

Herod the Ruler

Matthew 2:3-8
Micha 5:2

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♩ = 136 with intensity

S. *pp*
Her-od the ru - ler said to the Ma - gi, come back this way and t where to find Him.

A. *pp*
Her-od the ru - ler said to the Ma - gi, come back this ill me where to find Him.

T. *pp*
Her-od the ru - ler said to the Ma - gi, come ay and tell me where to find Him.

B. *pp*
Her-od the ru - ler said to the Ma - gi, ack this way and tell me where to find Him.

5

(mm) *ppp* For *mp*

(mm) *p* Foh*__

mp over enunciate Care-ful - ly the Ba - by. Care-ful - ly search for the Child. *p* Foh*__

(mm) *ppp* For *mp*

*open "oh" vowel

A (always bring out the new text)

9

so it has been writ - ten, for so it has been writ - ten, for so it has been writ - ten by_

so it has been writ - ten, for so it has been writ - ter it has been writ - ten by_

12

mp

the an - cient pro - phet. So it has be en, for so it has been writ - ten, for

mp

So it writ - ten, for so it has been writ - ten, for

pp

ly look for the Ba - by.

the an - cient pro

15

mf

so it has been writ - ten man - y years a - go. Oh, Beth - le - hem,_

mp

so it has been writ - ten man - y years a - go. For so it has been writ - ten, for

-ful - ly search for the Child. Hm*_

Care - ful - ly look for the Child. Hm*_

*hum as loud as possible

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in the land of Ju - dah, from out of you_ will come a Coun - se - lor.

so it has been writ - ten, for so it has been writ - ten man - y go. For

mp

21 *mf*

Oh, Beth-le- hem, in the land of , from out of you_ will come a

so it has been writ - ten, for so it has been writ - ten, for so it has been writ - ten man -

mp

Care-ful - ly look for the F Care-ful - ly search for the

mp

Her - od the ru - le to the Ma - gi, "Come - back this way and tell -

B ♩ = 138 (quicken)

24 *mf*

Coun - se - lor. Oh, Beth - le - hem, in the land of Ju - dah,

mf

s a - go. For so it has been writ - ten, for so it has been writ - ten, for

mf

d.

mf

me where to find Him. Her - od the ru - ler said to the Ma - gi, "Come

27

C *mp*

from out of you will come a Coun - se - lor. Oo

so it has been writ - ten man - y years a - go. Oo

mf Corr to me so that

baritones
back this way and tell me where to find Him. back to me so that

basses
back this way and tell me where to fir Come back to me so that

31

mf Oh, Beth - le hem, in the land of Ju - dah,

mf For so it has been writ ten, for so it has been writ - ten, for

f I may wor-ship Him. Care-ful - ly look for the Ba - by.

f and wor-ship Him. Her - od the ru - ler said to the Ma - gi, come

f I may go and wor-ship Him. Come back to me so that

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from out of you will come a Coun - se - lor.

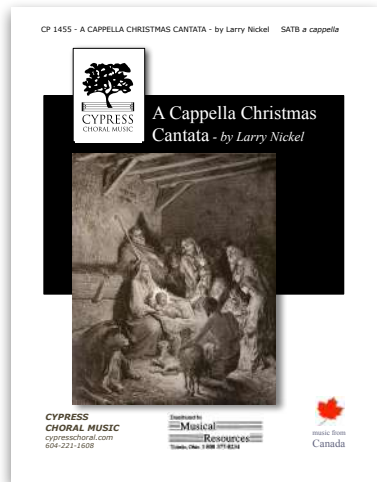
so it has been writ - ten man - y years a - go.

Care - ful - ly search for the Child.

back this way and tell me where Him.

I may go and wor Him.

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- **15 movements** give a unique and compelling of the Christmas story, from ancient prophecy to .aculate conception and until the Holy Child was two yr
- **Texts** include scripture and poetry by Herbert and William Blake.
- **written for** accomplished choirs and approachable - with intuitive voice leading and sweet registers.
- one can order the **complete book** **individual movements**
- total duration** - 35 minutes

- 1) **First Fruits**
- 2) **Behold, A Great Light**
- 3) **Break Forth, O Beautiful**
- 4) **Mary Treasured All Things**
- 5) **Joseph's Dream**
- 6) **Caesar Augustus**
- 7) **No Room**
- 8) **The Gifts**
- 9) **Time of Great Joy**
- 10) **Behold the Ruler**
- 11) **Joseph's Dream - part two**
- 12) **There's a Cry Over Bethlehem**
- 13) **Joseph Made a Treasure Box**
- 14) **Little Lamb, Who Made Thee?**
- 15) **Behold, a Great Light - reprise**



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