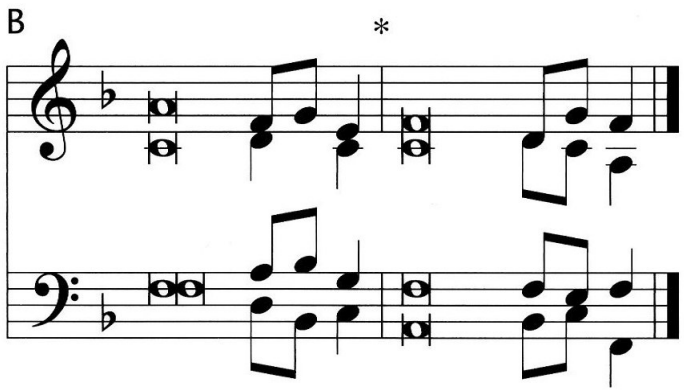
Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24

11"For thus says the Lord God:
Behold, I, I myself will search for my
sheep and will seek them out. 12As a
shepherd seeks out his flock when he is
among his sheep that have been scattered,
so will I seek out my sheep, and I will
rescue them from all places where they
have been scattered on a day of clouds and
thick darkness. 13And I will bring them out
from the peoples and gather them from the
countries, and will bring them into their
own land. And I will feed them on the
mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in
all the inhabited places of the country. 14I
will feed them with good pasture, and on
the mountain heights of Israel shall be their
grazing land. There they shall lie down in
good grazing land, and on rich pasture they
shall feed on the mountains of Israel. 15I
myself will be the shepherd of my sheep,
and I myself will make them lie down,
declares the Lord God. 16I will seek the
lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I
will bind up the injured, and I will
strengthen the weak, and the fat and the
strong I will destroy. I will feed them in
justice. . . .

20"Therefore, thus says the Lord God
to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge
between the fat sheep and the lean sheep.
21Because you push with side and shoulder,
and thrust at all the weak with your horns,
till you have scattered them abroad, 22I will
rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a
prey. And I will judge between sheep and
sheep. 23And I will set up over them one
shepherd, my servant David, and he shall
feed them: he shall feed them and be their
shepherd. 24And I, the Lord, will be their
God, and my servant David shall be prince
among them. I am the Lord; I have
spoken."



Psalm 95:1–7a

1Oh come, let us sing | to the Lord;*
let us make a joyful noise
to the rock of our sal- | vation!
2Let us come into his presence
with thanks- | giving;*
let us make a joyful noise to him
with | songs of praise!
3For the Lord is a | great God,*
and a great King a- | bove all gods.
4In his hand are the depths | of the earth;*
the heights of the mountains
are his | also.
5The sea is his, for he | made it,*
and his hands formed the | dry land.
6Oh come, let us worship and | bow down;*
let us kneel before the Lord,
our | Maker!
7For he | is our God,*
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep | of his hand.

1 Corinthians 15:20–28

20 But in fact Christ has been raised
from the dead, the firstfruits of those who
have fallen asleep. 21 For as by a man came
death, by a man has come also the
resurrection of the dead. 22 For as in Adam
all die, so also in Christ shall all be made
alive. 23 But each in his own order: Christ
the firstfruits, then at his coming those who
belong to Christ. 24 Then comes the end,
when he delivers the kingdom to God the
Father after destroying every rule and
every authority and power. 25 For he must
reign until he has put all his enemies under
his feet. 26 The last enemy to be destroyed is
death. 27 For "God has put all things in
subjection under his feet." But when it
says, "all things are put in subjection," it is
plain that he is excepted who put all things
in subjection under him. 28 When all things
are subjected to him, then the Son himself
will also be subjected to him who put all
things in subjection under him, that God
may be all in all.

Matthew 25:31–46

31 [Jesus said:] "When the Son of Man
comes in his glory, and all the angels with
him, then he will sit on his glorious throne.
32 Before him will be gathered all the
nations, and he will separate people one
from another as a shepherd separates the
sheep from the goats. 33 And he will place
the sheep on his right, but the goats on the
left. 34 Then the King will say to those on
his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by
my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared
for you from the foundation of the world.
35 For I was hungry and you gave me food, I
was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a
stranger and you welcomed me, 36 I was
naked and you clothed me, I was sick and
you visited me, I was in prison and you
came to me.' 37 Then the righteous will
answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we
see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and
give you drink? 38 And when did we see
you a stranger and welcome you, or naked
and clothe you? 39 And when did we see
you sick or in prison and visit you?' 40 And
the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to
you, as you did it to one of the least of
these my brothers, you did it to me.'

41 "Then he will say to those on his
left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the
eternal fire prepared for the devil and his
angels. 42 For I was hungry and you gave
me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me
no drink, 43 I was a stranger and you did not
welcome me, naked and you did not clothe
me, sick and in prison and you did not visit
me.' 44 Then they also will answer, saying,
'Lord, when did we see you hungry or
thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in
prison, and did not minister to you?' 45 Then
he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say
to you, as you did not do it to one of the
least of these, you did not do it to me.'
46 And these will go away into eternal
punishment, but the righteous into eternal
life."