

A Father's Prayer

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♩ = 72

Em7 D^{add9}/F# G A^{sus}⁴ A

Voice

Piano

mf *mp*

I've ne-ver

4 G^{sus}² D/F#

Vo.

Pno.

been the kind_ of guy_ to write a song that makes you cry_ but this

6 Em7 D/F# G^{maj}^{7/9}

Vo.

Pno.

new life that's be-gin-in' is grin - nin' at me_ So

8 *Gsus²* *D/F#*

Vo. Fa - ther now__ I pray__ and give you thanks for ev-'ry day__ that these

Pno.

10 *Em⁷* *Dmaj⁷/F#* *G* *Dmaj⁷/F#*

Vo. lit-tle hands__ and ti-ny feet__ have clothes to wear__ and food to eat__ and

Pno.

12 *Em^{7/9}* *Asus⁴* *A*

Vo. air to breathe__ and a heart that beats__ Breathe your

Pno.

14 **A**

Vo. **D** **G**
 breath in - to his soul. Guide his hands as they grow. Send your

Pno.

16 **Bm** **D/A** **G** **Asus⁴** **A**
 love from a - bove so he will al - ways know what is wrong

Pno.

18 **D** **G**
 and what is right e - ven when I'm not in sight, 'cause I

Pno.

20 **Bm** **D/A** **G** **D/F#**

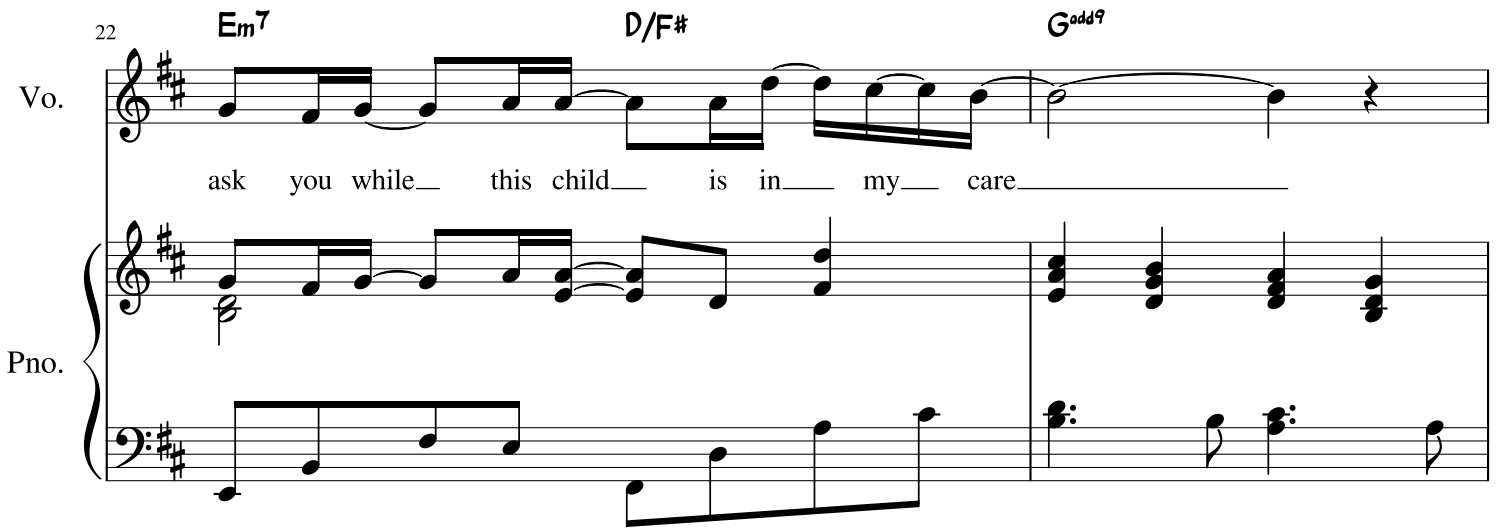
Vo. know some day__ I'll learn__ to let__ him__ go._____ But I

Pno.

22 **Em7** **D/F#** **Gadd9**

Vo. ask you while__ this child__ is in__ my__ care._____

Pno.



24 **Asus4** **A** **Dsus4** **D** **Em** **D/F#**

Vo. will you hear his fa - ther's__ prayer?_____

Pno. *mf*



27 **G** *Asus⁴* **A** **B** *Gsus²*

Vo. When he's strong e - nough__ to stand__ and he can

Pno.

29 *D/F#* *Em⁷* *D/F#*

Vo. walk with-out my hand__ let him be a bet-ter man__ than I

Pno.

31 *Gmaj^{7/9}* *Gsus²*

Vo. ev - er was. And when he fi - n'ly finds__ his voice__ set him

Pno.

33 **D/F#** **Em7** **D/F#**

Vo. free to make a choice_ to be good and true_ and kind_ and have

Pno.

35 **G** **D/F#** **Em7**

Vo. peace and strength_ of mind_ so when temp - ta - tion's at his door_ he'll know

Pno.

37 **G** **A** **C** **D**

Vo. what this prayer is for. Breathe your breath in - to his soul_ Guide his

Pno.

39 **G** **Bm** **D/A**

Vo. hands_ as_ they grow_ Send your love from a - bove_ so he_

Pno.

41 **G** **Asus⁴** **A** **D**

Vo. _ will al - ways_ know_ what is wrong_ and what is right_ e-ven

Pno.

43 **G** **Bm** **D/A**

Vo. when I'm not in sight,_ 'cause I know someday_ I'll learn_ to let_ him_ go_

Pno.

45 **G** **D/F#** **Em7** **D/F#**

Vo. But I ask you while__ this child__ is in__ my__ care__

Pno.

47 **Gmaj7sus2** **A7/9sus4** **A** **Dsus4** **D**

Vo. will you hear his fa - ther's__ prayer?__ Help me pro-

Pno.

49 **D** **G** **A** **D**

Vo. vide, pre - side,__ pro - tect,__ and de - fend,__ and

Pno.

51 **G** **A** **Bm** **Bm/A** **D/F#**

Vo. love him with_ a love_ that ne-ver ends. Help me

Pno.

53 **Em7** **D/F#** **G** **D/F#**

Vo. raise him in_ the truth,_ and raise him in_ the light._ And

Pno.

55 **Em7** **Gmaj7** **Asus4**

Vo. warm his_ soul,_ and bring him safe - ly through_ the night._

Pno. *mp*

57 *Gmaj7sus²* *Asus⁴* *A* **E** *D*

Vo. Breathe your breath in - to his soul. — Guide his

Pno. *p*

60 *G* *Bm* *D/A*

Vo. hands — as — they grow. — Send your love from a - bove — so he —

Pno.

62 *G* *Asus⁴* *A* *D*

Vo. — will al - ways — know — what is wrong — and what is right — e - ven

Pno. *f*

64 **G** **Bm** **D/A**

Vo. when I'm not in sight, 'cause I know some day I'll learn to let him go.

Pno.

66 **G** **D/F#** **Em7** **D/F#** **G**

Vo. But I ask you while this child is in my care

Pno.

69 **A7sus4** **A** **D6sus4**

Vo. will you hear his father's prayer? Yes, I

Pno. *mp*

71 **Em7** **D/F#** **G** **A**

Vo. ask you while__ this child__ is in__ my__ care__ will you hear his fa - ther's__ prayer?_

Pno.

73 **G** **Dadd9** **G** **A7** **D**

Vo.

Pno. rit. molto rit.