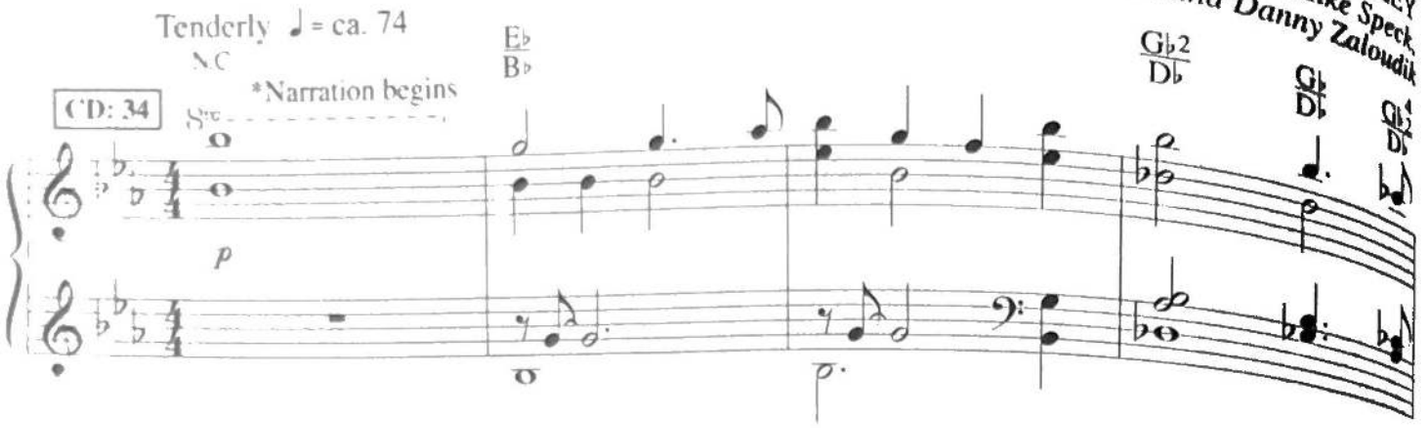New Kid in Town
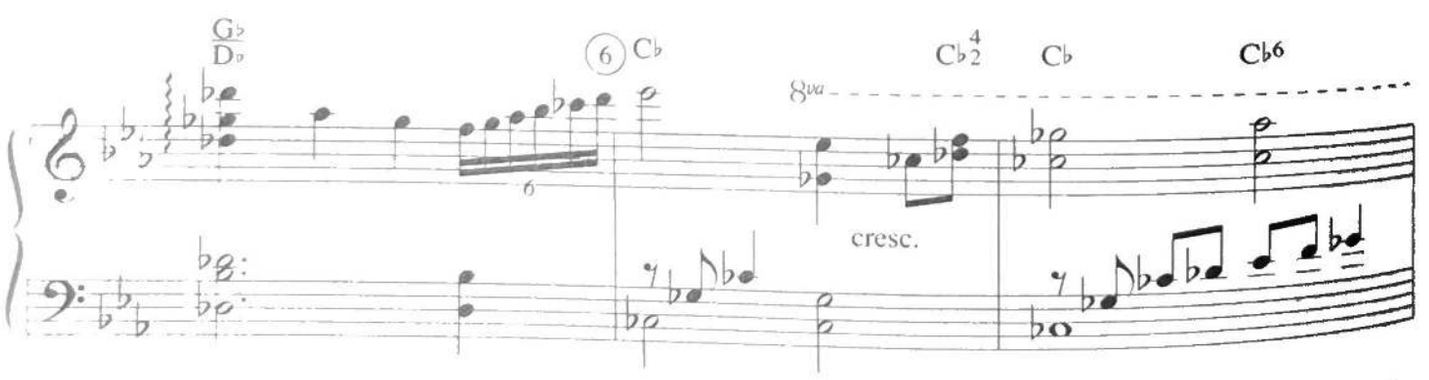
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*NARRATOR: Shepherds, simple men with humble hearts, were filled with fear when the angel of the Lord and the glory of His presence lit up the sky that first Christmas. The angel revealed to them that a Savior had been born. Leaving their flock and their responsibility, the shepherds hurriedly traveled to Bethlehem to find this Baby who was Christ the Lord...and there He was...lying in a manger, just as the angel had said. Scriptures reveal that they could not contain what they saw and what they heard. It's amazing that common keepers of sheep were the first to be invited to see the Savior of the world. Think what the shepherds would have missed had they chosen to disregard God's invitation.
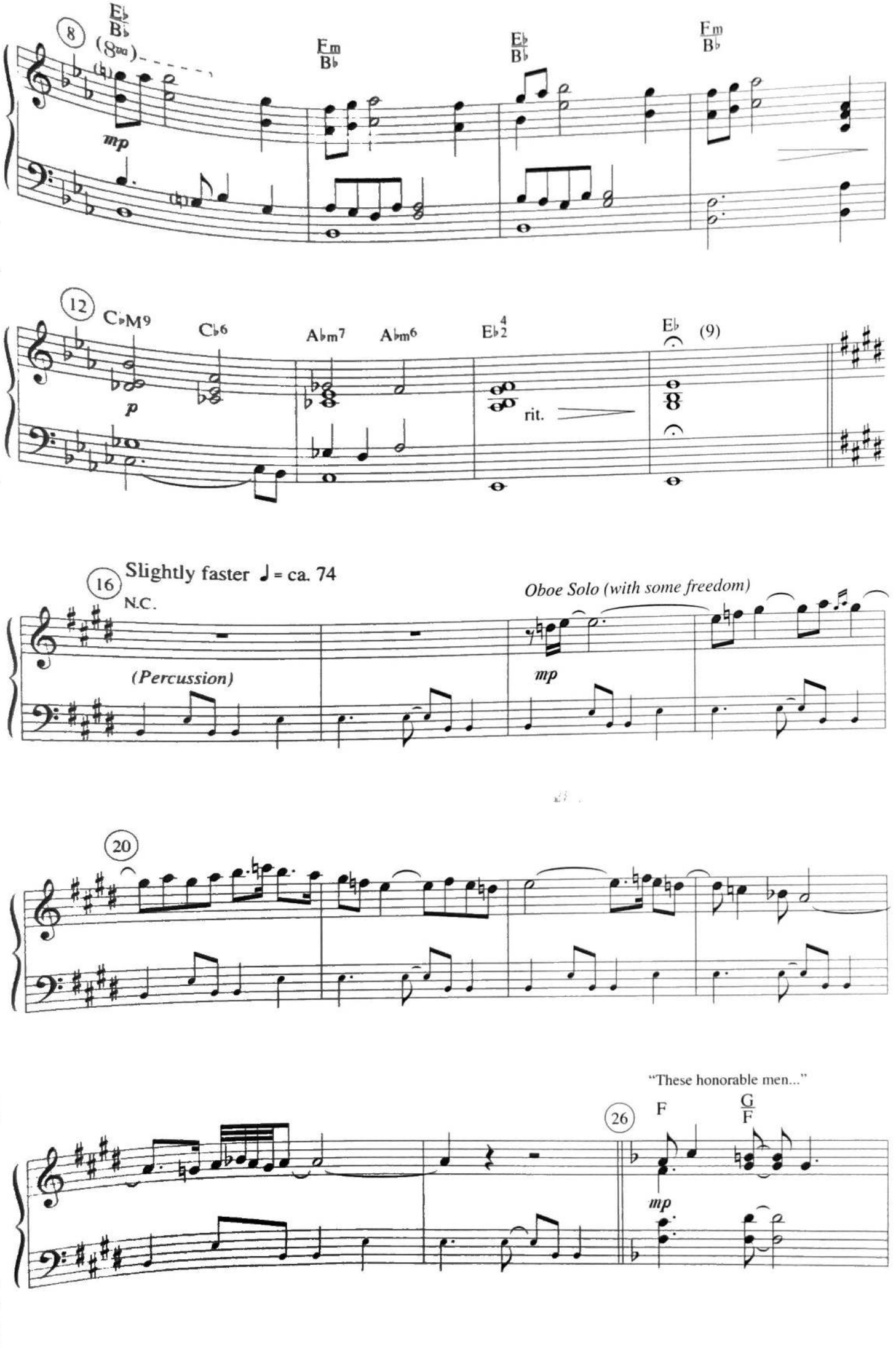
We are not certain of the exact time, but we do know that men of great wisdom, from a distant country saw a brilliant star. Leaving houses and lands, they chose to follow that majestic star, wherever it would lead, no matter how long the journey might be. What would cause these men to follow a star? Why would they spend a portion of their life and their own money, looking for a King of another kingdom?
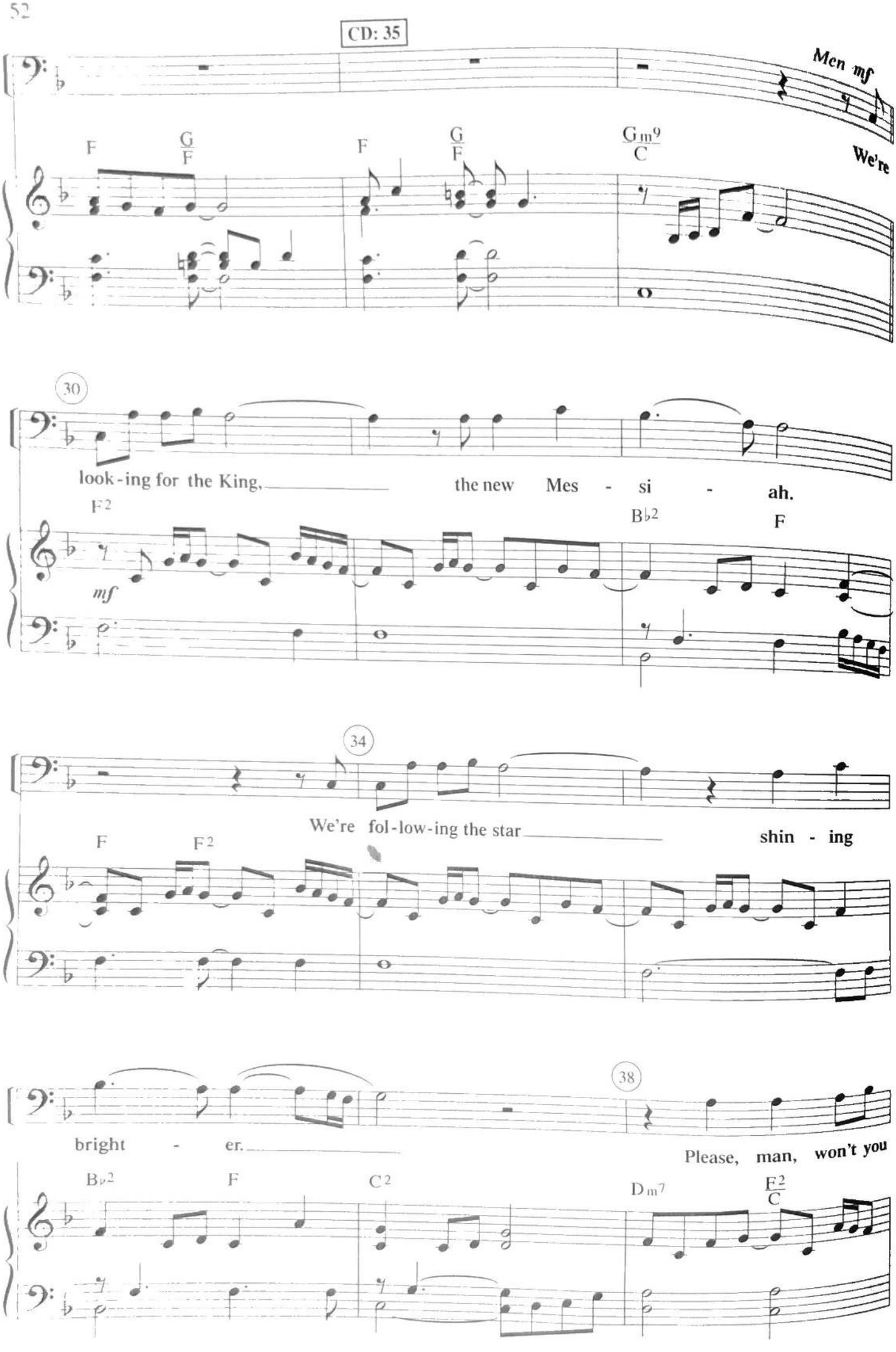
These honorable men searched diligently...bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh... they were determined to find the young King and to worship Him.
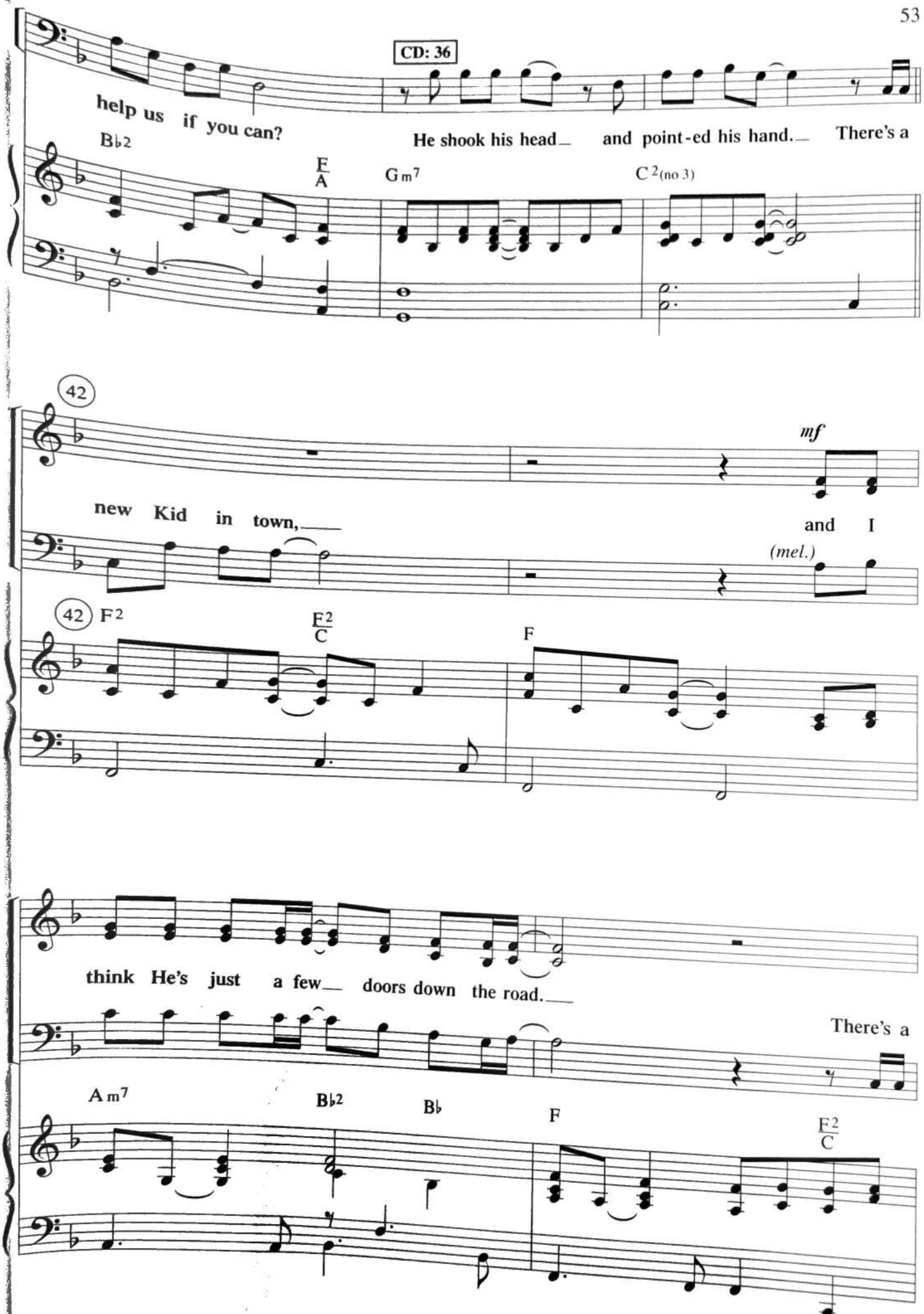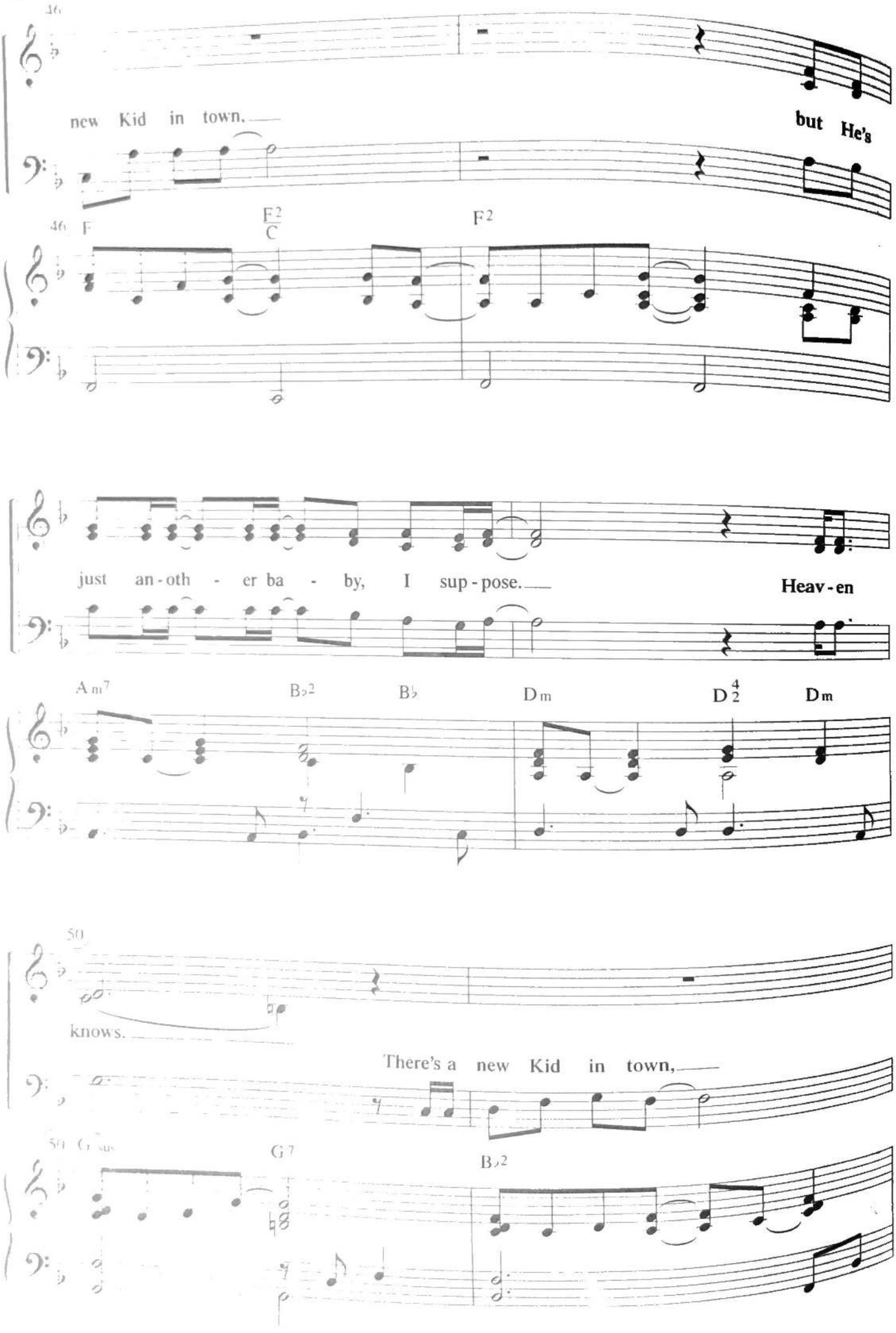


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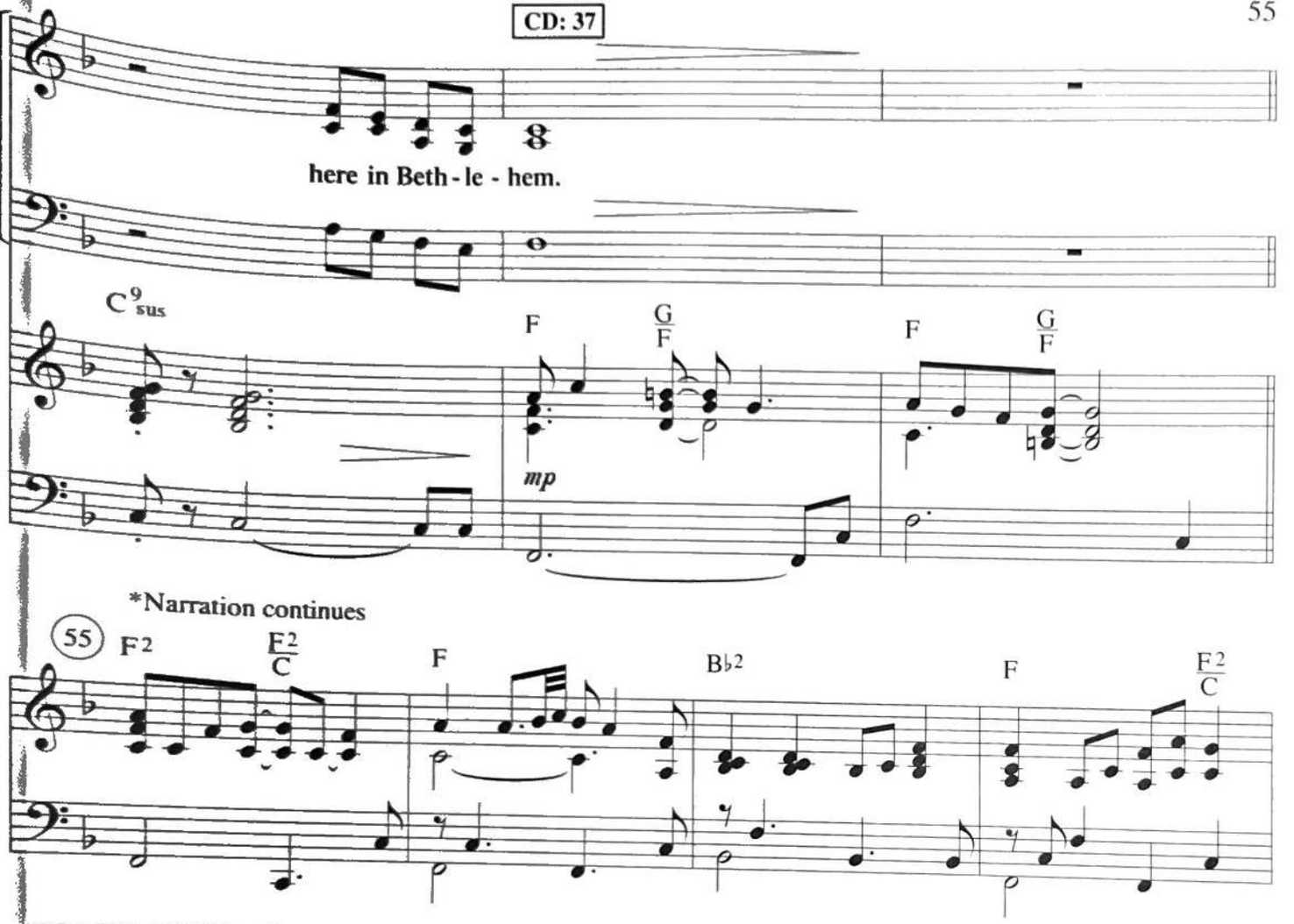

8
Eb/Bb
Fm/Bb
Eb/Bb
Fm/Bb
mp
12
CbM9
Cb6
Abm7
Abm6
Eb2 4
Eb
(9)
p
rit.
16
Slightly faster ♩ = ca. 74
N.C.
Oboe Solo (with some freedom)
(Percussion)
mp
20
"These honorable men..."
26
F
G/F
mp


CD: 35
Men mf
We're
F
G/F
F
G/F
Gm9/C
30
look-ing for the King,
the new Mes - si - ah.
F2
mf
B♭2
F
34
We're fol-low-ing the star
shin - ing
F
F2
38
bright - er.
Please, man, won't you
B♭2
F
C2
Dm7
F2/C


CD: 36
help us if you can?
He shook his head and point-ed his hand. There's a
B♭2
F/A
Gm7
C2(no 3)
42
mf
new Kid in town,
and I
(mel.)
42 F2
F2/C
F
think He's just a few doors down the road.
There's a
Am7
B♭2
B♭
F
F2/C
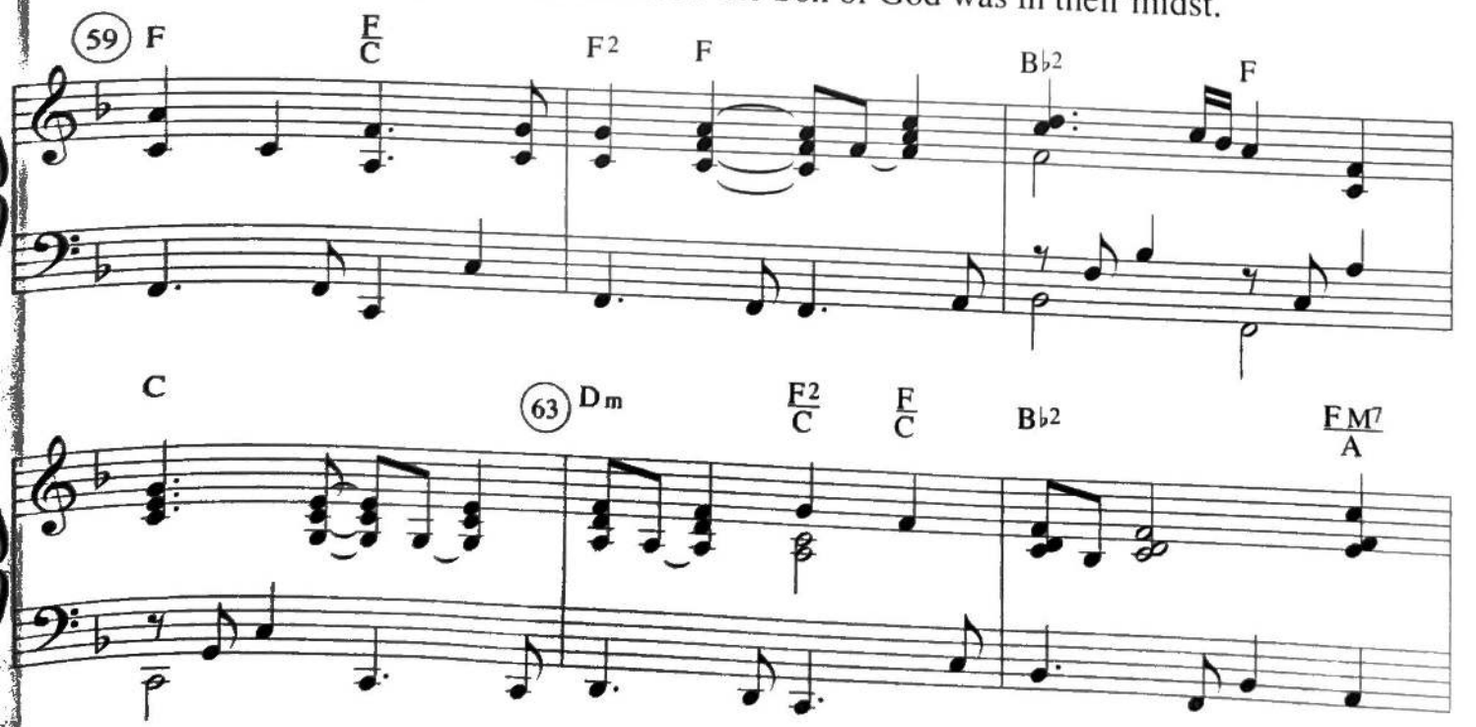

46
new Kid in town,
but He's
46 F
F2/C
F2
just an-oth-er ba-by, I sup-pose.
Heav-en
Am7
B♭2
B♭
Dm
D4/2
Dm
50
knows.
There's a new Kid in town,
50 Gsus
G7
B♭2
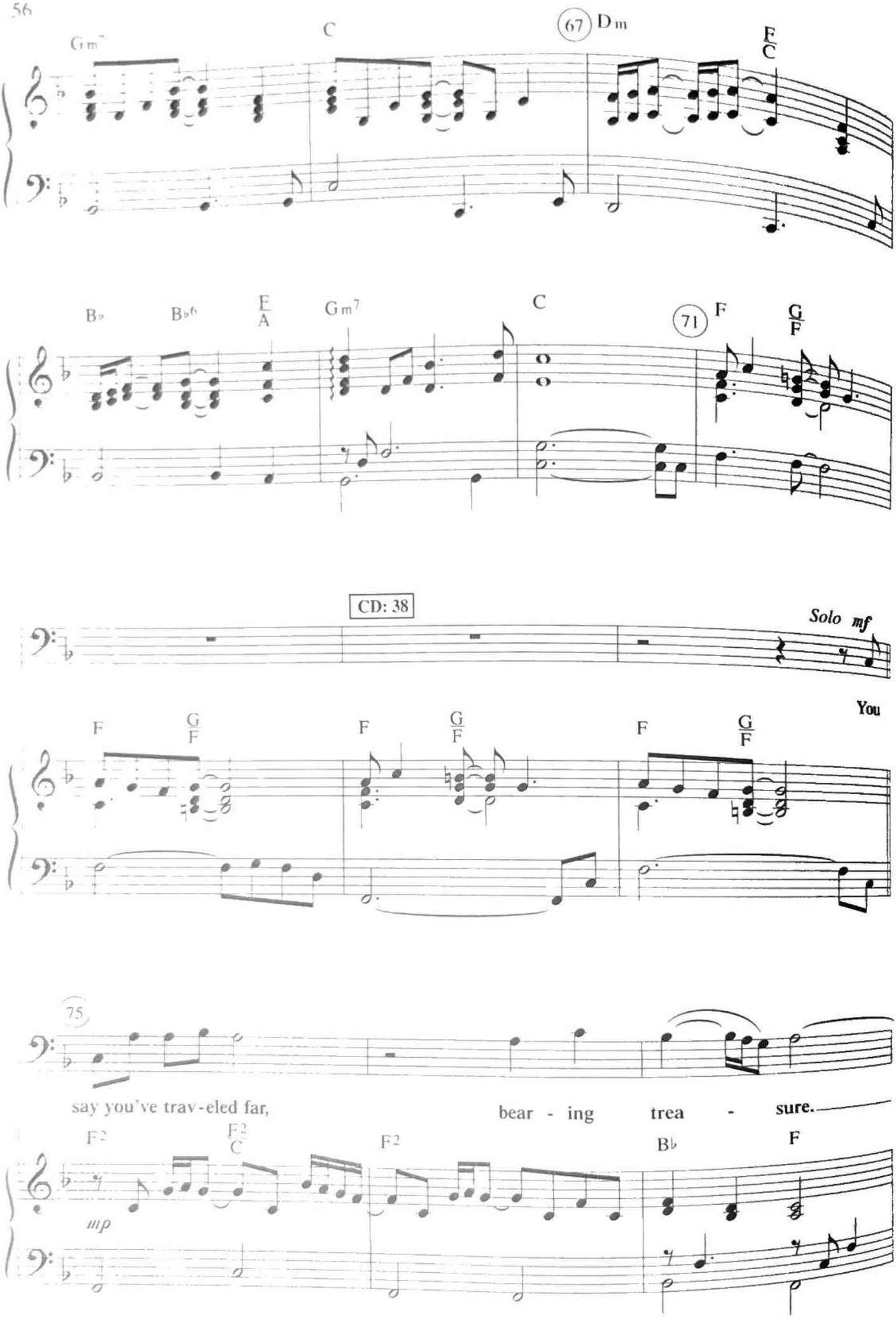
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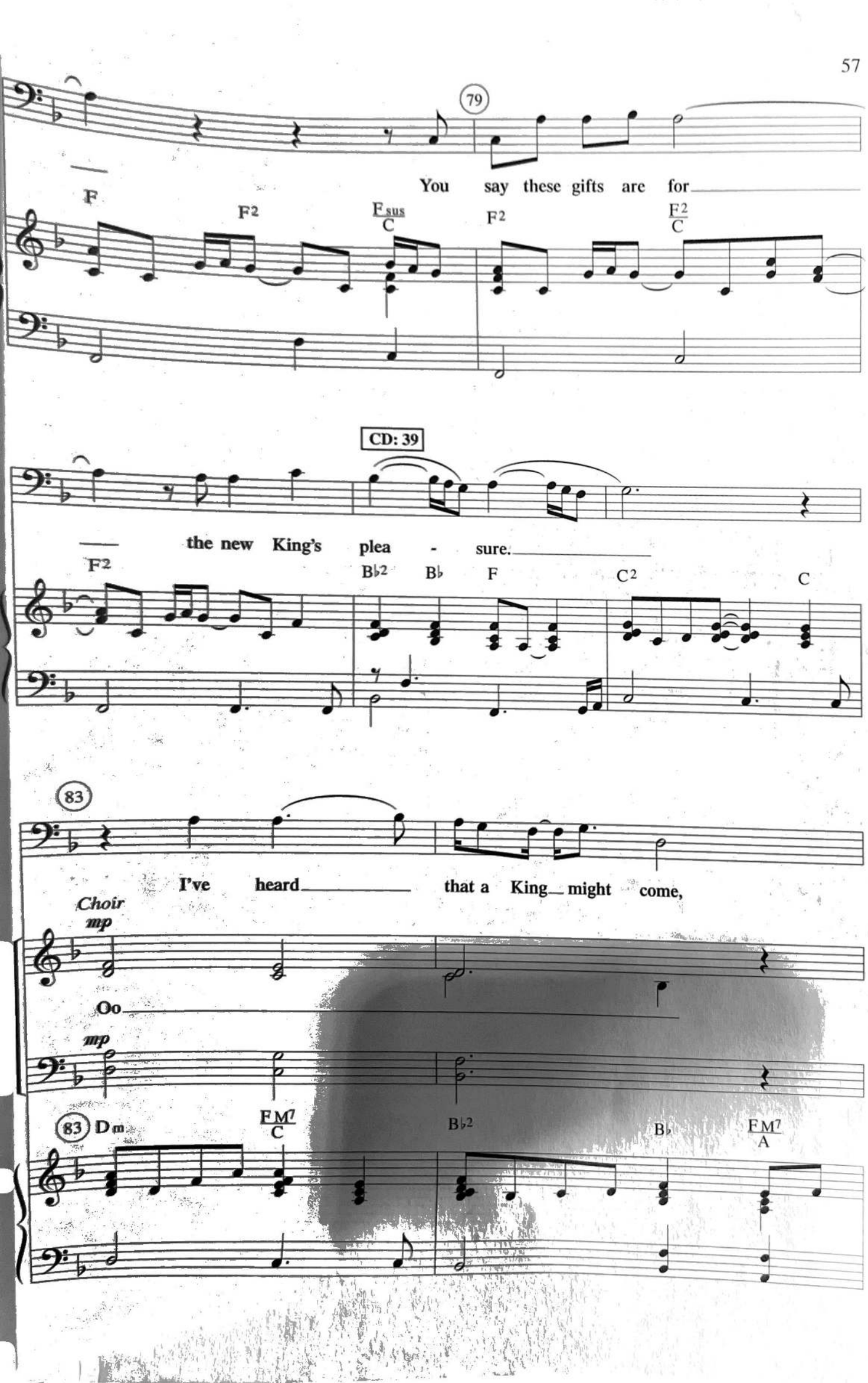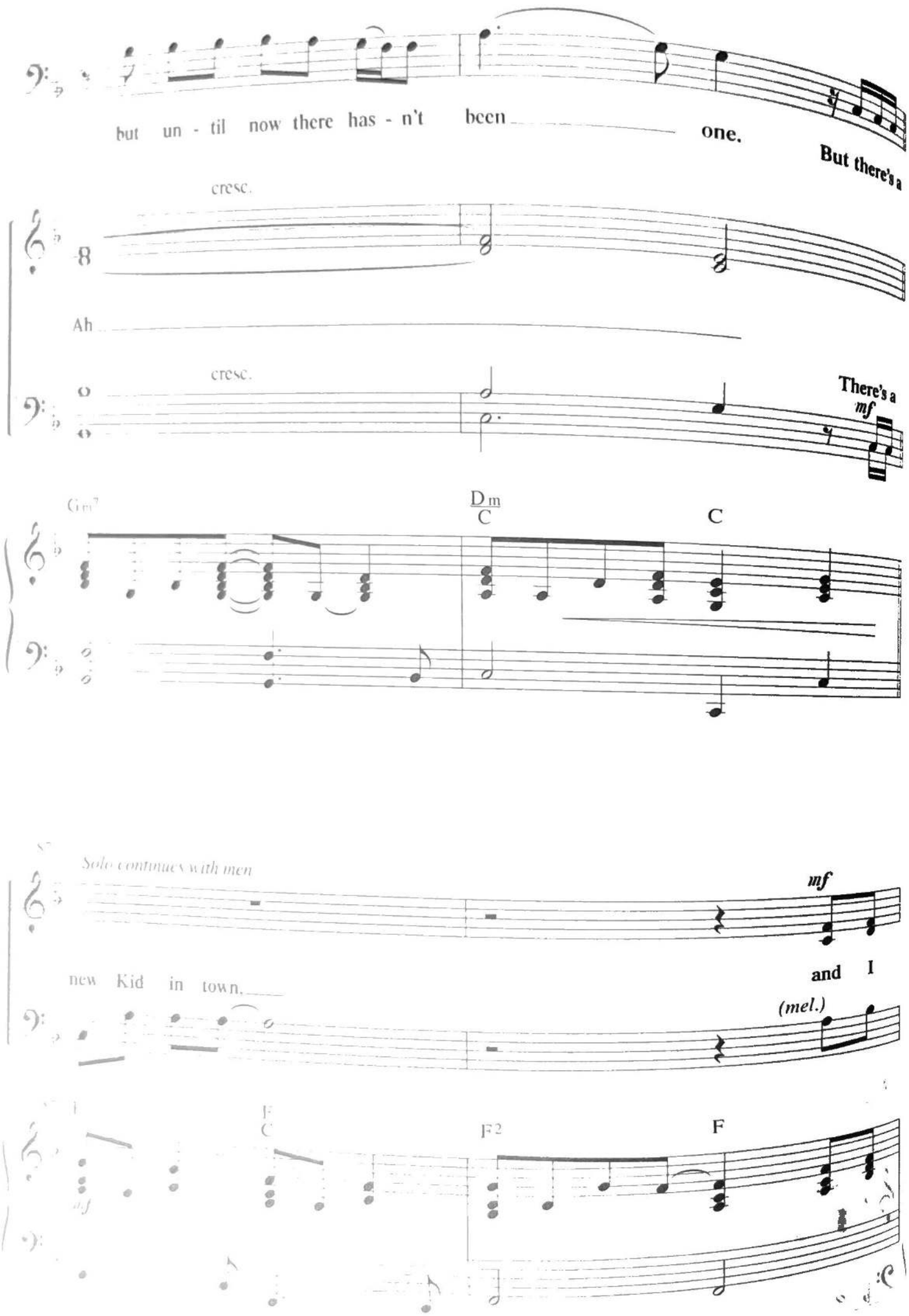


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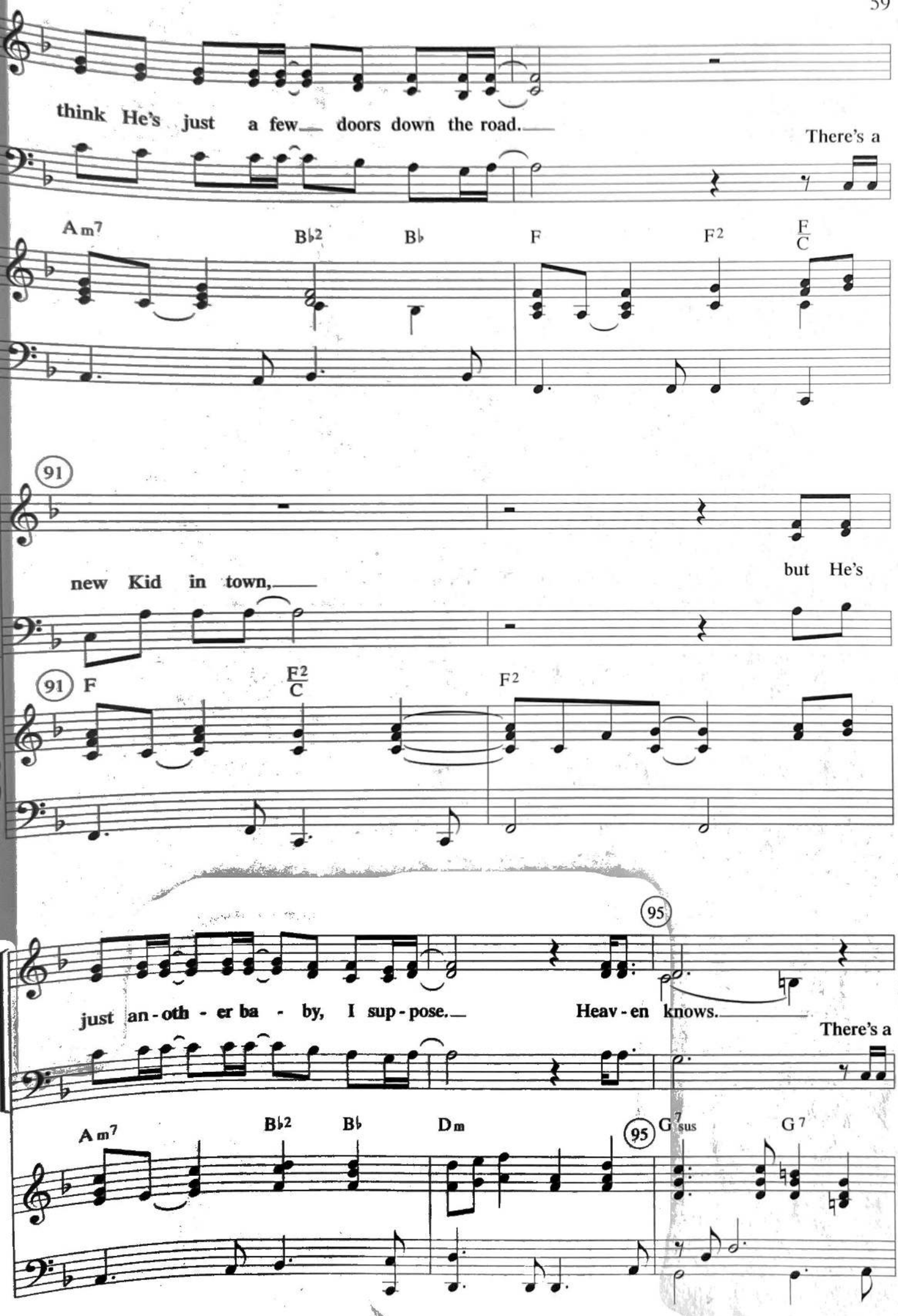
*NARRATOR: Sometimes we fail to consider the human side of this story. The star that led the wise men brought them first to the city of Jerusalem. It's not surprising that these learned men went through official channels in their search for the Messiah. They questioned Herod, the governor of Judea, as to the whereabouts of this new King. He had to consult the chief priests and scribes to learn that the ancient scrolls had prophesied Bethlehem, a small village just five miles from Jerusalem, as the place where Christ, the Messiah would be born. I can imagine as these men entered this town of prophecy, they probably stopped someone and inquired where the King might be found... Yet those who lived within the very town did not know the Son of God was in their midst.
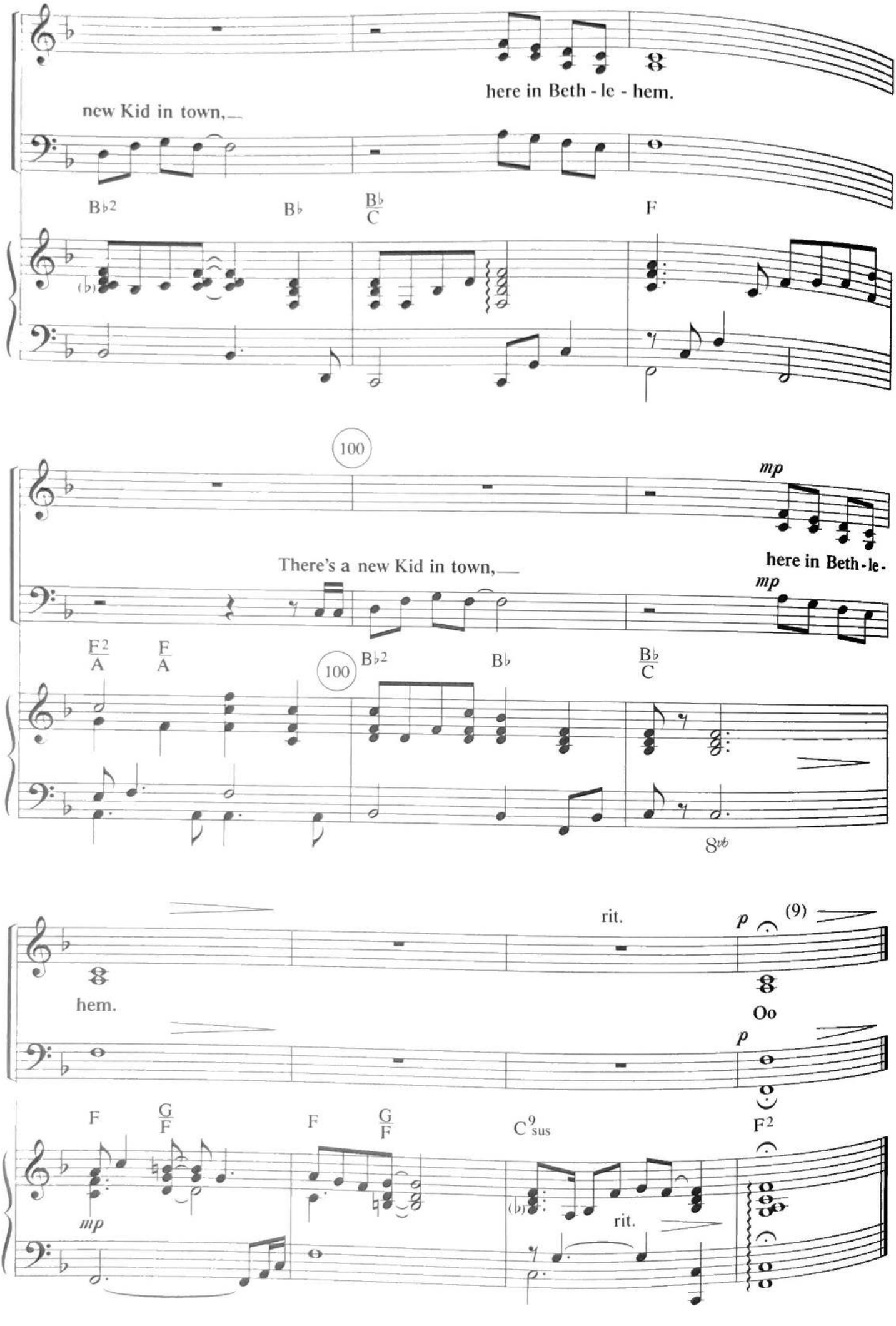



Gm7
C
67
Dm
F
C
B♭
B♭6
E
A
Gm7
C
71
F
G
F
CD: 38
Solo mf
You
F
G
F
F
G
F
F
G
F
75
say you've trav-eled far,
bear - ing trea - sure.
F2
F2
C
F2
B♭
F
mp


79
You say these gifts are for
F
F2
Esus
C
F2
F2
C
CD: 39
the new King's plea - sure.
F2
B♭2
B♭
F
C2
C
83
I've heard that a King might come,
Choir
mp
Oo
mp
83 Dm
FM7
C
B♭2
B♭
FM7
A


but un - til now there has - n't been one.
But there's a
cresc.
Ah
cresc.
There's a
mf
Gm7
Dm
C
C
Solo continues with men
mf
new Kid in town.
and I
(mel.)
F
C
F2
F


think He's just a few doors down the road.
There's a
Am7
B♭2
B♭
F
F2
F/C
91
new Kid in town,
but He's
91 F
F2/C
F2
95
just an-oth-er ba-by, I sup-pose.
Heav-en knows.
There's a
Am7
B♭2
B♭
Dm
95
G7sus
G7


here in Beth - le - hem.
new Kid in town,—
B♭2
B♭
B♭/C
F
100
mp
here in Beth - le -
There's a new Kid in town,—
mp
F2/A
F/A
100
B♭2
B♭
B♭/C
8vb
rit.
p
(9)
hem.
Oo
p
F
G/F
F
G/F
C9sus
F2
mp
rit.