

Jesus Christ the Apple Tree

(For SATB Chorus with Piano)

Traditional
18th Century

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PIANO

Gently

mf

Measures 1-4 of the piano introduction. The music is in 3/4 time and begins with a *Gently* dynamic. The right hand features a melody of eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a simple accompaniment of quarter notes. The dynamic changes to *mf* at the start of measure 4.

5

Measures 5-7 of the piano accompaniment. The right hand continues the melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, and the left hand provides a steady accompaniment of quarter notes.

8

SA *mf*

The tree of life my soul hath seen,

TB

Measures 8-10. The Soprano (SA) part begins with a *mf* dynamic and sings the lyrics "The tree of life my soul hath seen,". The Tenor (TB) part is silent. The piano accompaniment continues with the same accompaniment pattern as in the previous measures.

mf

Measures 11-13 of the piano accompaniment. The right hand features a melody of eighth and sixteenth notes, and the left hand provides a simple accompaniment of quarter notes. The dynamic is *mf*.

11

SA
Lad - en with fruit and al - ways green: The

TB

13

SA
trees of na - ture fruit-less be Com - pared to Christ the ap - ple

TB

16

SA
tree, com - pared to Christ the ap - ple tree.

TB

19

SA

TB

mf His

23

SA

beau - ty doth all things ex - cel: By faith I know, but

TB

mp

26

SA

ne'er can tell, The glo - ry which I now can see In

TB

f

f

29

SA Je - sus Christ the ap - ple tree, in *mf*

TB *mf*

mf

31

SA Je - sus Christ the ap - ple tree. *diminuendo rit. p*

TB *diminuendo p*

diminuendo p

33

SA

TB

a tempo mp

Soprano Solo

36 *rit.* *mf* *a tempo*

SA For hap - pi - ness I long have sought, And pleas - ure dear - ly

TB

mp

40 *f*

SA I have bought: I missed of all; but now I see 'Tis

TB

mf

43 *mf*

SA found in Christ the ap - ple tree. I missed of all; but now I see 'Tis

TB

47 *ten.*

SA found in Christ the ap - ple tree.

TB

mp

50

SA

TB *mf* I'm wea - ry with my

mp

54

SA

TB form - er toil, Here will I sit and rest a - while:

57 *f*

SA Un - der the shad - ow I will be, Of Je - sus Christ the

TB *f*

f

60 *mf* *diminuendo rit.* *p*

SA ap - ple tree, of Je - sus Christ the ap - ple tree.

TB *mf* *diminuendo* *p*

a tempo

mf *diminuendo* *p* *mf*

64

SA

TB

68

SA *f*

TB *f* This fruit doth

71

SA make my soul to thrive, It keeps my dy - ing faith a -

TB

74

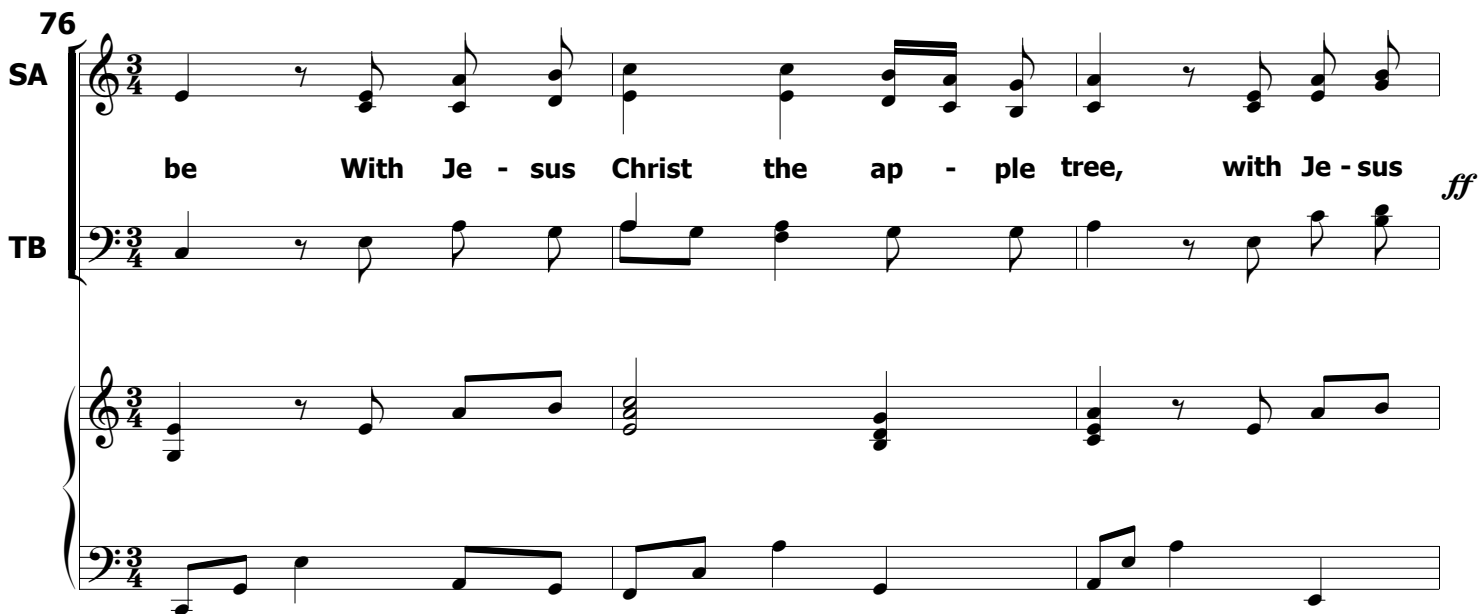
SA live: Which makes my soul in haste to

TB

76

SA
be With Je - sus Christ the ap - ple tree, with Je - sus *ff*

TB



79 *ff* *rit.*

SA
Christ the ap - ple tree.

TB

