

Dedicated to the memory of Susan Rathbun Neal by David and Miranda Lind
for the Preston Hollow Presbyterian Choir, Dallas, Texas; director, Steve Jobman

I too shall walk to Bethlehem

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JOHN RUTTER

Moderato, flowingly ♩ = c. 100

PIANO *mp*

The score consists of four systems. The first system shows the piano introduction in 3/4 time, marked *mp*. The second system begins with the vocal entry for Tenors and Basses, marked *unis.* and *p*. The lyrics are: "1. I too shall walk to Beth - le - hem A -". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines. The third system continues the vocal line with the lyrics: "-long each lone - ly road; I did not have the". The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support. The fourth system concludes the vocal phrase with the lyrics: "strength un - til I heard the sto - ry told." The piano accompaniment features a *cresc.* and *mp* dynamic marking.

TENORS
and BASSES
unis. *p*

6

1. I too shall walk to Beth - le - hem A -

13

-long each lone - ly road; I did not have the

19

cresc. *mp*

strength un - til I heard the sto - ry told.

cresc. *mp*

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A SOPRANOS
and ALTOS

25
uns.
mp

There is a place where all may rest And set down a - ny

31

S.
A.

load: _____

p *poco cresc.* *mp*

In a sta - ble where once a child was born, where

T.
B.

p *poco cresc.* *mp*

37

p

once a child was born.

pp *mp*

child was born.

TENORS
and BASSES **B**
unis. p

43

2. I too shall walk to Beth - le - hem

49

on through the dark - est night; I did not have the

55

S. *p cresc. mf*
the ho - ly light Of

A. *p cresc. mf*
the ho - ly light Of

T. cou - rage un - til I saw the ho - ly light

B. cou - rage un - til I saw the ho - ly light

61 **C**

bright - est star to guide my way On to the ho - ly

bright - est star to guide my way — On to the ho - ly

C

mf
7

67

site Of a sta - ble where once a child was born, where

site Of a sta - ble where once a child was born, where

Of a sta - ble where once a child was born, where

Of a sta - ble where once a child was born, where

p *poco cresc.* *mp*