

# When the Son of God Was Born

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♩ = 64 - 72

Solo

The musical score is written in 3/4 time and consists of four systems of vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in the upper staff of each system, and the piano accompaniment is in the lower two staves. The score includes dynamic markings such as *p*, *mf*, and *mp*. The lyrics are: "In the dark - ness o'er Ju - de - a, In the si - lence of the night, As Beth - le - hem lay dream - ing 'neath the still and star - ry skies, Ho - ly an - gels came re - joic - ing, Bright with glo - ry like the dawn, And set the hea - vens".



ten. 20 22

sing - ing when the Son of God was born.

ten. mf

Detailed description: This system contains the first two lines of music. The vocal line starts at measure 18 with a tenor clef and the lyrics 'sing - ing when the Son of God was born.' The piano accompaniment begins at measure 19 with a tenor clef and includes dynamic markings 'ten.' and 'mf'.

24 26

In the dark - ness o'er Ju - de - a, New - ly

mf

Detailed description: This system contains the third and fourth lines of music. The vocal line starts at measure 24 with the lyrics 'In the dark - ness o'er Ju - de - a, New - ly'. The piano accompaniment continues from the previous system and includes a 'mf' dynamic marking.

29 31

kin - dled o'er the earth, A won - drous star was gleam - ing to pro -

Detailed description: This system contains the fifth and sixth lines of music. The vocal line starts at measure 29 with the lyrics 'kin - dled o'er the earth, A won - drous star was gleam - ing to pro -'. The piano accompaniment continues from the previous system.

33 35

claim Mes - si - ah's birth, And as wise men came a - seek - ing, Hea - ven's

Detailed description: This system contains the seventh and eighth lines of music. The vocal line starts at measure 33 with the lyrics 'claim Mes - si - ah's birth, And as wise men came a - seek - ing, Hea - ven's'. The piano accompaniment continues from the previous system.

37 39 *ten.*

light went on be - fore, And set their hearts a - sing - ing when the

41 43

Son of God was born.

45 47 *rit.* *p*

In the

*a tempo* 50 52

sha - dows of a sta - ble, In a man - ger, sweet with hay, The

*8va*  
*pp*  
*a tempo*

54 *rit.* 56 *mf*

Ho - ly Child lay sleep - ing 'ere the com - ing of the day, And the

*8va*

*rit.* *mf*

*a tempo* 58 60

light of love de - scend - ing 'round the cra - dle of the Lord

*a tempo*

*rit.* 62 *a tempo mp* 64

Set the world a - sing - ing when the Son - of God was

*rit.* *a tempo mp*

66 68

born.

*p* *rit.* *pp*