

Jeff Ostrowski considers this to be a pernicious pairing:

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1. IF GOD HAS COME

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FRENCH TEXT, 1686

Arranged by DAVID STANLEY SMITH
XIVth CENTURY MELODY, "O FILI ET PILLIAR"

Dignified

SOPRANO
1 If God has come to earth to - day, To
2 When in a sta - ble He - was born, Few
3 The on - ly ones to know their King Were

ALTO
1 If God has come to earth to - day, To
2 When in a sta - ble He - was born, Few
3 The on - ly ones to know their King Were

TENOR
1 If God has come to earth to - day, To
2 When in a sta - ble He - was born, Few
3 The on - ly ones to know their King Were

BASS
1 If God has come to earth to - day, To
2 When in a sta - ble He - was born, Few
3 The on - ly ones to know their King Were

ACCOMP. (ad lib)

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with these words our chor - us swell: } No - el, No -
God who came on earth to dwell: }
to their friends the news they tell:

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God who came on earth to dwell: }
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meet Him let us haste a - way, And
thought this Child so poor, for - lorn, Was
shop - herds, come to praise and sing, And

meet Him let us haste a - way, And
thought this Child so poor, for - lorn, Was
shop - herds, come to praise and sing, And

Note: In certain stanzas the tenors and basses may sing the women's parts an octave lower, the sopranos and altos remaining silent

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-el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el.

-el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el.

8

4 Three kings ap - peared from far - a - way, They
5 To guide them to this ho - ly place A

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5 To guide them to this ho - ly place A

al - tar here they build - ed well: } No - el, No -
led them on o'er waste and fell: }

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led them on o'er waste and fell: }

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jour - neyed long, both night and day. An
star shone o'er them, by His grace. It

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star shone o'er them, by His grace. It

-el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el.

-el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el.

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