How Far Is It to Bethlehem? - 2-part Choir
A Nativity Song
(How Far Is It to Bethlehem?)
for 2-Part Choir and Piano

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Part 1
How far is it to Bethlehem?

Part 2
Not very far.

Lit by a star?

Can we see the little Child,

Is he within?

If we lift the wooden latch

May we go in?

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May we stroke the creatures there, Ox, ass, or sheep? May we peep like them and see

Jesus asleep? If we touch His tiny hand Will he awake?

Will He know we've come so far Just for His sake?

Great kings have precious gifts And we have naught, Little smiles and little tears
Are all we brought. For all weary children Mary must weep.

Here, on his bed of straw, Sleep, children sleep.

God in His Mothers arms, Babes in the byre,

Sleep, as they sleep who find Their hearts desire.