

Lord, We Are Your People

(Chorus with optional Handbells or Handchimes)

2 octaves
Handbells or handchimes used: 9



(CHOIR enters during introduction.)

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Proudly (♩ = 56-58)

Handbells or Handchimes (optional)

Piano

Unison *mf*

Lord, we are your

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8 9 10 11

peo-ple, — led by your love, fed by your grace. Lord, we are your

12 13 14 15

peo-ple. — Lead us to-day, teach us we pray, help us to fol-low your

16 17 18

ways. Help us to know

r.h.

(Lights up on palace. ELIJAH enters palace and approaches AHAB'S throne. AHAB and JEZEBEL are seated on their thrones dressed in robes and slippers, leisurely reading the morning paper and having coffee.)

ELIJAH: *(excitedly)* Your highness, I bring you a message this day from the Lord, God of Israel.

AHAB: *(looks up from paper, startled by ELIJAH'S entrance)* Who do you think you are barging into our palace so early in the morning?

JEZEBEL: *(huffy, to PALACE GUARDS)* Who let him in? What kind of God would send a messenger before breakfast?! *(turning back to AHAB, pointing to newspaper)* What does it say in there about the weather for the Jericho 5K marathon this weekend?

ELIJAH: *(anxiously)* Your highnesses, that is exactly why I'm here...

AHAB: *(confused)* The marathon?

ELIJAH: No, the *weather!* The Lord sent me to warn you that there will be no rain for the next three years, except when I command it. The creeks and rivers will dry up, and the people of Israel will suffer because *you* have turned them from the Lord.

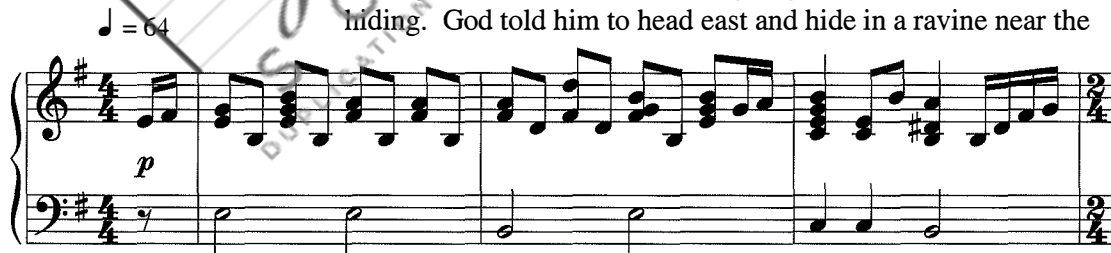
AHAB: What is this you speak of? How dare you come here with such nonsense! And who put *you* in charge of the weather?!

JEZEBEL: This man is just trying to stir up trouble for our good followers of Baal...*(more angrily)* and he's starting to ruin my day! *(looks back at AHAB expecting him to do something)*

AHAB: Guards, remove this man at once! And if he tries to come back, put him to death immediately! *(back to JEZEBEL and the paper)* Now where was the story about that new hybrid chariot they've come out with...?

(PALACE GUARDS escort ELIJAH out and let him go. Lights down on the palace. ELIJAH moves center stage during narration. He walks slowly, with head down, concerned. AHAB, JEZEBEL and PALACE GUARDS exit.)

NARRATOR 1: So, Elijah, scared of what the king might do, left and went into hiding. God told him to head east and hide in a ravine near the



Jordan River. He had no food or water to take with him and had no idea where he would end up...but God promised to provide.



Just Enough Oil

21

(Widow and Elijah)

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Gently (♩ = 68-72)

WIDOW: *mp*

Just e-nough

Piano *mp*

oil _____ to make this bread. Just e-nough bread here to feed my -

self and my son. Just e-nough oil _____ and noth - ing

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8 *mf*

more. All that I have now is gone. Who will pro -

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(WIDOW focuses attention on making bread while ELIJAH sings, measures 13-16.)

vide?

13 ELIJAH: *mf*

All I ask, all I need, just some bread,

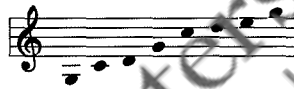
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NARRATOR 2: When the people saw what happened, they knew that the God Elijah trusted was real. They fell to their knees and shouted to everyone who could hear, "The Lord is God! The Lord is God!" Later that day, Elijah returned to the top of Mt. Carmel to pray, and a heavy rain came to restore the land of Israel. Through fire and rain, in prophecy and prayer, the power of the living God had been revealed for all to see!

Mighty God

(Chorus with optional Handbells or Handchimes)

2 octaves
Handbells or Handchimes used: 8



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With great rejoicing (♩ = 116-120)

Handbells or Handchimes (optional)

1 2 3 4

Part I *f*

Let

Piano *f*

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5 6 7 8

Part II (optional) *f*

Let all re - joice, _____ for we have seen the

all re - joice, _____ for we have seen _____ the

9 10 11 12

God who reigns for - ev - er - more.

pow - er of the liv - ing God who reigns for - ev - er - more.