

How Will They Know?

Appropriate for Parents and Leaders

Smoothly ♩ = 60-63

Piano introduction in 4/4 time. The right hand features a melody with notes G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. The left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords C, C7, and F. Fingerings are indicated: 1 for the right hand and 1, 3 for the left hand.

(Optional descant 2nd verse only)

Vocal and piano accompaniment for the first two verses. The vocal line includes lyrics: "How will they know That if they", "1. How will they know, the ones for whom we care,", and "(2.) learn that, though they go a - stray,". The piano accompaniment includes an optional descant for the second verse. Chords G, C, Dm, G7, and C are used. Fingerings 5, 3, 5, 2, 1 are shown for the right hand.

Vocal and piano accompaniment for the third verse. The vocal line includes lyrics: "stray God will for - give and help them find the", "That God is love and with us ev' - ry - where,", and "God will for - give and help them find the way?". The piano accompaniment includes chords F and C. Fingerings 1, 3, 5 are shown for the right hand.

Vocal and piano accompaniment for the fourth verse. The vocal line includes lyrics: "way? How will they feel the Spir - it day by", "That life is good, with bless - ings all can share?", and "How will they feel the Spir - it day by day?". The piano accompaniment includes chords G, C, Am, Em, and F. Fingerings 5, 1, 2 are shown for the right hand.

1.

day? How will they know un - less we

G7 C Dm7 G7 C

How will they know un - less we teach them so?

2.

teach them so? How will they

G G7 E

2. How will they teach them so? (Piano)

Sop1
Sop2
Alto

grow in wis - dom and de - light? How will they

Am F#dim B7 E

choose to fol - low what is right? How can they

Am F#dim B7 E

trust the fu - ture will be bright? How will they

Am Em F G7 C F

Detailed description: This system contains the first four measures of the piece. The vocal line starts with a quarter note on 'trust', followed by a half note on 'the', a quarter note on 'fu - ture', a quarter note on 'will', a quarter note on 'be', a quarter note on 'bright?', and a quarter note on 'How'. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords in the right hand. Fingering numbers 4, 2, 4, and 3 are indicated in the bass line.

know un - less we show them? How will they

C F C Dm7 G7

Detailed description: This system contains the next four measures. The vocal line continues with a quarter note on 'know', a quarter note on 'un - less', a quarter note on 'we', a quarter note on 'show', a quarter note on 'them?', a quarter note on 'How', and a quarter note on 'they'. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and a bass line. Fingering numbers 1, 4, and 2 are shown.

live when they at last are grown? What will they

C F G C F G

Detailed description: This system contains the next four measures. The vocal line has a quarter note on 'live', a quarter note on 'when', a quarter note on 'they', a quarter note on 'at', a quarter note on 'last', a quarter note on 'are', a quarter note on 'grown?', a quarter note on 'What', a quarter note on 'will', and a quarter note on 'they'. The piano accompaniment features chords and a bass line. Fingering numbers 2, 5, 3, 4, and 2 are indicated.

give to chil - dren of their own? Will they re -

C F Dm7 G

Detailed description: This system contains the final four measures. The vocal line has a quarter note on 'give', a quarter note on 'to', a quarter note on 'chil - dren', a quarter note on 'of', a quarter note on 'their', a quarter note on 'own?', a quarter note on 'Will', a quarter note on 'they', and a quarter note on 're -'. The piano accompaniment concludes with chords and a bass line. Fingering numbers 5 and 1 are shown.

flect the val - ues we have shown? How will they

C G Am Em F G7

How will they know, as on they go? *Broadly*

know, as on through life they go? How will they

C Dm C D7

know un - less we strive to teach them

C F C G(sus4) G

so?

C C7 Fm6 C

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Deuteronomy 6:5–7
 Isaiah 54:13