

The Legacy of Babel (Genesis 11)

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The musical score consists of five staves of music. The top two staves are for the Voice (soprano) and Bass (bass), both in G major and 3/4 time. The bottom three staves are for the piano, showing chords and bass lines. The lyrics are integrated into the vocal parts.

1. Top Staves (Voice and Bass):

- Measure 1:** G major. The voice sings "When the whole earth was as one," and the bass sings "lang - uage," ending with a fermata over the bass staff.
- Measure 8:** The voice continues "spread-ing out west from the east" and the bass continues "to the land of Shi-nar," ending with a fermata over the bass staff.

2. Middle Staves (Piano):

- Measure 15:** The piano accompaniment begins with a D major chord. The lyrics "they found there a plain 'neath the sun where they put down their" start at measure 15.
- Measure 21:** The piano accompaniment changes to an A major chord. The lyrics "an - chor say-ing Come let our ci - ty be here with its" start at measure 21.
- Measure 28:** The piano accompaniment changes to a G major chord. The lyrics "crown 'neath the stars'..

Chords indicated above the staves:

- G (Measure 1)
- C (Measure 1)
- A m (Measure 8)
- D sus (Measure 8)
- D (Measure 15)
- D 7 (Measure 15)
- G (Measure 15)
- C (Measure 21)
- A m (Measure 21)
- G (Measure 21)
- D (Measure 21)
- G (Measure 28)
- D 7 (Measure 28)
- G (Measure 28)

D 7sus G B 7 E m E m/D C

34 But the Lord came down, ar - rayed in

A 7 D G B 7 E m

40 mighty pow - er and per - ceiv - ing pride

A m7 G/D D 7 G

46 damned and con - demned their lof - ty tower.

This musical score consists of three staves of music for three voices: Soprano (treble clef), Alto (bass clef), and Bass (bass clef). The music is in common time and features various chords: D 7sus, G, B 7, E m, E m/D, C, A 7, D, G, B 7, E m, A m7, G/D, D 7, and G. The lyrics are integrated into the music, describing the Lord's descent, His mighty power, and the destruction of the tower of Babel. The score is numbered 2 at the top left and includes measure numbers 34, 40, and 46.