

# Sleep, Little King

For Mixed Voices (SATB) and Keyboard

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Soprano *p*

Sleep, lit - tle King, in your

Gently (♩ = 72)

*p* *pp*

man - ger bed, Sleep\_ while the star\_ shines\_ o - ver-head;

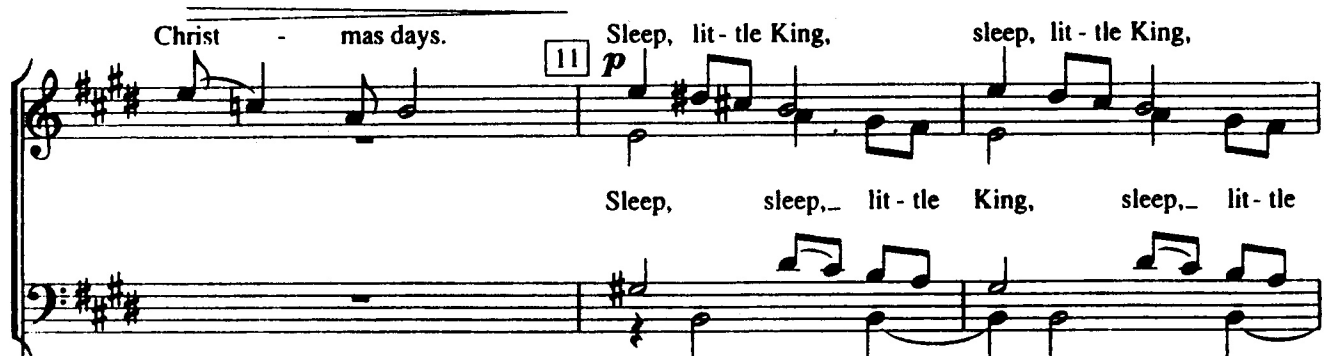
*mp*

Sleep while the an - gels sing songs of praise, This bright - est and best \_\_\_ of

*mp*

Detailed description: The score is for a piece in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a Soprano line and a Keyboard accompaniment. The tempo is marked 'Gently' with a quarter note equal to 72 beats per minute. The piece begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic for the Soprano and piano (*p*) for the keyboard. The keyboard part has a delicate, flowing accompaniment. The lyrics are: 'Sleep, lit - tle King, in your man - ger bed, Sleep\_ while the star\_ shines\_ o - ver-head; Sleep while the an - gels sing songs of praise, This bright - est and best \_\_\_ of'. The dynamic for the second system is *pp* (pianissimo). The third system starts with a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic. The keyboard part in the third system has a more rhythmic accompaniment with chords and eighth notes.

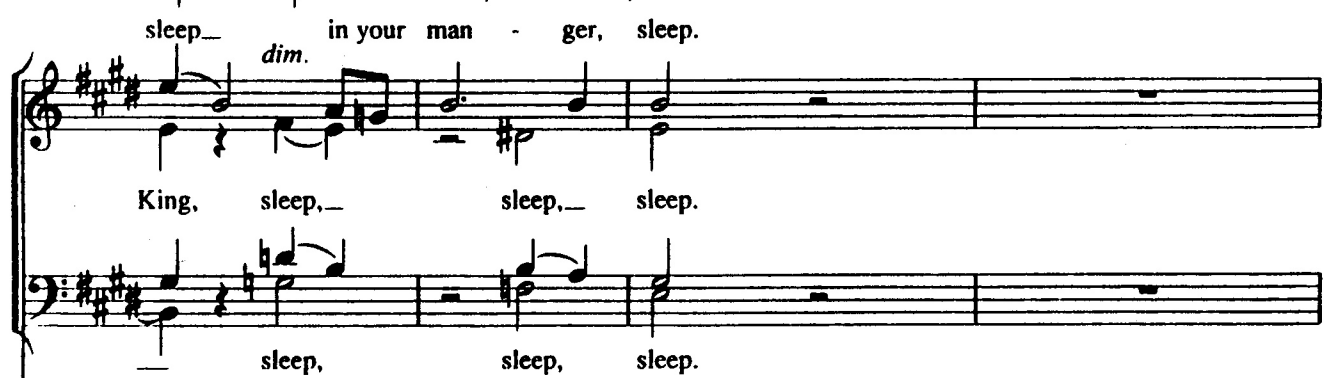
Christ - mas days. 11 *p* Sleep, lit - tle King, sleep, lit - tle King,  
Sleep, sleep, lit - tle King, sleep, lit - tle



11 Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep,  
*dim.* *p*



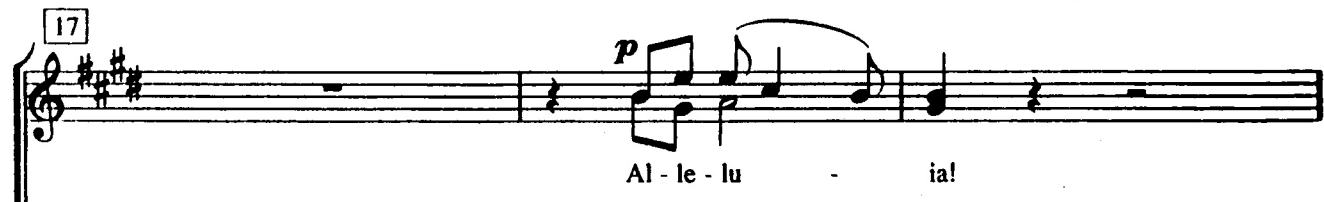
sleep in your man - ger, sleep.  
*dim.*  
King, sleep, sleep, sleep.  
sleep, sleep, sleep.



*p* *dim.*



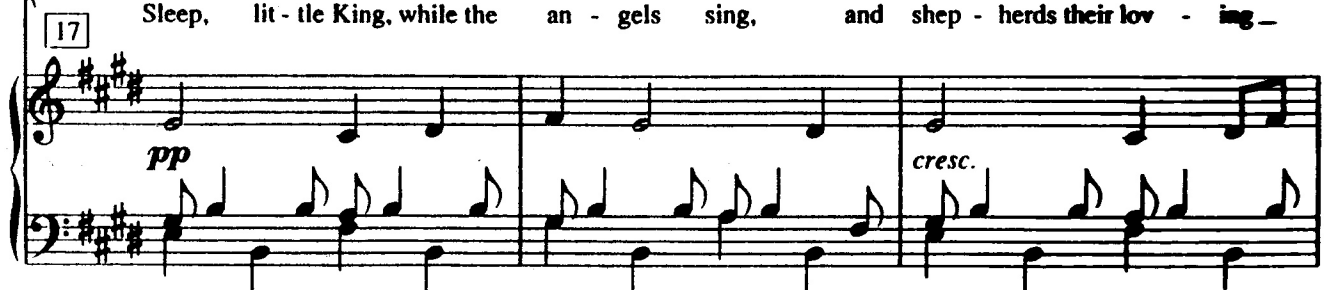
17 *p* Al - le - lu - ia!



*P unis.*



17 Sleep, lit - tle King, while the an - gels sing, and shep - herds their lov - ing -  
*pp* *cresc.*



*cresc.*  
 Al - le - lu - ia! *mf* Al - le - lu -  
 trib - ute bring. They praise the glo - ry of your birth,

*mp* *mf*

ia! *mp dim.* 25 *p* So sleep, sleep, lit - tle  
 Sleep, lit - tle King.

God sent from heav - en a Son to earth. 25 *dim.* *p* Sleep, sleep, —

*dim.* King, sleep, lit - tle King, sleep, — sleep, — sleep.  
 sleep, lit - tle King, sleep in your man - ger, sleep.

— sleep, sleep, — sleep, sleep, sleep. *pp*

31

*p* Sleep, lit - tle King, in your man - ger bed,

(Hum)

31

*dim.*

sleep\_ while the star\_ shines\_ o - ver-head.

Sleep while the an - gels sing

(Hum) *cresc.* *mp* *p* Al - le - *p* Al -

*p*

songs of praise, this bright - est and best of Christ - mas days.

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

le - lu - ia! Sleep, —

*dim.*

39 Sleep, lit - tle King, sleep, lit - tle King, sleep

*pp*

Sleep, sleep, lit - tle King, sleep, lit - tle King,

sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

39

*pp*

in your man - ger, sleep.

*rit.*

sleep, sleep, sleep.

sleep, sleep, sleep.

*rit.*