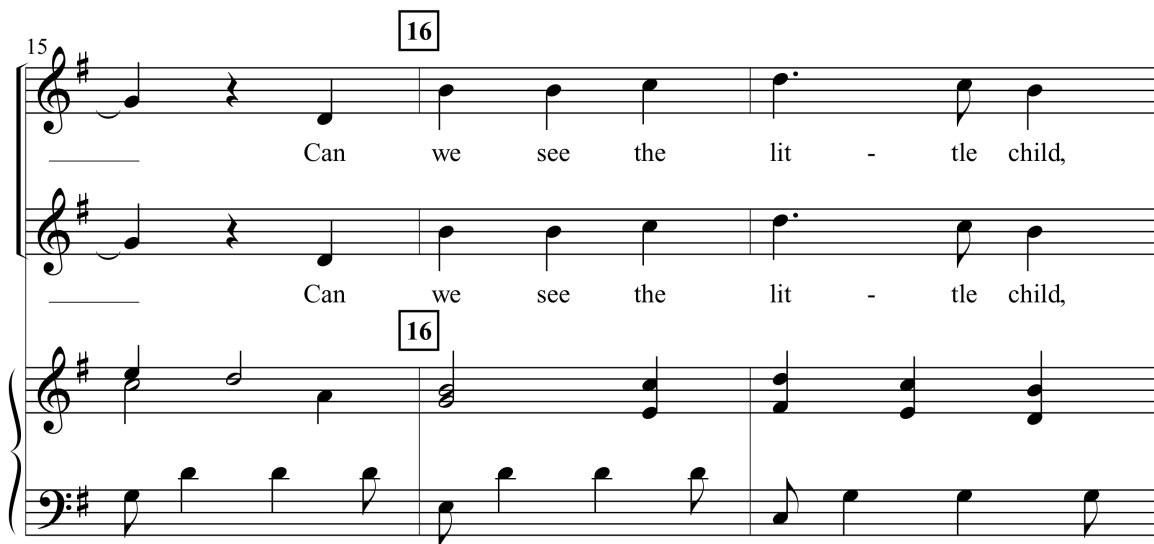
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16

Can we see the lit - tle child,

Can we see the lit - tle child,

16



18 20

is He with - in? If we lift the

is He with - in? If we lift the

20

21

wood - en latch, may we go in?

wood - en latch, may we go in?

24 *mf*

May

mf

May

mf



27

we pet the crea - tures there, ox - en or

27

we pet the crea - tures there, ox - en or

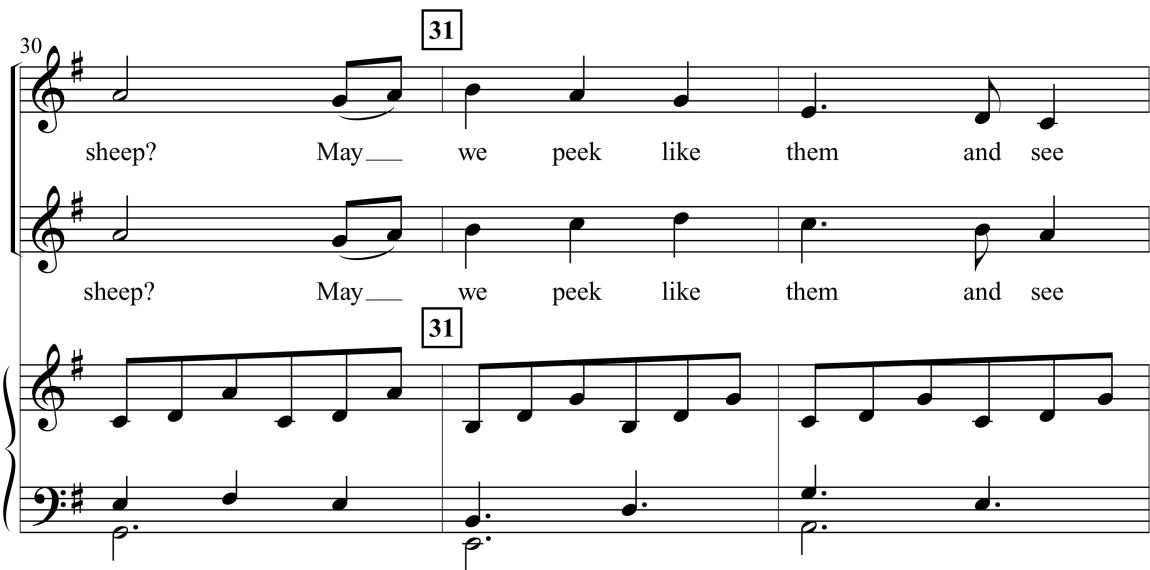


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sheep? May — we peek like them and see

sheep? May — we peek like them and see

31



33

Je - sus a - sleep? If

Je - sus a - sleep? If



36

we touch His ti - ny hand, will He a -

36

we touch His ti - ny hand, will He a -

39

wake? Will He know we've come so far

40

wake? Will He know we've come so far

40

42

just for His sake?

just for His sake?

cresc.



45 *f* 47

Great___ kings bring Him

f

Great___

47

48

pre - cious gifts but we do not, sweet___

kings bring gifts, but we do

51

51

smiles on our lit - tle lips are all we've

51 not, smiles are all we've



54 56

brought. For God in His

brought. For God in His

56

57

moth - er's arms, slum - bers so deep,

moth - er's arms, slum - bers so deep,

60 61

mp on this hum - ble bed of straw,

mp on this hum - ble bed of straw,

mp 61



63

sleep, Je - sus, sleep. How ____

sleep, Je - sus, sleep. How ____

66

66 *rit.* far is it to Beth - le - hem, not ver - y *p*

66 *rit.* far is it to Beth - le - hem, not ver - y *p*

66 far is it to Beth - le - hem, not ver - y *p*

69

far. _____

far. _____

rit. *pp* *8va*



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