

7. I sing the birth

Ben Jonson
(1573–1637)

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(1848–1918)

Con spirito ♩ = 84

**SOPRANO
ALTO**

**TENOR
BASS**

f

1. I sing _____ the birth _____ was _____

2

born _____ to-night, The au - thor both _____ of _____

4

life _____ and light; The an - gels so _____ did _____

6

sound it. And like the ra - vish'd shep-herds said, Who

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f cresc. **poco rit.** *p* **a tempo** *cresc.*

saw the light, and were a - fraid, Yet searched, yet searched, yet

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f cresc. *mf* *cresc.*

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[*f*]

searched, and true they found it, and true they found

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f

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f

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