

O. My Lord

Negro Spiritual Style

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mf

Shep-herds tend-in' flocks - that ho - ly night -

mf

Detailed description: This system contains the first two measures of the piece. The vocal line begins with a whole rest, followed by a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, C5, and a half note B4. The piano accompaniment starts with a half note G2, quarter notes A2, B2, and a half note C3. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C).

5

An - gels sing - in' "Glo - ri - a!" Star a shin-in' down - on Beth-'lem town -

Detailed description: This system contains measures 3 through 6. The vocal line continues with quarter notes D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, and a half note B4. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand. Measure 5 includes a dynamic marking of *mf*.

9

Glo - ry! Hal - le - lul O - - My Lord! - My Lord! -

f

Detailed description: This system contains measures 7 through 10. The vocal line has quarter notes G4, A4, B4, C5, and a half note B4. The piano accompaniment has a more active right hand with chords and moving lines. Measure 9 includes a dynamic marking of *f*.

13

Come to earth as de Bi - ble say - O - - My Lord! - My Lord! - We

mf

f

Detailed description: This system contains measures 11 through 14. The vocal line has quarter notes G4, A4, B4, C5, and a half note B4. The piano accompaniment continues with a similar texture. Measure 13 includes a dynamic marking of *mf*, and measure 14 includes a dynamic marking of *f*.

17

mf (Soloists w/grp response)

gon-na cel-e-brate to-day!

1. Who's de pret-ty ma-ma? Ma-ry-
2. Where'she gon-na lay Him? Man-ger-
3. What-can we give Him? Fol-low Him-

21

Who's de man be-side her? Jo-seph- What dey gon-na call Him?
 Who will come to see Him? Wise-men- What's He gon-na be? -
 What can I do for Him? Fol-low Him- Who we gon-na be like?

24

Je-sus! *f* ALL: Ve-ry spe-cial ba-by boy - O - - My Lord!
 Sa-vior! *mf*
 Je-sus!

28

My Lord! *mf* Come to earth as de Bi-ble say. *f* O - - My Lord!

32

mf 1.2. | 3. *f*

My Lord! - Gon-na cel-e-brate to - day! - O - - My Lord!

37

mf *f*

My Lord! Come to earth as de Bi-ble say. O - - My Lord! -

41

mp

My Lord! - We gon-na cel-e-brate to - day! - Ve-ry spe-cial ba-by

45

mf *f*

Ve-ry spe-cial ba - by Ve - ry spe-cial ba - by boy!