

By the Waters of Babylon

Psalm 136 (137 KJV)

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English Adaptation
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1.

BY THE WA - TERS OF BA - BY - LON, THERE WE SAT DOWN, WE SAT

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. Both are in the key of D major (one sharp) and common time (C). The melody is primarily chordal, with notes often beamed together. The lyrics are: BY THE WA - TERS OF BA - BY - LON, THERE WE SAT DOWN, WE SAT

DOWN AND WEPT; WE WEPT WHEN WE RE - MEM - BER ZI -

The second system continues the music. The lyrics are: DOWN AND WEPT; WE WEPT WHEN WE RE - MEM - BER ZI -

2.

ON. AL - LE - LU - IA. ON THE WIL - LOWS THERE WE HUNG

The third system begins with a double bar line and a second measure rest. The lyrics are: ON. AL - LE - LU - IA. ON THE WIL - LOWS THERE WE HUNG

UP OUR HARPS; ON THE WIL - LOWS THERE WE HUNG UP OUR

The fourth system continues the music. The lyrics are: UP OUR HARPS; ON THE WIL - LOWS THERE WE HUNG UP OUR

3.

HARPS; AL - LE - LU - IA. FOR THERE OUR

The fifth system continues the music. The lyrics are: HARPS; AL - LE - LU - IA. FOR THERE OUR

CAP - TORS, THERE OUR CAP - TORS DE - MAND - ED, DE - MAND - ED OF

US THE WORDS OF SONGS, AND THEY WHO LED US A - WAY

SAID: SING TO US ONE OF THE SONGS OF ZI - ON. AL - LE -

LU - IA. HOW SHALL WE SING THE SONG OF THE

LORD IN A STRANGE LAND? AL - LE - LU - IA.

5.

IF I FOR - GET YOU EV - ER, O MY JE - RU - SA -

LEM, LET MY RIGHT HAND BE FOR - GOT - TEN. AL - LE -

6.

LU - IA. LET MY TONGUE AL - SO CLEAVE TO THE

ROOF OF MY MOUTH, IF I DO NOT RE - MEM - BER YOU, IF I DO

NOT SET JE - RU - SA - LEM A - BOVE MY JOY, SET JE - RU - SA - LEM A -

BOVE MY HIGH - EST JOY. AL - LE - LU - IA.

7.

RE - MEM - BER, RE - MEM - BER, O LORD, THE CHILD - REN OF

E - DOM IN THE DAY OF JE - RU - SA - LEM, WHO SAY: RAZE IT, RAZE IT;

RAZE IT EV - EN TO THE FOUN - DA - TION THERE - OF. AL - LE - LU -

IA. O DAUGH - TER OF BAB - Y - LON: YOU ARE TO

8.

BE DE - STROYED; BLESS - ED IS HE WHO RE - QUITES YOU WITH

WHAT YOU HAVE DONE TO US, RE - QUITES YOU WITH WHAT YOU HAVE

DONE TO US. AL - LE - LU - IA. BLESS - ED IS

HE WHO SHALL TAKE AND DASH YOUR LIT - TLE ONES A - GAINST THE

STONE AL - LE - LU - IA.

Suggested abridged version: No. 1,2,4,5,8,9
 Recommendation: Sing one tone higher, if F-sharp minor.