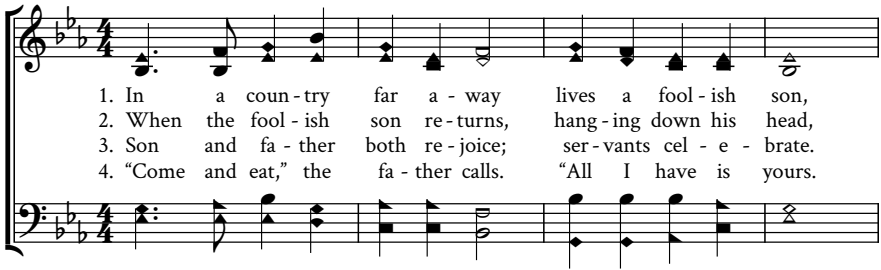
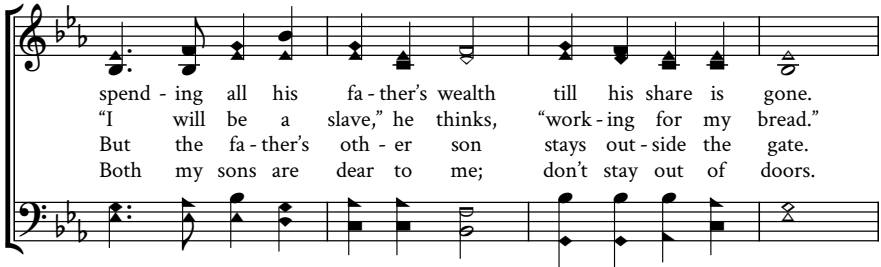


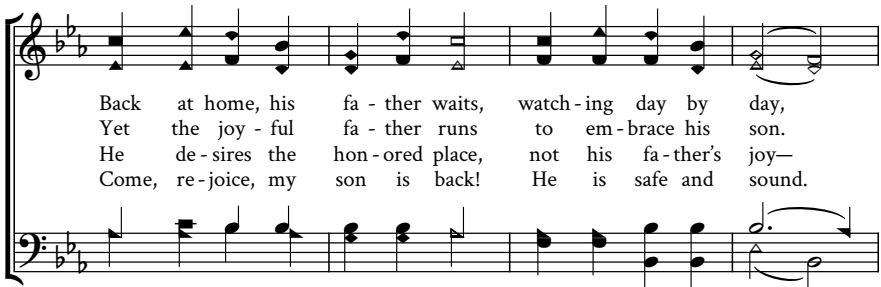
In a Country Far Away



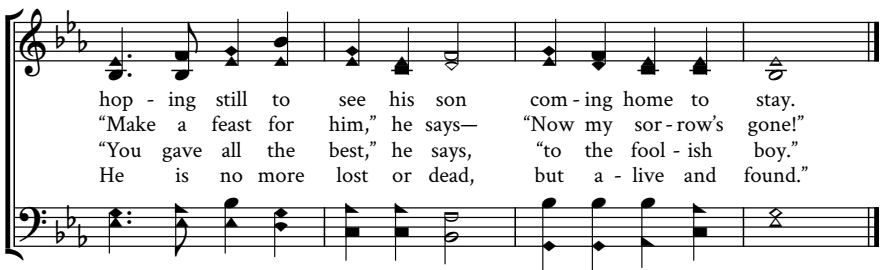
1. In a coun - try far a - way lives a fool - ish son,
 2. When the fool - ish son re - turns, hang - ing down his head,
 3. Son and fa - ther both re - joice; ser - vants cel - e - brate.
 4. "Come and eat," the fa - ther calls. "All I have is yours.



spend - ing all his fa - ther's wealth till his share is gone.
 "I will be a slave," he thinks, "work - ing for my bread."
 But the fa - ther's oth - er son stays out - side the gate.
 Both my sons are dear to me; don't stay out of doors.



Back at home, his fa - ther waits, watch - ing day by day,
 Yet the joy - ful fa - ther runs to em - brace his son.
 He de - sires the hon - ored place, not his fa - ther's joy—
 Come, re - joice, my son is back! He is safe and sound.



hop - ing still to see his son com - ing home to stay.
 "Make a feast for him," he says— "Now my sor - row's gone!"
 "You gave all the best," he says, "to the fool - ish boy."
 He is no more lost or dead, but a - live and found."

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