

Elijah Rock is an energetic “swing style” setting of the popular traditional spiritual that also incorporates references to *Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho* and *Rock-A My Soul in the Bosom of Abraham*. It employs animated choral call-and-response and occasional swing elements such as “scat syllables,” blues harmonies and vocal slides. HINT: for the final consonant in “doot,” implode the “t” (close to the “t” without articulating it).

Appropriate for performance by both school and church choirs, this arrangement is available both for S.A.B. voices and in a flexible edition for 2-part any combination of treble or mixed voices. Optional instrumental parts (No. 23701) and a full performance/accompaniment compact disc (No. 23700) are available separately.

For performance by church choirs, suggested corresponding scripture readings include Deuteronomy 32: 1-18, Psalms 31 & 94, Malachi 4: 5, Matthew 12: 24-29 & 17: 1-13, Mark 9: 2-13 and Ephesians 6: 10-18. Suitable for worship throughout the year, it may be especially appropriate for Lent, Reformation and Transfiguration.

Dave and Jean Perry are free-lance composers living in Sierra Vista, Arizona. Retired after many years as music educators and church musicians, they are in great demand as clinicians and have over 250 sacred and secular choral works in print. They have received the ASCAP special composer’s award annually since 1999.

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ELIJAH ROCK

for S.A.B. voices and keyboard,
with opt. instrumental ensemble*

TRADITIONAL SPIRITUALS
Arranged by DAVE and JEAN PERRY (ASCAP)

Swing! ($\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 120$) ($\overline{\text{D}\text{D}} = \text{D} \text{ D}$)

FINGER SNAPS

SOPRANO ALTO

BARITONE

KEYBOARD

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5

Doo vah doo vah doo vah doo vah doo vah doo vah. —

mf

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mf

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mf

* Also available for 2-part any combination voices, No. 23699. Parts for alto and baritone sax, 2 trumpets, trombone, guitar, bass, drums, percussion and director's score, No. 23701, and a full performance/accompaniment compact disc, No. 23700, are available separately.

** No breath

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Bahdop, bah dah dah. Dah.

9

E - li - jah rock.

10

E - li - jah rock is a com-in' up, Lord. -

shout, shout! -

13

E - li - jah rock is a -

E - li - jah rock, shout, shout! -

16

17 (tacet to m. 25)

com - in' up, Lord. —

Sa - tan's a li - ar and a

mf

18 SOP. *mf*

Just keep look-in' out, or he'll con - jure you. —

con-jurer, too. —

21 *mf* ALTO

If I could, I sure - ly would; —

Just stand on the rock that

mf

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24 (FINGER SNAPS)

25

S. *mp* cresc.*mf*A. Rock E - li - jah. *mp* cresc.Rock E - *mf*

Mo - ses stood.

mp cresc.

27

cresc.

f

li - jah. cresc.

Rock E - *f* - jah.*mf* cresc.*f*

30

Rock-in' and a - roll-in' with E - li - jah. Rock!

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mf

36

mf

Rock, rock, E - li - jah rock.

Come on and rock, rock, E - li - jah rock. Come on and

39

cresc.

Rock, rock, E - li - jah rock. E - li - jah rock, E - li - jah cresc.

rock, rock, E - li - jah rock. cresc.

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rock, E - li - jah rock, E - li - jah
rock!

45

(tacet to m. 73)

48

Doo vah doo vah doo vah doo doot doo,

50

cresc.

doo doot doo, — doo doot doo. — Doo vah doo vah doo vah doo vah
cresc.

53

f

doo doot doo. — And the rocks come a - tum - ba - lin'

f

55

mp

down

57

mp

Rock-a my soul...
E - li - jah rock,

mp

58

Rock-a my soul. —

shout, shout! — E - li - jah rock, shout, shout! —

61

Rock-a my soul. — O, rock-a my soul.. —

E - li - jah rock, shout, shout! — O, Lord, rock-a my soul.. —

64

SOP. *mf*

You

mf

When temp - ta - tion comes a - round; —

mf

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67

bet - ter find some high - er ground. *mf*

Don't let your-self — be

70 ALTO *mf* S. *mp*
Trust in the Lord to show the way. A. Rock E -

led a - stray; — *mp*

(FINGER SNAPS)

73 cresc. *mf* cresc.
li - jah. Rock E - li - - jah. *mf* cresc.

cresc. *mf* cresc.

76

f

Rock E - li - - jah.

f

79

mp

Rock-in'.

mf

Rock-in' and - a;

mf

Rock-in' and - a; roll-in' with E -

mp

Roll-in'.

mf

Roll-in' and - a;

mp

f

82

ff

li - jah. E - li - jah rock!

ff

f

p

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