

Come Follow Me is a general anthem that is especially appropriate for Lent and for services focusing on stewardship and evangelism. Suggested corresponding lectionary readings include Psalm 34, Matthew 4: 18-22, Mark 1: 16-20, and 2 Corinthians 5: 11-21. One basic homiletical theme is Ambassadors for Jesus.

The singers should speak the text in rehearsal, listening carefully for the natural word stresses and applying them in song within a fluid legato. To achieve better pitch and rhythmic accuracy, avoid singing too heavily or with a rapid vibrato. Prepare the singers for the measures with repeated pitches (m. 4-6, 24-25, etc.) by instructing them to think each successive repetition as being slightly “higher” than the previous. This thought process will help to avert poor intonation in such passages.

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COME FOLLOW ME

for S.A.B. voices, accompanied*

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Moderately flowing (♩ = ca. 72-76)

ACCOMP.

mf

4 SOPRANO *unis. mp* [5]

ALTO

BARITONE

The king-dom of heav-en is near

mp

7

As you have re-ceived, so, then must you give.

mp

Be not a - fraid _ with the

*Also available for S.A.T.B. voices, No. 4254, and two-part any combination voices, No. 4256.

10 *mp* *cresc.* *f unis.*

for Je-sus died ___ so we may live. ___ He said, "Come

cresc.

Lord at your side, for

cresc.

13

fol - low me. Come fol - low me.

f

"Come fol - low me. Come fol - low me.

f

15 *unis.*

Come by your-selves to a qui - et place. Come

(b)

17

fol - low me. _____ Come fol - low me." _____ That

Come fol - low me. _____ Come fol - low me."

19 *dim.* *mf*

some-day we may see His face.

dim. *mf*

22 24 *unis. mp*

Those who are wear - y, take *mp*

25

rest. _____ Look to Him for com-fort and He will soothe your soul. _

28

unis.

For He is gen - tle and hum - ble in heart, and

30

cresc.

f unis.

Je - sus died _____ to make us whole. _____ He said, "Come

cresc.

cresc.

32

fol - low me. _____ Come fol - low me.

f

“Come fol - low me. _____ Come fol - low me.

34

Come by your-selves to a qui - et place. Come *unis.*

36

fol - low me _____ Come fol - low me.” _____ That

Come fol - low me. _____ Come fol - low me.”

38 *dim.* *unis. mf* *mp* 40

some-day we may see His face. "Come fol-low me. _____ Come

dim. *mf* *mp*

"Come fol-low me. _____

dim. *mf* *mp*

41 *rit. e dim.* *Slowly* *p*

fol - low me." _____ That some-day we may see His

dim. *p*

_____ Come fol - low me."

rit. e dim. *Slowly*

44 **Tempo** *rit.*

face.

Tempo *mp* *rit.*

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