

Dem Bones

adapted from Ezekiel 37

traditional
arr. Larry Nickel

♩ = 120 Swing - begin with two bars of finger snaps on 2 and 4

A *unison* *f*

Oh, the hand of the Lord was up - on me and He brought me to the mid-way. Well, I

unison *f*

Well, I

5 *div.* *p*

could-n't be - lieve what I saw there: the to - tal of an ar - my. Dem

div. *p*

could-n't be - lieve what I saw there: the de - vas - ta - tion of an ar - my. Dem

10 **B** *emphasize the back beat*

bones, dem bones, dem bones, Dem bones, dem bones, dem dry bones, Dem

bones, dem bones, dem dry bones, Dem bones, dem bones, dem dry bones, Dem

14 *f unison*

bones, dem dry bones, Now hear the word of the Lord. Then He

dem bones, dem dry bones, Now hear the word of the Lord.

18 **C** (close to the "n" immediately)

told me to talk to the grave-yard: "If you proph-e - sy, a mir - a - cle will hz So I

son *f*

So I

22 *div.* *p*

spoke ev-ry word the Lord com-mand-ed, And sud-den-ly ones a - rat-tlin' E -

spoke ev-ry word the Lord com-mand-ed, And heard the bones a - rat-tlin' E -

div. *p*

(close to the "n" immediately)

27 **D**

zek - iel con-nect-ed them .es. E - zek - iel con-nect-ed them dry, dry bones. E -

zek - iel con-nect-ed dry bones. E - zek - iel con-nect-ed them dry, dry bones. E -

31 *mf* *ppp*

n-nect-ed them dry bones. Now hear the word of the Lord. The

zek - iel con-nect-ed them dry bones. Now hear the word of the Lord. The

mf *ppp*

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35 **E** *finger snaps out*

foot bone con-nect-ed to the an - kle bone, The an - kle bone con-nect-ed to the shin bone, The

foot bone con-nect-ed to the an - kle bone, The an - kle bone con-nect-ed to the shin bone, The

pp *p*

shin bone con-nect-ed to the knee bone, The knee bone con-nect-ed to the thigh bone, The

shin bone con-nect-ed to the knee bone, The knee bone con-nect-ed to the thigh bone, The

mp *mf*

thigh bone con-nect-ed to the hip bone, The hip bone con-nect-ed to the back bone, The

thigh bone con-nect-ed to the hip bone, The hip bone con-nect-ed to the back bone, The

f

back bone con-nect-ed to the shoul-der bone, The shoul-der bone con-nect-ed to the neck bone, The

back bone con-nect-ed to the shoul-der bone, The shoul-der bone con-nect-ed to the neck bone, The

ratchet

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51 *triangle* *ff* *mf*

neck bone con-nect-ed to the head bone. Now hear the word of the Lord Dem a

neck bone con-nect-ed to the head bone. Now hear the word of rd. Dem a

55 **F** *Swing! (laid way back)* *f* *mf*

bones, a dem a bones a gon-na walk a-round. Dem a bones. es a gon-na walk a-round. Dem a

bones, a dem a bones a gon-na walk a-round. Dem a , a dem a bones a gon-na walk a-round. Dem a

59 *ff* *f*

bones, a dem a bones a gon-na a-round. Now hear the word of the Lord. The

bones, a dem a bones walk a-round. Now hear the word of the Lord. The

63 *triangle* *rachet*

h^e .-nect-ed to the neck bone, The neck bone con-nect-ed to the shoul-der bone The

ad bone con-nect-ed to the neck bone, The neck bone con-nect-ed to the shoul-der bone The

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67 **H**

shoul-der bone con-nect-ed to the back bone, The back bone con-nect-ed to the hip bone, The

shoul-der bone con-nect-ed to the back bone, The back bone con-nect-ed hip bone, The

mf

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hip bone con-nect-ed to the thigh bone, The thigh bone con-nect-ed to the knee bone, The

hip bone con-nect-ed to the thigh bone, The thigh bone con-nect-ed to the knee bone, The

mp *p*

75

knee bone con-nect-ed to the shin bone, The shin bone con-nect-ed to the ankle bone, The

knee bone con-nect-ed to the shin bone, The shin bone con-nect-ed to the ankle bone, The

p *pp* *ppp*

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ankle bone con-nect-ed to the foot bone, Now hear the word of the Lord. Dem

ankle bone con-nect-ed to the foot bone, Now hear the word of the Lord. Dem

mf *mp*

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83 **I**

bones, dem bones, dem dry bones, Dem bones, dem bones, dem dr bones, Dem

bones, dem bones, dem dry bones, Dem bones, dem bones, dem bones, Dem

87

bones, dem bones, dem dry bones, Now hear of the Lord.

bones, dem bones, dem dry bones, Now the word of the Lord.

J Full warm choral sound - meno mosso - rubato

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Breathe on me, ath of God. Fill me with

Breathe on r breath of God. Fill me with

rit.

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life a (new) Dem bones, dem bones, dem dry bones.

a Dem bones, dem bones, dem dry bones.

note: Dr. Nickel found that the key of Ab tuned better with his choirs. Feel free to experiment - find the perfect key for your choir.