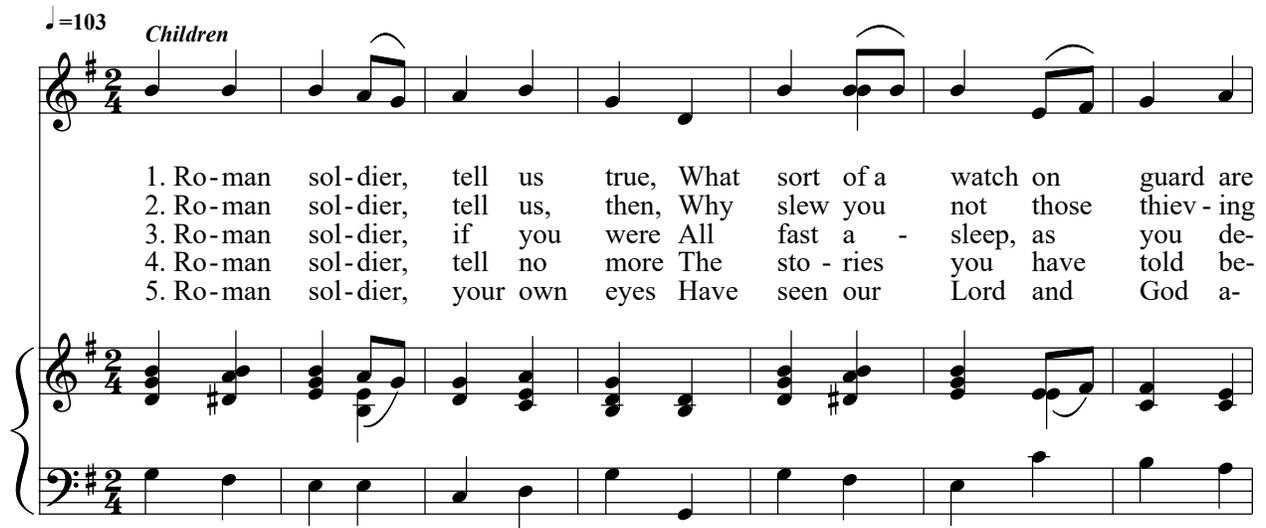


Roman Soldier, Tell Us True

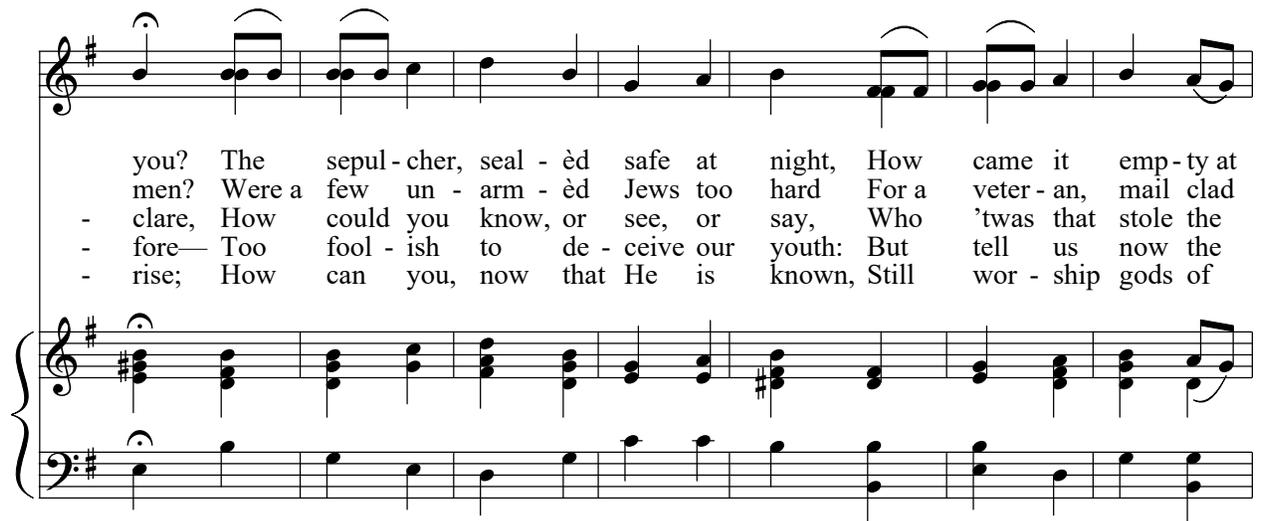
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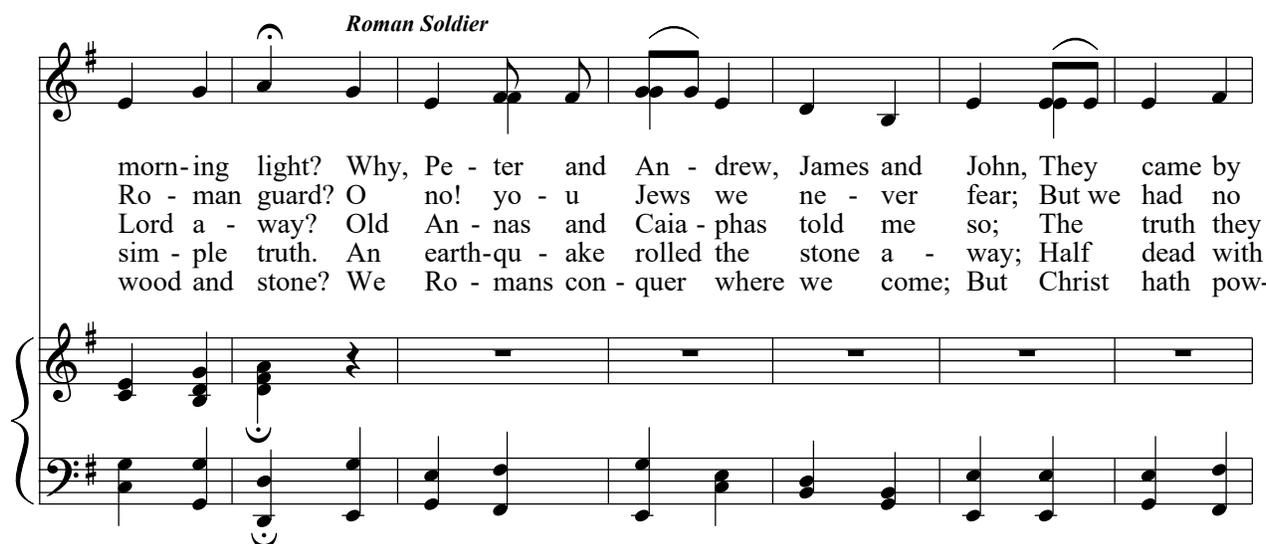


1. Ro-man sol-dier, tell us true, What sort of a watch on guard are
2. Ro-man sol-dier, tell us, then, Why slew you not those thiev-ing
3. Ro-man sol-dier, if you were All fast a - sleep, as you de-
4. Ro-man sol-dier, tell no more The sto-ries you have told be-
5. Ro-man sol-dier, your own eyes Have seen our Lord and God a-



you? The sepul-cher, seal - èd safe at night, How came it emp-ty at
men? Were a few un - arm - èd Jews too hard For a veter - an, mail clad
- clare, How could you know, or see, or say, Who 'twas that stole the
- fore— Too fool - ish to de - ceive our youth: But tell us now the
- rise; How can you, now that He is known, Still wor - ship gods of

Roman Soldier

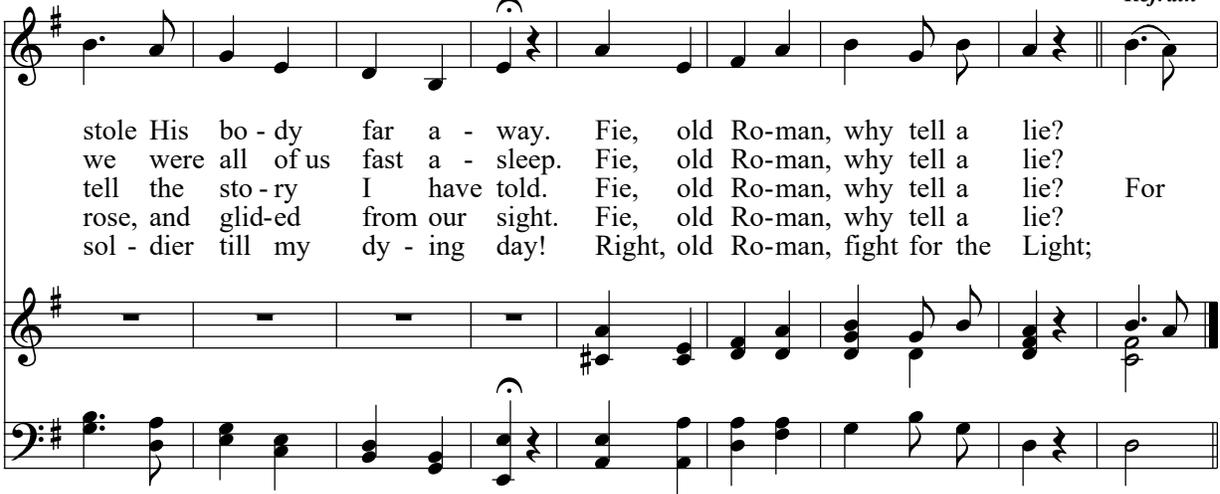


morn-ing light? Why, Pe - ter and An - drew, James and John, They came by
Ro - man guard? O no! yo - u Jews we ne - ver fear; But we had no
Lord a - way? Old An - nas and Caia - phas told me so; The truth they
sim - ple truth. An earth-qu - ake rolled the stone a - way; Half dead with
wood and stone? We Ro - mans con - quer where we come; But Christ hath pow-

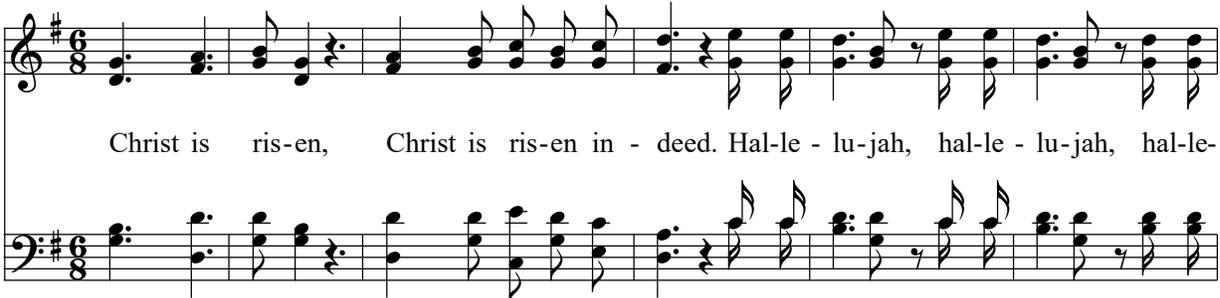


night, re - moved the stone, And long be - fore the break of day, They
 chance for sword or spear, For up so soft - ly did they creep, While
 wished that one should know; They gave me, there-fore, silver and gold, To
 fear we Ro - mans lay: While, like full sun - rise at mid - night, Christ
 - er to van - quish Rome: My i - dols all I cast a - way— Christ's

Children *rall.*
Refrain



stole His bo - dy far a - way. Fie, old Ro-man, why tell a lie?
 we were all of us fast a - sleep. Fie, old Ro-man, why tell a lie?
 tell the sto - ry I have told. Fie, old Ro-man, why tell a lie? For
 rose, and glid-ed from our sight. Fie, old Ro-man, why tell a lie?
 sol - dier till my dy - ing day! Right, old Ro-man, fight for the Light;



Christ is ris-en, Christ is ris-en in - deed. Hal-le - lu-jah, hal-le - lu-jah, hal-le-



- lu - jah, A - men.