

When Joseph Went to Bethlehem/Mary's Lullaby Medley

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$\text{♩} = 80$ *Gently*

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Voice

When Jo-seph went to

8 10

Vo.

Beth - le - hem, I think he took great care To place his tools and

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Vo.

close his shop and leave no shav - ings there. He urged the don - key

16 18

Vo. for - ward then, with Mar - y on its back, And car - ried bread and

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Vo. goat cheese in a lit - tle lin - en sack.

24 26 28

Vo. I think there at the bus - y inn that he was meek and

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Vo. mild And awed to be the guard-i - an of Mar-y's sa-cred child. Per -

34 36

Vo. haps all through the chill - y hours he smoothed the swad - dling bands, And

38 40

Vo. Je - sus felt the qui - et strength of Jo - seph's gen - tle hands. Lul-la -

42 44

Vo. by, lul-la-by, my lit - tle - one. Lul-la - by, my child so dear. Thy -

46 48

Vo. pre-cious life has just - be - gun; Thy loved ones hold thee near. And

50 52

Vo. Jo - seph watch - es through the night, While a star re-flects thy

54 56

Vo. ra - diant light. Lul-la - by, lul-la-by, my lit - tle - one. Lul-la - by, my child so

58 60

Vo. dear. And close be - side the man - ger bed, Jo - seph dimmed the lan - tern's

62 64

Vo. light And held the lit - tle Je - sus close up - on that ho - ly night.