

Lord of the Dance

INTRO/INTERLUDE *Fast and lively*

VERSES

Capo 3: (F#m)
Am

(Bm)
Dm

(G)
Bb

(A7)
C7

(D)
F

Melody



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

Keyboard



(F#m)
Am

(Bm)
Dm

(G)
Bb

(Em)
Gm

(A7)
C7



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,



(D)
F

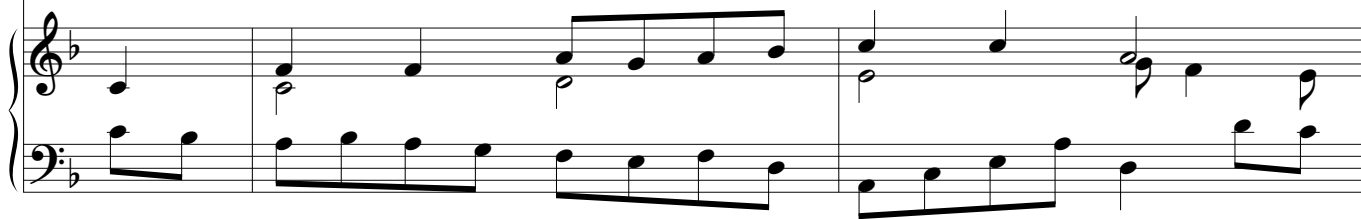
(Bm)
Dm

(F#m)
Am

(Bm)
Dm



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; —



Text: Irregular with refrain; Sydney B. Carter, 1915–2004, alt.

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REFRAIN

(G) (A7) (D) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm)
 Bb C7 F Bb F Am Dm Am Dm

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.

(D) (G) (A7) (D) (Bm) (F#m) (D7)
 F Bb C7 F Dm Am F7

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

(G) (A7) 1-4 Final (G) (D)
 Bb C7 F Bb F D.C. F Bb F

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

1-4 D.C. Final