

67. Lord of the Dance

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Based on a Shaker tune
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G Am D C G G Em

1 I danced in the morn-ing when the
2 I danced for the scribe and the
3 I danced on the Sab-bath and I
4 I danced on a Fri-day and the
5 They cut me down and I

Bm Em Am

world was be-gun, And I danced in the moon and the
Phar-i-see; But they would not dance and they
cured the lame; The ho-ly peo-ple
sky turned black _____ It's hard to dance with the
leapt up high _____ I am the life that-'ll

D G Em

stars and the sun, And I came down from heav-en and I
would-n't fol-low Me, I danced for the fish-er-men, for
said it was a shame. They whipped and they stripped and they
dev-il on your back. They bur-ied my bod-y and they
nev-er, nev-er die; I'll live in you if you'll

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Bm Em Am D7 C G

danced on earth, At Beth - le - hem I had My birth.
 James and John—They came with Me And the dance went on.
 hung Me high, And they left Me there On a cross to die.
 thought I'd gone, But I am the dance And I still go on.
 live in me — I am the Lord Of the dance, said He.

Refrain

G Bm Em G Bm

Dance, then, where - ev - er you may be, I am the Lord of the

Am D G Em G Dm G

dance, said He, And I'll lead you all where - ev - er you may be, And I'll

Am D C G C G_{last time}

1-2-3-4

lead you all in the dance, said He. dance, said He.