

for Maya

ISAAC WATTS (adapted)

CRADLE SONG

ROBIN STOPFORD

Tender and Expressive ♩ = 75

Soprano *pp* Hush my dear, lie

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Tender and Expressive

Piano *pp*

6

S. *p* still and slum-ber, Ho-ly ang-els guard thy bed; Heav'n-ly bless-ings, with-out num-ber gent-ly fall-ing

A.

T.

B.

Pno. *p*

12

S. *mf* on thy head. Sleep, my babe, thy food and rai-ment, house and home, thy friends pro-vide,

A.

T.

B.

Pno. *mf*

17 *pp*

S. All with-out thy care or pay - ment, All thy wants are well sup-plied.

A.

T. *p* Hush, my dear - lie still and

B. *p* Hush - my dear,

Pno. *pp* *p*

23 *p*

S. How much bet - ter thou'rt at - tend - ed than the Son of God could be,

A. *p* How much - - - bet - ter thou'art at - tend - ed than the Son of God could be.

T. slum-ber, Ah

B. hush, Ah

Pno.

29 *mf*

S. When from hea - ven he des-cend-ed, and be-came a child like thee! Soft and ea - sy is thy cra - dle;

A. *mf* When from hea - ven He be-came a child - like thee! Soft and ea - sy is thy cra - dle;

T. *mf* When - - - He des - cend - ed - - - and be - came a child like thee! Soft and ea - sy is thy cra - dle;

B. *mf* Ah Soft and ea - sy is thy cra - dle;

Pno. *mf*

35 *slightly holding back* *pp*

S. Coarse and hard thy Sav - iour lay, — When his birth - place was a sta - ble, and his soft - est bed was hay.

A. Coarse and hard thy Sav - iour lay, Ah — and his soft - est bed was hay.

T. Coarse and hard thy Sav - iour lay, Ah — and his soft - est bed was hay.

B. Coarse and hard thy Sav - iour lay. Ah — and his soft - est bed was hay.

Pno. *slightly holding back* *pp*

41 *p*

S. Sleep, my child, O sleep. my chi - ld!

A. Sleep, my child, O sleep. my child!

T. *mf* See the kind - ly shep - herds round him,

B. *mf* See the kind - ly shep - herds round him,

Pno. *mp*

47 *mf*

S. Hu - sh my - dear, my dear!

A. Hu - sh my - dear, my dear!

T. Tell - ing won - ders from the sky; There they sought him, there they found him, with his vir - gin

B. Tell - ing won - ders from the sky; There they sought him, there they found him, with his vir - gin

Pno.

52

S. *mf* See the love - ly babe ad - dress - ing Love - ly in - fant how he smiled.

A. *mf* Hush, my dear, lie still and slum - ber!

T. *mf* mo - ther nigh. See the love - ly Babe ad - dress - ing: Love - ly in - fant, how he smiled. *mp* When he wept, his

B. *mf* mo - ther nigh. See the love - ly Babe ad - dress - ing: Love - ly in - fant how he smiled. *mp* When he wept, his

Pno. *mf* *mp*

58

S. *mf* Sleep, my child! *f* Sleep, O sleep my

A. *mf* Sleep, my child! *f* Sleep, my child!

T. *mf* mo - ther's bless - ing soothed and hushed the ho - ly Child. Sleep, my child! *f* Sleep, my child!

B. *mf* mo - ther's bless - ing soothed and hushed the ho - ly Child. Sleep my child! *f* Sleep, my child!

Pno. *mf* *f* 8

64 *molto rit.* **Tempo primo** *mf*

S. child! - Sleep, O sleep my child! Sle-ep, my -

A. *mp* Lo! he slum-bers in a man-ger, where the horn-ed ox - en fed,

T. *mp* Lo! He slum-bers in a man-ger, where the horn-ed ox - en fed,

B. *mp* Lo! He slum-bers in a man-ger, where the horn-ed ox - en fed,

Pno. *p* *mp*

70 *mf*

S. child! Sleep, - my - child, my child, -

A. *mf* Peace, my dar - ling, here's no dan - ger here's no ox a - near thy bed. May ye live to -

T. *mf* Peace, my dar - ling, here's no dan - ger here's no ox a - near thy bed. May ye live to

B. *mf* Peace my dar - ling here's no dan - ger here's no ox a - near thy bed. May ye live to

Pno. *mf*

75

S. *mf*
sleep, my child, Hush, my dear, lie still - and slum - ber, Sleep, my

A. *mf*
know and fe - ar him, trust and lo - ve hi - m all thy days; Then go dwell for - ev - er near him,

T. *mf*
know and fear him, trust and love him all thy days; Then go dwell for - ev - er near him,

B. *mf*
know and fear him, trust and love him all thy days; Slum - ber,

Pno. *mf*

80

S. *mf* *rit.*
child, O sleep Sleep, my child, sleep, my child, O sleep

A. *mf*
see his face and sing his praise. May ye live to - know and fe - ar him, see his face and sing his praise.

T. *mf* *rit.*
see his face and sing his praise. May ye live to know and fear him, see his face and sing his praise.

B. *mf* *rit.*
Sleep, my child! May ye live to know and fear him, Sleep, my child!

Pno. *mf* *rit.*

86 $\text{♩} = 70$

S. *p* Sleep, my child! *pp* Sleep *pp* Sleep

A. *p* Sleep, my child! *pp* Sleep *pp* Sleep

T. *p* Sleep Sleep

B. *p* Sleep Sleep

Pno. *p* *pp*

93

S. *ppp* Sleep

A. *ppp* Sleep

T. *ppp* Sleep

B. *ppp* Sleep

Pno. *p* *molto rall.* *pp*