

Hosea 6: 3

*“Let us know, let us press on to acknowledge the Lord.
As surely as the morning dawns, He will appear;
He will come to us like the rain,
Like the spring rains that water the earth.”*

Micah 5: 2

*“But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
though you are little among the clans of Judah,
from you will come the one who is to rule Israel,
whose origin is from ancient times.”*

Matthew 24: 2

*“Therefore you must keep watch,
for you do not know what hour your Lord will come.”*

When Will the Little King Come? is perfect for Advent and may also serve Christ the King Sunday. Suggested corresponding scripture readings include Matthew 25: 31-46 and Mark 13: 32-37. One basic homiletical theme is great expectation for hope, joy, peace and love.

This piece is excellent for choirs that are just beginning to sing in parts. In performance, careful attention to dynamic shading will enhance the antiphonal effect of this charming anthem of expectation. The composer highly recommends the use of the above scriptures as a church program insert or as a narrative spoken just prior to the performance of this anthem.

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WHEN WILL THE LITTLE KING COME?

for two-part voices, any combination,* accompanied

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Moderately (♩ = ca. 88-92)

ACCOMP.

mp

5 PART I
mp

When will the lit - tle King come?

PART II *mp*

When will we see — God's

8

We will sing and shout for joy, greet the pre-cious ba - by boy,

Son? We will sing and shout for joy, greet the pre-cious ba - by boy,

* Also available for S.A.T.B. voices, No. 7951, S.A.B. voices, No. 7950, and unison or 2-part voices, No. 21004.

11 *poco rit.*

when our Em-man-u - el comes.

cresc.

when our Em-man-u - el comes. When will the lit - tle King

cresc. e poco rit.

14 *a tempo*
mf

1. Will He come like a breath of spring while the flow - ers are
2. Will He come when the air grows cold while the leaves turn to

mf

come? 1. Like a breath of spring while the flow - ers are
2. When the air grows cold while the leaves turn to

a tempo
mf

17

blos - som - ing? Will He come on a sum - mer day
red and gold? Will He come on a win - ter night

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20

while the chil - dren are at play?
while the stars are shin - ing bright?

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23

1. (to p.3) 2. rit. 25 *a tempo*
mp

When will the lit - tle King

1.

(to p.3) 2. *a tempo*
mf *mf*

dim. e rit.

26

mf

come? When will we see ___ God's Son?

mf *mf*

When will the lit - tle King come? When will we see ___ God's

mf

29 *f*

We will sing and shout for joy, greet the pre-cious ba - by boy, when our Em-man-u - el

Son? *f* We will sing and shout for joy, greet the pre-cious ba - by boy,

f

32 33 *p*

comes. When will the lit - tle King come?

mp when our Em-man-u - el comes. *p* When will the lit - tle King

mp

35 *mp* *mf*

When will we see__ God's Son? We will sing and shout for joy,

come? *mp* When will we see__ God's Son?

mp *mf*

38

greet the pre-cious ba - by boy, when our Em-man-u - el comes.

mf We will sing and shout for joy, greet the pre-cious ba - by boy, when our Em-man-u - el

41

mp When will the lit - tle King come? When will the

comes. *mp* When will the lit - tle King come? When will the

mp *gradual rit. to end* *p* (*hushed, expressively*)

44

lit - tle King come? _____

lit - tle King come? _____

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