

# Jesus seeing the multitudes

Matthew V, 1-12

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Soprano 1 *gs*

Soprano 2 *gs*

Alto 1 *Vers Solus.* Verse: solo  
Je - sus see - ing the mul - ti-

Alto 2

Tenor

Bass

Organ

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6 4 [#]3

A1

Org

-tudes, went up, went up in-to a moun-tain; and when he was set, his di-

7 6 7 6 6 5 4 3  
4 3

10

A1 -sci-ples came un - to him. And he taught them, say - - ing,

A2 [Verse] Bles-

T [Verse] Bles-

B [Verse] Bles-

Org 4 [#]3

14

A1 Bles - sed are the poor

A2 - sed are the poor in spi - rit:

T - sed are the poor in spi - rit:

B - sed are the poor in spi - rit:

Org 6 6

b5 b5

17

A1 in spi-rit: For theirs is the

A2 for theirs, for theirs is the king-dom of heaven.

T for theirs is the king-dom of heaven.

B for theirs is the king-dom of heaven.

Org

♭6 4 5 3 6 5

20

A1 king-dom of heaven. for they shall be

A2 Bles - sed are they that mourn,

T Bles - sed are they that mourn,

B Bles - sed are they that mourn,

Org

23

A1  
com - for - ted, for they shall be com - for - ted, shall be

A2  
bles - sed are they that mourn:

T  
bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be

B  
bles - sed are they that mourn:

Org  
[#]

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27

A1  
com - for - ted, for they shall be com - for - ted,

A2  
for they shall be com - for - ted, for they

T  
com - for - ted, shall be com - for - ted, for they shall be

B  
for they shall be com - for - ted, for

Org

\* The word "comforted" may be sung to the rhythm ♩ throughout this passage to the end of the chorus in m. 42 as notated in Och 14: although Lbl K.9.b.9(5) is inconsistent, they may well all have been dotted in performance.

30

A1  
for they shall be com-for-ted, for they shall be com - for -

A2  
— shall be com-for- ted, for they shall be com-for-ted, shall be com - for-

T  
com - for- ted, for they shall be com-for-ted, shall be com - for-

B  
they shall be com-for- ted, for they shall be com - for -

Org



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33

S1  
Chorus  
Bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be

S2  
Chorus  
Bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be

A1  
Chorus  
-ted. Bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be

A2  
Chorus  
-ted. Bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be

T  
Chorus  
-ted. Bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be

B  
Chorus  
-ted. Bles - sed are they that mourn:

Org

36

S1  
com-for- ted, bles - sed are they that mourn:

S2  
com-for- ted, shall be com-for- ted, for they shall be

A1/2  
com-for- ted, be com- for- ted, bles - sed are they that\_ mourn, bles -

T  
com-for- ted, for they shall be com-for- ted, bles - sed are they that

B  
for they shall be com-for- ted, shall be com-for- ted, shall be

Org

39

S1  
for they shall be com-for- ted, shall be com - for- ted.

S2  
com-for- ted, for they\_ shall be, shall be com - for - ted.

A1/2  
- sed are they that mourn: for they\_ shall be com - for - ted.

T  
mourn: for they shall be com-for- ted, shall\_ be com - for - ted.

B  
com-for- ted, for they shall be com - for - ted.

Org

42 Verse

A2 Bles - sed, bles - sed are the meek: for they shall in-

T Verse  
8 Bles - sed are the meek: for they shall in-

B Verse  
Bles - sed bles - sed are the meek: for they shall in-

Org

46 [Verse: solo]

A1 Bles-sed are they which do hun - ger and thirst af -

A2 - he - rit, shall in-he - rit the earth.

T 8 - he - rit, shall in - he - rit the earth.

B - he - rit, shall in - he - rit the earth.

Org [♩→♩.]  
3i  
6/2  
[#]

49

A1 - ter righ - teous - ness: for they shall be fil - led.

Org  
[#]

52

A1 Bles - sed are the mer - ci - ful:

A2 Bles - sed are the mer - ci - ful: for they shall ob - tain, shall ob - tain

T Bles - sed are the mer - ci - ful: for they shall ob - tain, shall ob - tain

B Bles - sed are the mer - ci - ful: for they shall ob - tain, shall ob - tain

Org



55

A1 Bles - sed are the pure in spi - rit: for they shall see God.

A2 mer - cy. Bles - sed are the

T mer - cy. Bles - sed are the

B mer - cy. Bles - sed are the

Org

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58

A1

A2

T

B

Org

Bles - sed, bles - sed are the peace-  
pure in spi - rit: for they shall see God.  
pure in spi - rit: for they shall see God.  
pure in spi - rit: for they shall see God.

61

A1

A2

T

B

Org

-ma - kers: for  
for they shall be call - ed the chil - dren of God.  
for they shall be call - ed, be call - ed the chil - dren of God.  
for they shall be call - ed, be call - ed the chil - dren of God.

64

A1 they shall be call - ed the chil - dren of God.

A2 Bles - sed are they which are

T Bles - sed are they which are per -

B Bles - sed are they which are per -

Org

67

A1 Bles - sed are

A2 per - se - cu - ted for righ - teous - ness' sake:

T - se - cu - ted for righ - teous - ness' sake:

B - se - cu - ted for righ - teous - ness' sake:

Org

70

A1 they which are per - se - cu - ted for righ - teous - ness' sake: for

Org

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73

A1 [Verse] theirs is the king-dom of heaven. Bles - sed\_ are\_ ye, when

A2 [Verse] Bles - sed\_ are\_ ye, when\_ men shall\_ re-vile you,

T [Verse] Bles - sed\_ are\_

B

Org

76

A1 men shall\_ re-vile you, and per - se-

A2 and per - se-

T ye, when\_ men shall\_ re - vile you, and per - se-

B [Verse] Bles - sed\_ are\_ ye, when\_ men shall\_ re - vile you,

Org

\* ♭ in Och 14 and other sources of earlier version; ♮ may be preferred.

79

A1  
- cute you,

A2  
- cute you, false - ly

T  
- cute you,

B  
and shall say, shall say all man-ner of e - vil a-against you,

Org  
[#6] [#]

82

A1  
false - ly for my name's sake.

A2  
<sup>(h)</sup>  
for my name's sake.

T  
false - ly for my

B  
false - ly for my name's sake,

Org

85

A1  
false - ly for my name's sake. Re-joyce, re -

A2  
false - ly for my name's sake. Re-joyce,

T  
name's \_\_\_\_\_ sake, my \_\_\_\_\_ name's sake. Re-joyce, and

B  
false - ly for my \_\_\_\_\_ name's sake. Re-joyce, and

Org  
[tr]



88

A1  
joyce and be ex-cee-ding glad, re-joyce, re-joyce, and

A2  
and be ex-cee-ding glad, and be ex-cee-ding glad,

T  
be ex-cee-ding glad, and be ex-cee-ding glad, re-joyce,

B  
be ex-cee-ding glad, ex-cee-ding glad, re-joyce, re-joyce, and be ex-cee-ding

Org

91



A1: be ex-cee-ding glad, re-joyce, and be ex - cee - ding glad;

A2: re-joyce, re-joyce, re - joyce, — and be ex-cee - ding

T: and be ex-cee-ding glad, and be ex-cee-ding glad, ex - cee-ding

B: glad, re-joyce, and be ex - cee - ding

Org: [Organ accompaniment]

94



A1: for great is your re-ward in heaven. Hal - le - lu -

A2: glad; Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

T: glad; Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le -

B: glad; Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

Org: [Organ accompaniment]

\* # in Och 14 and other sources of earlier version.

97

A1 -jah, hal - - le - lu - jah,

A2 -jah, for great is your re - ward in heaven. hal -

T jah hal - le - lu - - jah, hal -

B -jah, for great is your re - ward in heaven. hal -

Org



99

[earlier version]

A1 hal - le - lu - jah.

A2 - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

T - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

B - le - lu - jah.

Org

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102 Chorus

S1 Re - joice, and

S2 Re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, re -

A1/2 Re - joice, re - joice, and

T Re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, and

B Re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, ex - cee - ding

Org

104

S1 be ex-cee-ding glad, re-joyce, and be ex-cee-ding glad,

S2 -joyce, and be ex - cee-ding glad ex - cee-ding glad, re -

A1/2 be ex-cee-ding glad, re-joyce, re-joyce, and be ex-cee-ding glad,

T be ex-cee-ding glad, and be ex-cee-ding

B glad, re - joyce, re - joyce, and be ex - cee-ding glad,

Org



107

S1 re - joice,

S2 - joice,

A1/2 re - joice, re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, ex - cee - ding

T glad, re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, ex - cee - ding

B re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, ex - cee - ding

Org

109 Verse [Verse] (4)

S1 for great is your re-ward in heaven, for great is

S2 Chorus Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

A1/2 glad; Chorus Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

T glad; Chorus Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

B glad; Chorus Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

Org

[#]

112

S1 your re-ward in heaven,

[Chorus]  
S2 hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

[Chorus]  
A1/2 hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

[Chorus]  
T hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

B

Org

115

[Chorus]  
S1 for great is your re-ward in heaven. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - jah,

S2 -jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - jah,

A1/2 -jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

T great is your re-ward in heaven. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - jah,

[Chorus]  
B for great is your re-ward in heaven.

Org

117

S1  
-lu - - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

S2  
-lu - - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

A1/2  
hal - le - lu - - - - -

T  
-lu - - jah, hal - le - lu - - - - -

B  
hal - le - lu - jah, hal - - - le - lu -

Org

119

S1  
-jah, hal - le - lu - - - jah.

S2  
-jah, hal - le - lu - - - jah.

A1/2  
-jah, hal - le - lu - - - jah.

T  
-jah, hal - le - lu - - - jah.

B  
-jah, hal - le - lu - - - jah.

Org

EARLIER VERSIONS OF  
MM. 33-41, 74-86, AND 102-122

30

for they shall be com-for-ted, for they shall be com - for -  
 shall be com-for- ted, for they shall be com-for-ted, shall be com - for-  
 com - for- ted, for they shall be com - for-ted, shall be com - for-  
 they shall be com - for- ted, for they shall be com - for-  
 they shall be com - for- ted, for they shall be com - for- ted, shall be com - for-



**Earlier version of mm. 33-41**

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33

*Chorus*  
 Bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be  
*Chorus*  
 Bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be  
 -ted. *Chorus*  
 Bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be  
*Chorus*  
 Bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be  
 -ted. *Chorus*  
 Bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be  
 -ted. *Chorus*  
 Bles - sed are they that mourn:

36

S1  
com - for - ted, shall be\_ com - for - ted, bles - sed are

S2  
com - for - ted, for they shall be com - for - ted, be com - for - ted,

A1/2  
com - for - ted, be com - for - ted, bles - sed are they that mourn, bles -

T  
com - for - ted, for they shall be com - for - ted, bles - sed are they that

B  
for they shall be com - for - ted, shall be com - for - ted, shall be

Org

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39

S1  
they that mourn: for they shall be com - for - ted.

S2  
bles - sed are they that mourn: for they shall be com - for - ted.

A1/2  
- sed are they that mourn: for they shall be com - for - ted.

T  
mourn: for they shall be com - for - ted, shall\_ be\_ com - for - ted.

B  
com - for - ted, for they shall be com - for - ted.

Org

**Earlier version of mm. 74-86**

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73

A1  
theirs is the king - dom of heaven. when men \_\_\_

A2  
Bles - sed are \_\_\_ ye, when men \_\_\_ shall \_\_\_

B  
Bles - sed are \_\_\_ ye, when men

Org  
[o->d]  
[#]



76

A1  
shall re - vile \_\_\_ you and per - se - cute you; and shall say \_\_\_

A2  
re - vile \_\_\_ you, \_\_\_ and per - se - cute you; and shall

B  
shall re - vile \_\_\_ you, and per - se - cute you; and shall

Org

79

A1  
— all man - ner of e - vil a - gainst you false - -

A2  
say all man - ner of e - vil a - gainst you

B  
say all man - ner of e - vil a - gainst you false - - ly

Org



81

A1  
- - - - - ly, false - - - - -

A2  
false - - - - - ly,

B  
for my name's \_\_\_\_\_ sake, false - -

Org



83 [= m. 87 of main text]

A1 - ly\_ for\_ my name's\_ sake. Re- joice, re-

A2 - - - ly\_ for\_ my name's\_ sake. Re- joice,

T Re- joice, and

B - ly\_ for\_ my name's\_ sake. Re- joice, and

Org

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88

A1 joice and be ex-cee-ding glad, re- joice, re- joice, and

A2 and be ex-cee-ding glad, and be ex-cee-ding glad,

T be ex-cee-ding glad, and be ex-cee-ding glad, re- joice,

B be ex-cee-ding glad, ex-cee-ding glad, re- joice, re- joice, and be ex-cee-ding

Org

Earlier version of mm. 102-122

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Chorus

S1/2 Re - joice, and

A1/2 Re - joice, re - joice, and

T Re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, and

B Re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, ex - cee - ding

Org

104

S1/2 be ex - cee - ding glad, and be ex - cee - ding glad, re - joice, re - joice, and

A1/2 be ex - cee - ding glad, re - joice, re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, \_\_\_\_\_

T be ex - cee - ding glad, and be ex - cee - ding

B glad, re - joice, re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad,

Org

107

S1/2  
be ex - cee - ding glad;

A1/2  
— re - joice, re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, ex - cee - ding

T  
8  
glad, re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, ex - cee - ding

B  
re - joice, and be ex - cee - ding glad, ex - cee - ding

Org

109

S1  
For great is your re-ward in heaven, for great is

S2  
For great is your re - ward in heaven, for great is

A1/2  
glad; Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

T  
8  
glad; Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

B  
glad; Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

Org

112

S1  
your re-ward in heaven. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

S2  
your re-ward in heaven. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

A1/2  
hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

T  
hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

B

Org

115

S1/2  
-jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le -

A1/2  
-jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

T  
for great is your re - ward in heaven. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le -

B  
for great is your re - ward in heaven.

Org

117

S1/2  
-lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

A1  
- jah, hal - le - lu - - - jah. Hal - Verse

A2  
- jah, hal - le - lu - - - jah. Hal - Verse

T  
-lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

B  
Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - Verse

Org

120

A1  
- le - lu - jah, hal soft - le - lu - jah.

A2  
- le - lu - jah, hal soft - le - lu - jah.

T  
[Verse] Hal soft - le - lu - jah.

B  
- le - lu - jah.

Org