

Dedicated to the choirs of James F. Byrnes High School and Freshman Academy, Duncan, SC
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TELL ME, TELL ME!

(A Christmas Spiritual)

for S.S.A. voices and piano
with optional SoundTrax CD*

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With spirit (♩ = ca. 144)

SOPRANO I
SOPRANO II

ALTO

With spirit (♩ = ca. 144)

PIANO

mf

4

mf

Tell me, tell me, tell me 'bout the ba - by,

The musical score is written for Soprano I, Soprano II, Alto, and Piano. It begins with a tempo marking of 'With spirit' and a quarter note equal to approximately 144 beats per minute. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The piano part starts with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The vocal parts have rests for the first three measures. In the fourth measure, the vocal line begins with the lyrics 'Tell me, tell me, tell me 'bout the ba - by,'. The piano accompaniment continues with a rhythmic pattern of eighth and quarter notes.

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sweet - ly ly - in' in the hay.____

mf

Tell me, tell me, tell_

10

____ me 'bout the ba - by, come to earth____ on Christ-mas day.____

15

mf

Tell me, tell me, tell_

Tell me, tell me, tell_

16

— me 'bout the an - gels, gath - er - 'in in the eve - ning sky. —

— me 'bout the an - gels, gath - er - 'in in the eve - ning sky. —

19

Tell me, tell me, tell — me 'bout the an - gels, sing - in' "Hal - le - lu"

Tell me, tell me, tell — me 'bout the an - gels, sing - in' "Hal - le - lu"

22

from on high. — Hal - le -

from on high. —

25

lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah!

28

Hal-le - lu - jah! lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah!

31

33

Tell me 'bout that ba - by boy. Tell me, tell me, tell...
Tell me 'bout that ba - by boy. Tell me, tell me, tell...

34

— me 'bout the shep - herds, watch - in' all their flocks by night...

— me 'bout the shep - herds, watch - in' all their flocks by night...

37

Tell me, tell me, tell me 'bout the shep - herds, how they saw that

Tell me, tell me, tell me 'bout the shep - herds, how they saw that

40

star so bright...

star so bright...

43

sing third time only

S. I

mf

Tell me, tell me, come and tell me,

sing second and third times only

S. II

mf

Tell me, tell me, come on and tell me, tell me.

sing all three times

A.

mf

Tell me, come on and tell me, tell me

play three times

46

tell me. Oh, tell me, tell me, won't you

Oh, tell me, tell me, come on and

about the boy. Won't you tell me, come on and tell me,

49

tell me a - bout that ba - by boy.---

tell me a - bout that ba - by boy.---

tell me a - bout that ba - by boy.---

repeat twice

52

S. I

S. II

A.

f Tell me, tell me, tell___ me 'bout the wise men,

f Tell me, tell me, tell___ me 'bout the wise men,

f

55

trav - el - ing, trav - el - ing from a - far. — Tell me, tell me, tell -

trav - el - ing, trav - el - ing from a - far. — Tell me, tell me, tell -

58

— me'bout the wise men, come to fol - low a shin - ing star. — Hal - le -

— me'bout the wise men, come to fol - low a shin - ing star. —

61

lu - jah! — Hal - le - lu - jah! —

Hal - le - lu - jah! — Hal - le -

64

Hal - le - lu - jah!___

lu - jah!___ Hal - le - lu - jah!___

67

Tell me 'bout that ba - by boy___ Tell me, tell me, tell_

Tell me 'bout that ba - by boy. ___ Tell me, tell me, tell_

70

me 'bout the ba - by, sweet - ly ly - in' in the hay. ___

me 'bout the ba - by, sweet - ly ly - in' in the hay. ___

73

Tell me, tell me, tell me 'bout the ba - by,

Tell me, tell me, tell me 'bout the ba - by,

75

77

come to earth on Christ-mas Day. Tell me,

come to earth on Christ-mas Day. Tell me,

78

tell me.

tell me.

81 *cresc.* *ff*

Tell me, tell me, come on and tell me

cresc. *ff*

Tell me, tell me, come on and tell me

cresc. *ff*

Red.

84

a - bout the ba - by boy. Tell me!

a - bout the ba - by boy. Tell me!