

Dearest Children, God is Near You

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The first system of the score consists of two vocal staves (treble and bass clef) and a piano accompaniment. The vocal staves contain whole rests for the first four measures. The piano accompaniment features a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand, both in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat.

The second system includes vocal staves and piano accompaniment. The vocal staves begin with the lyrics "Dear - est child - ren God is near you, watch - ing o'er you". The word "altos ooh" is written above the first measure. Measure numbers 8 and 12 are indicated above the vocal staves. The piano accompaniment continues with the same melodic and bass line.

The third system continues the vocal and piano parts. The vocal staves have whole rests for the first two measures. The piano accompaniment maintains the established melodic and bass line.

The fourth system includes vocal staves and piano accompaniment. The vocal staves begin with the lyrics "ooh day and night. And de - lights to own and bless you,". Measure number 16 is indicated above the vocal staves. The piano accompaniment continues with the same melodic and bass line.

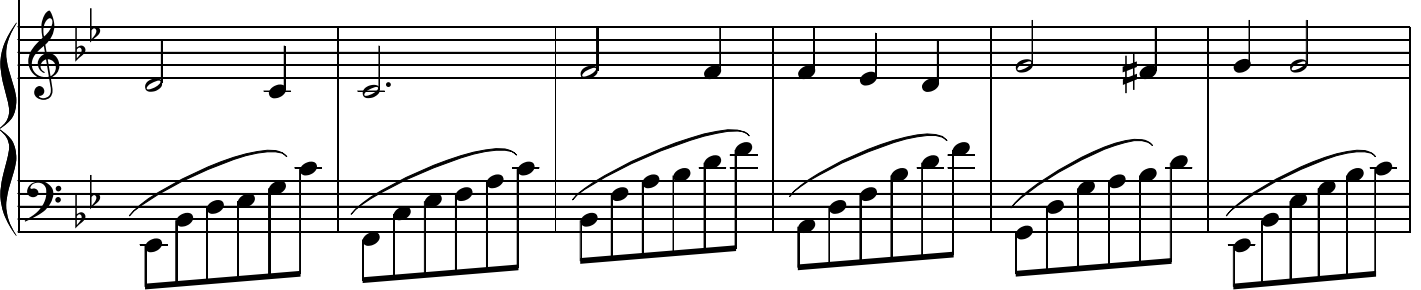
The fifth system continues the vocal and piano parts. The vocal staves have whole rests for the first two measures. The piano accompaniment maintains the established melodic and bass line.

if you strive to do what's right. *SA words* He will bless you

He will bless you, If you put your trust in him.

Dear - est child - ren, ho - ly an - gels Watch your ac - tions

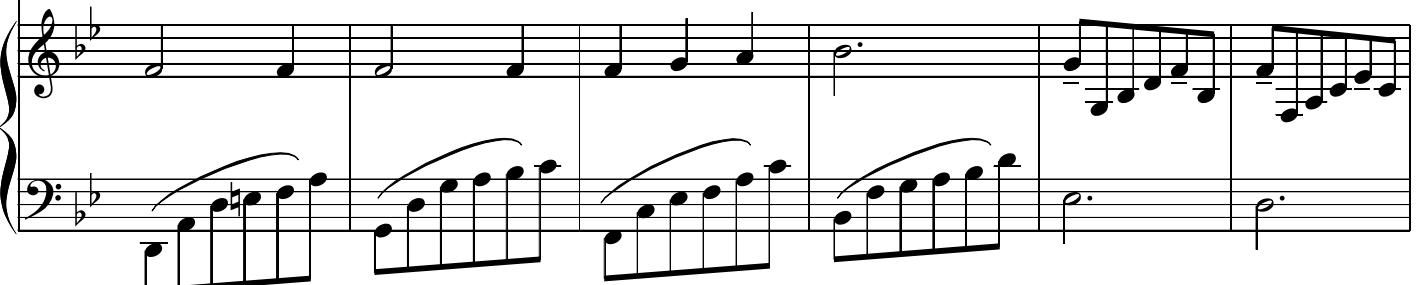
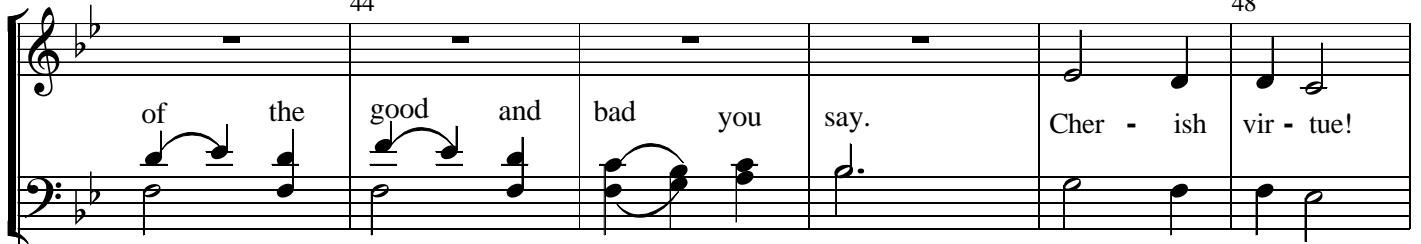
night and day. And they keep a faith - ful re - cord



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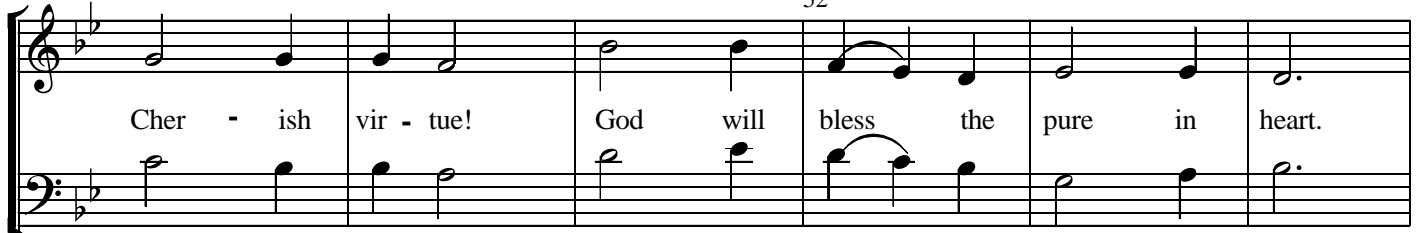
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of the good and bad you say. Cher - ish vir - tue!



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Cher - ish vir - tue! God will bless the pure in heart.



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Child - ren, God de -

lights to teach you By his Ho - ly Spir - it's voice

Quick - ly heed its ho - ly promp - tings day by day you'll

very soft and thoughtful 76

then — re - jice. Oh prove faith - ful Oh prove faith - ful

accapella

To your God and Zi - on's cause. God will 84 bless the
Ooh

pure in heart
Ooh God is near you. 88 *pp*

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