Call Me Adam

Music and original lyrics:
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Introduction: Chaos into order

Singers make various sounds - whistle, sshhhh, oooo, etc.
starting quietly and building to a climax that cuts off
suddenly at the first piano note.

Steady ♩ = 72

In the be -

gin - ning of cre - a - tion, when God made heaven and earth, the

earth was with - out form and void;

There was

dark - ness on the face of the deep, and a might - y

wind that moved o - ver the sur - face of the wa - ters.

1. I'm gonna make me a world

Lively ♩ = 144

I'm gon - na make me a world,___ and put a lot of creat-ures in it, gon - na make me a world___ where all my skills will be dis -

31 played, I'm gon - na make me a world,___ just you watch how I be - gin it, there'll be

36 more in it than ev - er you'd i - ma - gine could be made! made! I will make

42 din - o saurs and bron - to saurs, pte - ro - dac - tyls and tyr - ran - no - saur - us,

46 fish - es and ex - o - tic kinds of birds, I will make hip - pos and rhi -

51 no - cer - os and e - ven duck-billed pla - ty - pus and o - thers too pre - pos - ter - ous for

56 words. I will make beet - les, bugs and flies and lice and lo - custs, spi - ders,

61 rats and mice, all sorts of fun - ny things, don't ask me why; I'll make

66 hors - es, cows and use - ful things, I may give farm - yard crea - tures wings, you ne - ver know,

A little slower ♩ = 132

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pigs might fly! But just you wait till you see____ my spe - ci -

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al - i - ty, I'll make it the best____ that I can, to some de - gree

83

he'll take af - ter me,____ I think I'll call him Man.

89

He can go his own way____ no mat - ter what I say____ I'll

give him a will___ of his own, though he may sin___

I'll still let him in___ to kneel be - fore my

Slower ♩ = 100

throne. And I'll al - ways love him, what - ev - er he may

do, and who knows, some day he may love me

2. The Seven Days of Creation

Moderately slow (one-in-a-bar) ♩. = 52

114

too.

p

Con Ped.

122 *Simply and sweetly*

mp 1. On the first day God made the light, di - vid - ing night and day,_____
mf 2. On the third day God made the earth, with plants of ev - ery kind,_____

mp

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and on the se - cond the fir - ma - ment with stars__ a - long the
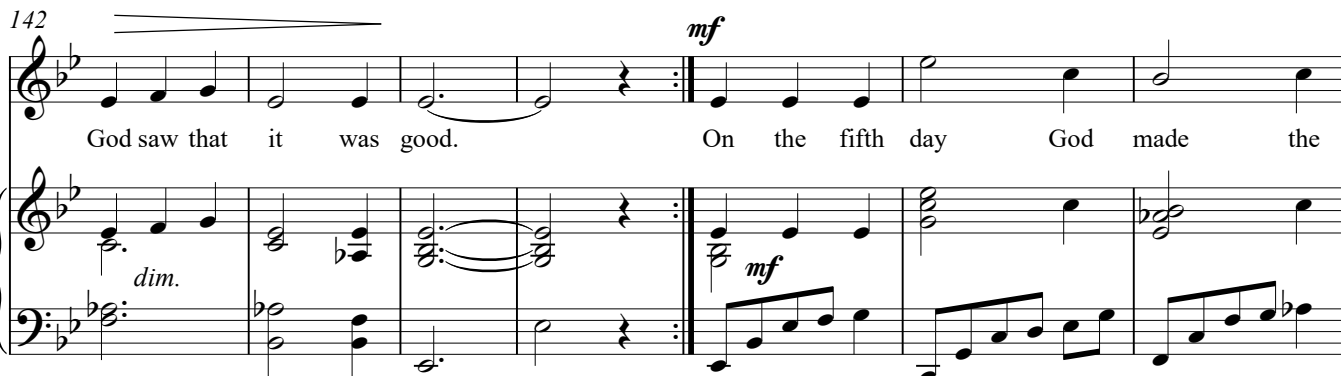and on the fourth__ the sun and moon to keep day and night de -

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way._____ And God saw that it was good,_____
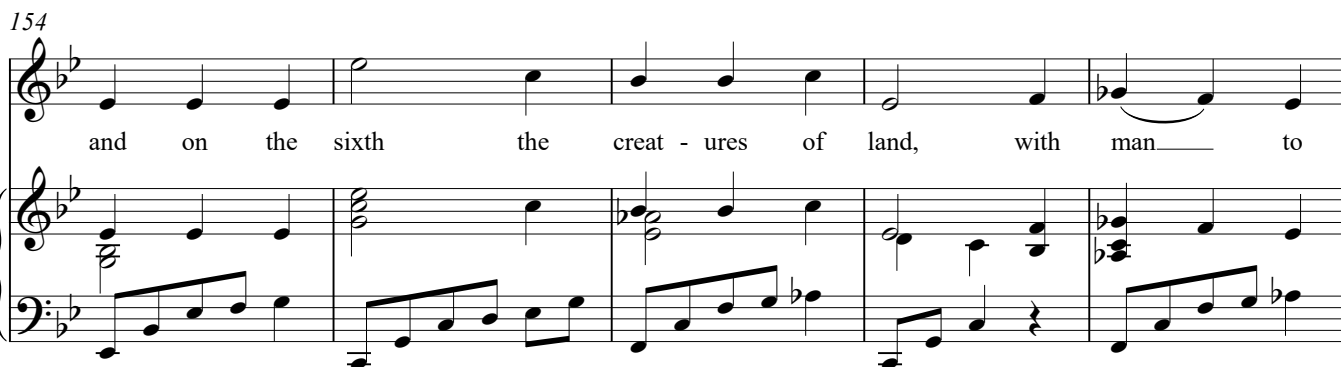fined.

cresc.

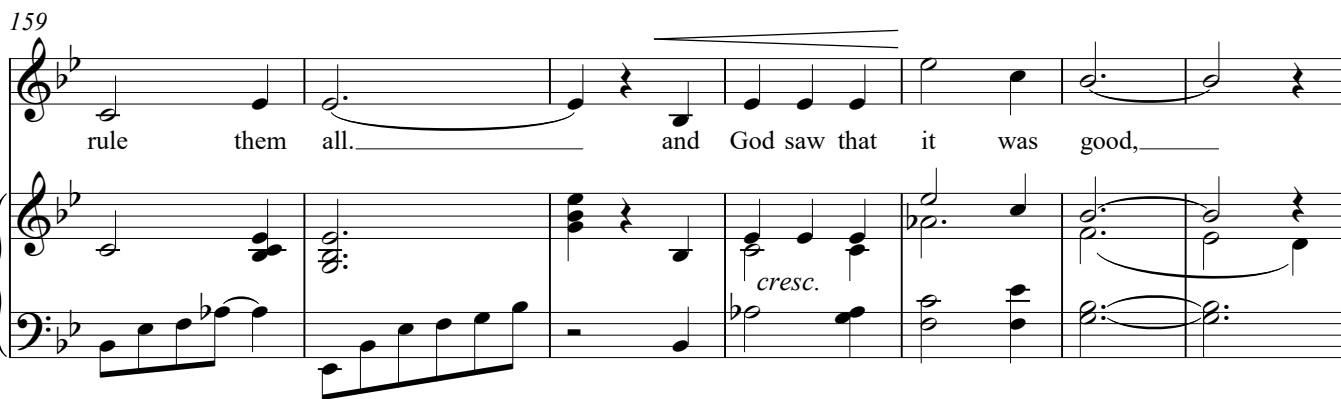God saw that it was good. On the fifth day God made the

seas, with fish both great and small,

and on the sixth the creat-ures of land, with man to

rule them all. and God saw that it was good,

God saw that it was good. Then on the se-venth day God

said 'Of all days here's the best,_____ this is the

one that I will choose to be__ a day of rest.' Keep it

bless - ed, keep it ho - ly, one day on this day my

son will rise a - gain; af - ter that you can call it Sun - day,

but let's call it the Sab - bath till then._____ So the Lord

made the heaven and earth in one a - maz - ing

week,_____ a tru - ly di - vine ex - am - ple

of cre - a - ti - vi - ty at its peak,

cre - a - ti - vi - ty

at_____ its peak.

3. A Warning and a Woman

Lord God took the man, and
put him in the Garden of Eden
to till it and care for it.
He told the man "You may eat from any tree of
the garden,

but not from
the tree of the
knowledge of
good and evil;
for on the day
that you eat
from it, you will
certainly die."

Lord said 'It's not good for man to be a - lone, so

he cre - a - ted wo - man out of a sing - le bone, and

there in E - den's gar - den they lived as man and wife, in

peace - ful co - ex - ist - ence with all o - ther forms of life.

4. Paradise

Lively and rhythmic ♩. = 140

In the be - ginn-ing
In the be -ginn-ing

peo - ple were con-ten - ted with their
skies were sun - ny and the days were

lot
long

In the be - ginn - ing
In the be -ginn - ing

no-bod - y
they did - n't

10
wan ted what some-bod - y else had got
e - ver get the weath-er fore-cast wrong
There were no
There were no

13
mo - biles, no com - put - ers and no cin - e - mas,__ there were no rest-aur- ants, no ca-fes and no
wars, no bores, no slam-ming doors, no pri son__ gates, they had no time for crime, dic - ta-tors or re-

16
cock tail__ bars, there were no po - li - ti - cians, ru - lers, kings or pres-i - dents,__ there were no
press ive__ states,__ there were no fami-ly fights, no sleep-less nights for man and__ wife,__ they didn't get

19
traf - fic fines and park-ing just for res - i - dents, and it was pa - ra - dise,__ yes it was
ill, they did - n't kill, they lived the real good__ life,__ and it was

pa - ra - dise,__ but we lost it as we know to our cost,__ it__ was

pa - ra - dise,__ yes it was pa - ra - dise,__ it was real - ly pa - ra -

dise! *f* pa - ra - dise,__ yes it was pa - ra - dise,__ but we

blew it John Mil - ton__ knew__ it, it was su - gar and spice and__

all things_ nice, it was real - ly pa - ra - dise.

5. Temptation and Fall

Moderately, with a gentle bounce ♩ = 104

Now the ser - pent was a creep - y

Lyrics (vocal line):

20 sneak - y snake   He

25 loved to   see what   mis-chief   he could   make

32 He crept   up   to   Eve   and said "Why   don't   you___   eat___   the

37 fruit   of   this   tree   it's   nice   and___   sweet?"   He   real - ly

42 was   a   creep - y   sneak - y   snake

Lyrics:

But Eve said "No I can't I don't know why, but if I do I know I'll sure-ly die." the ser-pent said "I

tell you that's not___ true___ you'll know what's good and what's e - vil___ too,

you'll be like God and he don't want you to."

So Eve was tempt-ed and she

ate the fruit she tempt - ed A - dam

Lyrics:

and he fol-lowed suit

the con - se-quence was just as bad as you'd sup - pose___ their eyes were op - ened

and they saw they had no___ clothes

so they hid.

Slower

The Lord was walk-ing in the gar-den and he called to A-dam but A-dam would-n't show him-self and nei-ther would his ma-dam the Lord said "Are you hi-ding from me, what you got to say kid?" And A-dam said "I hid be-cause I knew that I was na-ked." God said: "Who told you you were na-ked,

have you eat-en from the tree? How had you the au - da - ci - ty thus to dis - o -

bey me?"

Faster ♩= 166   BOYS

It was-n't me it was-n't me it was the wo- man!

GIRLS

It was-n't me it was-n't me it was the snake!   The

Tempo I ♩= 100

snake was right out of   luck   there was no - one to whom he could

146
pass the buck, the Lord said "A curse be on you for the e -vil you've made these

150
hu - mans_ do; u - pon your bel - ly you shall steal, and

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man shall strike your head and you shall strike his heel, and A - dam, your li - ving from the

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ground you shall earn, for dust you are and to dust you shall re - turn."

6. A Banishment and Two Sons

Wistfully ♪ = 138

So the Lord God drove the man out of the Garden of Eden to till the ground from which he had been taken.

Eve bore two sons, Cain and Abel; Abel was a shepherd and Cain a tiller of the soil.

They brought their gifts to the Lord. He received Abel's gift with favour, But Cain's gift he did not receive. Cain was very angry, and his face fell.

mp

f

cresc.

7. Adam to Noah

So Cain grew so jeal-ous he sur-passed all oth-er fell-as in the strength of his de-sire to see an-oth-er man ex-pire, and such was his pride that he com-mit-ted frat-ri-cide and was sent a-way by

202 God to the land of Nod. And A-dam aft-er A-bel's death had yet an-

208 oth-er son called Seth who as a pat-ri-arch did real-ly rath-er well; for his son

214 E-nosh hit the scene and had a boy whom he called Ke-nan, who in turn be-got Ma-la-ha-

220 lel, and then Ma-la-ha-lel had Ja-red who e-vent-u-all-y

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married and pro-duced a son called E-noch, so we're told;

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and E-noch's son Me-thu-se-lah lived long-er than was us-ual and had

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Slower, sustained ♩ = 100

La-mech though he was so old. And La-mech's son was a

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spe-cial one,__ a man of ma-ny parts, ship-build-er, sail-or,

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zoo - keep - er, mi - ni - ster, well-versed in all the arts_____ through

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cresc.sempre

be - ing good he sur - vived a flood,_ you'll have heard of him be - fore,

cresc.sempre

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_ he's A - dam's great, great, great, great, great, great great____ grand - son;

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*accel.*_____ *ff* **Faster** ♩ = 132

yes, yes, yes, it's Noah!

*accel.*_____

ff