

OCP Choral Series

A Child Is Born for Us

for Nathan
SATB Choir and Piano

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INTRO (♩ = ca. 80)

Piano

Chord markings: Eb/G, Abadd9, Eb/G, Abadd9

Dynamics: p, poco rit., a tempo, poco rit.

5 **A** (Altos)

A child is born for us Where we had thought to find

Chord markings: Eb, Ab/Eb, Bb/Eb, Eb, Ab, Eb/G, Dbsus2, Bb

Dynamics: a tempo

9

A ruler armed with weapons bright, An army close behind.

Chord markings: Eb/G, Ab, Eb/G, Fm7, Fm7/Ab, Abmaj7/C, Bb/D

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13 (Sopranos)

A child lies in the straw When we thought to a -

E \flat *A \flat /C* *E \flat /B \flat* *A \flat* *B \flat* *E \flat /G*

16

dore A ruler clad in scarlet robes A - stride the

A \flat *B \flat /A \flat* *E \flat maj7/G* *Cm7* *D \flat /A \flat* *A \flat* *E \flat /B \flat* *A \flat /C*

mf *mp*

20

winds of war.

A \flat sus2 *B \flat* *E \flat /G* *A \flat add9* *E \flat /G* *A \flat add9*

p *poco rit.*

B
25 S/A *a tempo mp*

A child sleeps in the night When we had hoped to

T/B *a tempo mp*

mp a tempo

E \flat Ab/E \flat B \flat /E \flat E \flat Ab E \flat /G

28

see A ruler riding on the morn To splen-did

D \flat sus2 B \flat E \flat /G A \flat E \flat /G Fm7 Fm7/A \flat

32

vic-tor-y. A child cries out for milk

A

Abmaj7/C B \flat /D E \flat A \flat /C E \flat /B \flat

35

When we had hoped to hear A ruler shout - ing

Ab Bb Eb/G Ab Bb/Ab Ebmaj7/G Cm7

38

bat - tle cries As foes fall down in fear.

Db/Ab Ab Eb/Bb Ab/C Absus2 Bb Eb

42

Abadd9/C Eb/G Abadd9

poco rit.

45 **C** *a tempo* *p* *mp* *cresc. poco a poco*

S This child will grow and die For us who looked for less Than _

T

B *a tempo* *p* *mp* *cresc. poco a poco*

Cm Fm6/C G/B Cm/G G7 Cm Cm/Bb

a tempo *p* *cresc. poco a poco*

49 *f*

In hu - man help - less - ness, in

God to come to us en - fleshed In hu - man help, in hu - man help, in

f

In hu - man help - less - ness, in

Ab G Cm Cm/Bb Ab

f

53 *mf* hu - man help - less - ness. *p* *poco rit.*

hu - man help - less - ness. *mf* *p* *poco rit.*

hu - man help - less - ness. *poco rit.*

mf *p* *poco rit.*

Eb/G *A♭m* *E* *Aadd9/C#*

57 **D** *a tempo mf*

The one who dies shall rise In glo-ry far too bright

a tempo mf

E *A/C#* *E/B* *A* *E/G#* *Dsus2* *B*

a tempo mf

61

For our as - ton - ished eyes to see, Who thought that death was

E/G# A E/G# F#m7 F#m7/E Amaj7/C#

65

might. We praise you, God most wise! For death has had its

f

Bsus4 B G C/G D/G G G/B C D G/B

68

mp
rit.
a tempo

hour: ____ Your Love was born and died and rose In flesh _ to

rit.
a tempo
mp

C G/B Cmaj9/E Am G/B

72 *poco rit.*

rout death's pow'r.

poco rit.

Cadd9 D G Cadd9 G/B Cadd9

poco rit. *molto rit.* *pp*