

# If I Had Been in Bethlehem

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$\text{♩} = 90$

2 4

*Play both hands one octave higher for vs. 1.*

1. If I had been in Beth - le - hem the  
(If) I had lived in east - ern lands and  
(I) did not live in Beth - le - hem that

6 8

night of Je - sus' birth, And heard a - far seen the an - gels' joy - ful  
watched with ea - ger of eyes, old, If Or I had seen with his star wise ap - pear and  
Christ - mas night of old, Or tra - vel with the the wise men there to

10 12

song of peace on earth, If I had seen the shep - herds come to  
blaze a - mong the skies, If I had seen the wise men go to  
bring him gifts of gold, But I can give a great - er gift than

14 16

seek the ba - by fair, I think I would have fol - lowed them, and  
 seek the new - born King, I think I would have fol - lowed them, and  
 a - ny earth - ly gem, For all my heart and all my love will

1, 2 18

knelt be - side gifts them to there.  
 fin - est gifts to bring. 2. If  
 3. I

*loco*

20 22

3.  
 be my gift to him. *8va*  
*rit.*

*2ed.* \*