

Like the Stars of the Sky is from Cantata 160  
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# Like the Stars of the Sky

for SATB choir, piano and optional C instrument

Based on  
Genesis 12:2, 15:5-6, 17:16b

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*♩ = 72 Moderato espressivo*

The musical score is written in 6/8 time with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). It features a piano accompaniment and a SATB choir part. The piano part begins with a *legato mp* marking. The choir part enters at measure 6 with the lyrics "Like the stars of the sky". A first ending bracket labeled 'A' spans measures 6-8. The choir continues with the lyrics "all ye nations shall be I will make you a nation, you will be". A second ending bracket labeled 'A' spans measures 10-12. A large diagonal watermark "PERUSAL SCORE ONLY - PLEASE DO NOT COPY" is overlaid across the score.

15

**B**

blest. \_\_\_\_\_

*mp unison*

Like the stars of the sky \_\_\_\_\_ your de-scend-ants shall be \_\_\_\_\_

**B**

20

— yours for all gen - er - a - tions, \_\_\_\_\_ you will be blest. \_\_\_\_\_ I'll be your

*mf*

*mf*

I'll be your

25

**C**

*mf*

God \_\_\_\_\_ and you'll be my peo - ple. \_\_\_\_\_

and you'll be my peo - - - ple. Like the stars of the

and you'll be my peo - ple. \_\_\_\_\_ Like the stars of the

**C**

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29

sky all your chil-dren shall be, and I'll be your God

sky all your chil-dren shall be, be your God

34

and you'll be - ple. This is my pro - mise

and you'll be peo - - - ple. This is my pro - - -

je my peo - ple. This is my pro - - -

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38

for - ev - er.  
mise for - ev - er.

42

**D**

*mp*

Like the stars of the sky all your chil- dren shall be.

*mp*

Like of the sky, all your chil- dren shall

(8) 7

**D**

*mp*

46

. make you a na - tion, you will be blest.

Make you a na - tion You will be

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50

Like the stars of the sky your de-scend-ants shall  
 blest, like the stars of the sky your de-scend-ants shall be.

54

be. Yours for all gen - er - a - tions, you will be blest,  
 Yours for all gen - er - a - tions, you will be blest,

58

*mf* and I'll be your God and you'll be my peo - ple.  
 and I'll be your God and you'll be my peo - ple.

**E**

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62

-ple. Like the stars of the sky all your chil- dren shall be,

ple. Like the stars of the sky all your chil- dren shall be,



66

- and I'll be your God and you'll be my peo - ple.

- and I'll be y and you'll be my peo - ple.

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