

13. He Has Prepared a Way

Laman, Sam, Lemuel, Nephi, Zoram, and Laban

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[Night. The brothers are outside Jerusalem.]

Misterioso ♩ = 84

Nephi *mp*
Hide, hide out ³ - side the walls.

Piano *p*

5 *mp*
Lem. How, how shall ³ it be done?
Nep. Wait, wait til ³ I re - turn. I do not

5 *mf*
Lam. I
Nep. know. But the Spir - it says I must go a - lone.

10
Pno.

14

Lam. know that I've seen an an - gel of the Lord, So I

Pno.

17

Lam. know that I can put my trust in you.

Nep. *mp* Put your trust in the

Pno.

20 *Slower* ♩ = 76 *mp*

Lam. *mp* If we do not doubt, if we do not fear, He shall pre-pare a

Sam *mp* If we do not doubt, if we do not fear, He shall pre-pare a

Lem. If we do not doubt, if we do not fear, He shall pre-pare a

Nep. Lord our God. If we do not doubt, if we do not fear, He shall pre-pare a

Pno.

[Nephi leaves his brothers, who exit stage, and begins singing the Song of Moses as he enters Jerusalem.]

24 **Faster** ♩ = 100

Lam. way.

Sam. way. This is our Red Sea, and we know it shall part.

Lem. way.

Nep. way. *mp* A -

Pno. *p*

*I will sing unto the Lord,
for He hath triumphed gloriously.*

*The horse and his rider
hath He thrown into the sea.*

28

Nep. shi - rah l'A - do - nai ki ga' oh ga' ah. Sus ve-ro - ha - vo ra - mah va - yam. O -

Pno. *8^{va}*

*The Lord is my strength and my song,
and He is become my salvation.*

[Nephi enters Jerusalem and exits stage. Laban and Zoram enter.]
My father's God, and I will exalt Him.

32

Nep. zi v'-zim'-rat yah vai - hi - li - shu - ah. E - lo - e, a - vi, va - ah - rom - me - men - hu. _____

Pno. *(8^{va})*

36 *f*

Lab. *f*

Pno. *f*

How, how is it pos-si-ble that the fool, Je-re-mi-ah, that the fool Je-re-mi-ah has been freed from the stocks? How? How?

40 *mf* [Laban and Zoram exit in different directions. Nephi enters.]

Zor. 8 My Lord, the el-ders said...

Lab. No! The el-ders are cow-ards. Je-re-mi-ah will not es-cape. And nei-ther will Le-hi's

Pno. *mf*

44 *mf*

Nep. I'll sing un-to the Lord. He shall tri-umph glor-ious-ly. The horse and his ri-der hath He thrown in the sea. The

Lab. fam-'ly.

Pno. *mf*

[Nephi exits. Laban enters staggering, with a wine cup.]

49

Nep. Lord is my strength, my song, and my sal-va - tion. My fa-ther's God will I ex - alt.

Lab. *f* All is well in

Pno. *f*

54

Lab. Zi on! Zi - on pros p'reth! All is well! The el - ders now have changed their minds. They'll

Pno. 54

59

Nep. *f*

Lab. [Laban trails off and collapses in a heap. Nephi enters, not noticing Laban.] A -

Lab. send Je - re - mi - ah to jail! All is well! All is...

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63

Nep. *63*

shi - rah l'A - do - nai ki ga' oh ga' ah. Sus ve-ro - ha - vo ra - mah va - yam. O -

Pno. *63*

*The Lord is my strength [Nephi notices a drunken man on the ground.]
and my song,*

Slower ♩ = 80 *mp*

67

Nep. *67*

zi v'-zim'-rat yah _____ Some-one's Drunk-en with wine, most like-ly.

Pno. *67*

Slower ♩ = 80 *mp*

Faster ♩ = 100 *mf*

73

Nep. *73*

It's La ban! Com-plete-ly drunk! I'll take his sword and get the plates!

Pno. *73*

Faster ♩ = 100

*[Nephi unsheathes Laban's sword and is about to leave when he stops, deep in thought.
His face contorts in horror as the Spirit prompts him to kill Laban.]*

77

Pno. *77*

Slower ♩ = 46 *subito p*

82 **Faster** ♩ = 100 *f*

Nep. No! Ne-ver at an - y time have I shed the blood of man! I can - not slay him.

Pno. *subito f*

87 **Slower** ♩ = 46

Nep. I will not slay him! But the Lord's de -

Pno.

91 **Faster** ♩ = 69

Nep. liv-ered him in-to my hands? He hath sought the life of my fam - 'ly. He hath

Pno.

98 *mf*

Nep. ta - ken a - way our pro - per - ty. He will not heed the Lord's com - mand.

Pno. *subito p*

106 Slower ♩ = 46 *mp*

Nep.

But no... How can I kill a man? Would you have me slay

Pno.

111 Faster ♩ = 92

Nep.

one of my peo-ple to get my fam-'ly the plates of brass?

Pno.

116

Nep.

No... not just a fam-'ly.. For a na - tion? But my Lord, who is this

Pno.

122

Nep.

na - tion? In the wil - der-ness you said, "If thy seed keep my com - mand - ments, they shall

Pno.

Slower ♩ = 84

f

127

Nep. pros - per in the land of pro - mise." — The plates are

Pno.

133

Nep. for our chil - dren, And their chil - dren, And our whole pos - ter - i - ty For a

Pno.

137

Nep. thou - sand years, And on in - to the fu - ture. And they

Pno.

141

Nep. can't keep God's com - mands, If they do not have the law, And words of

Pno.

145

Nep. *pro-phets That teach of Is-rael's com-ing De - liv - er er! They are*

Pno.

149

Nep. *writ - ten on the plates of brass, Yea, the Lord has de - li- vered La- ban in - to my hands, For a*

Pno. *mp*

153

Nep. *tru - ly right- eous cause: that a na - tion might come un- to God!*

Pno.

157

Nep. *I will go and do what the Lord com - mands, For He*

Pno. *f*

161

Nep. *p*

has pre - pared a way. He has pre - pared a

Pno.

*[Nephi takes Laban by his hair and prepares to swing his sword.
As the final chord sounds, Nephi swings his sword, and the lights black out.]*

165 *rit.*

Nep.

way!

Pno. *ff*

END OF ACT I

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