

# LORD OF THE DANCE

## INTRO/INTERLUDE *Fast and lively*

## VERSES

Melody

Keyboard

G#m C#m A B7 E

1. I danced in the morn-ing when the  
 2. I danced for the scribe \_\_\_ and the  
 3. I danced on the Sab-bath and I  
 4. I danced on a Fri-day when the  
 5. They cut me \_\_\_ down \_\_\_ and I

G#m C#m A F#m B7

1. world was be-gun, And I danced in the moon and the stars \_\_\_ and the sun,  
 2. Phar - i - see, But they would not \_\_\_ dance and they would-n't fol-low me;  
 3. cured the \_\_\_ lame, The \_\_\_ ho - ly \_\_\_ peo - ple, they said it was a shame;  
 4. sky turned \_\_\_ black; It's \_\_\_ hard to \_\_\_ dance with the dev-il on your back;  
 5. leapt up \_\_\_ high, I am the life that - 'll nev-er, nev-er die,

E C#m G#m C#m

1. And I came down from heav-en and I danced on the earth, \_\_\_ At  
 2. I \_\_\_ danced for the fish-er-men, for James and for John; \_\_\_ They  
 3. They \_\_\_ whipped and they stripped \_\_\_ and they hung me \_\_\_ high, And they  
 4. They \_\_\_ bur-ied my bod-y and they thought I'd \_\_\_ gone, \_\_\_ But  
 5. I'll \_\_\_ live in \_\_\_ you \_\_\_ if you'll live in \_\_\_ me; \_\_\_

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REFRAIN

A B7 E A E G#m C#m G#m C#m

1. Beth - le - hem I had my birth. "Dance, then, wher - ev - er you may be.  
 2. came with me and the dance went on.  
 3. left me there on a cross to die.  
 4. I am the dance and I still go on.  
 5. "I am the Lord of the Dance," said he.

E A B7 E C#m G#m E7

I am the Lord of the Dance," said he. "I'll lead you all wher - ev - er you may be, I will

A B7

1-4	Final
E A E D.C.	E A E

lead you all in the Dance," said he. Dance," said he.

1-4	D.C.	Final
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