

If I Listen With My Heart

Duet or two-part choir, w/optional violin obbligato

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about $\bullet = 90$

mp

1 2 3 4

6 Violin

rit. a tempo mf

8

3 3 a tempo mf

10 12

p

Soprano/Alto voice(s): mp

If I had been a lit - tle child when Je - sus lived on

mp

14 16

earth, I would have liked to walk with Him and lis - ten to His



18 20

words, But as I search the scrip - tures I can hear His words of

mf rit. *a tempo* 22 24

peace, And if I lis - ten with my heart I hear the Sav - ior's

Violin *mp a tempo mf* 26 28 *rit.*

voice. *Tenor/Bass voice(s):*

a tempo 30 32

p

a tempo

hear a liv - ing__ pro - phet speak the things that Christ would__ say If__

a tempo (l.h. over)

34 36

He were here up - on the earth to talk with me to - day, The__

38 40 *mf*

pro - phet teach - es how to live in right - eous - ness and peace, And

mf

42 44 *mf*

if I lis - ten with my heart I hear the Sav - ior's voice.

46 48

(If no instrument is used, measures 47-54 may be omitted)

50 52

54 56

58 *f* *f* *f* 60 *f* *f*

mf

I feel the Ho - ly Spi - rit as he teach - es truth and

I feel the Ho - ly Spi - rit, As he teach - es

62 *f* *f* *f* 64 *f* *f*

right, He com - forts me in times of need, He tes - ti - fies of

truth and right, He com - forts me in times of need, He tes - ti - fies,

66 68

Christ, He speaks to me in quiet ways that fill my soul with

Tes - ti - fies of Christ in quiet ways that fill my soul with

The first system of the musical score features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a melodic phrase starting on a half note G4, moving through A4, B4, and C5. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines in both hands. Measure numbers 66 and 68 are indicated above the vocal staff.

70 72

rit.

peace, And if I listen with my heart

peace,

rit. mp

The second system continues the musical score. The vocal line has a fermata over the word "peace," at measure 70. The piano accompaniment includes a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand at measure 71. The system concludes with a fermata over the word "peace," at measure 72. Performance markings include *rit.* (ritardando) and *mp* (mezzo-piano).

74 *mp* *a tempo* 76

mp *a tempo*

if I lis - ten with my heart I hear the

a tempo

78 80

rit. *p*

Sav - ior's voice.

rit. *p*