

How have I stray'd

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The musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is for the Soprano, starting with a 'g' clef, a key signature of one flat, and common time. The lyrics begin with "How have I stray'd! My God, where". The bottom staff is for the Continuo, indicated by a bass clef and a bass staff. The key signature changes to one flat, then to common time, and finally to two flats. The lyrics continue with "have I been, since first I wan - der'd in the", followed by "Maze of Sin! Lord, I have been I know not where, so". Bass figures are provided below the continuo staff.

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in - tri - cate Youth's Fol - - - lies are; and Age hath its

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Lab - 'rithms too, yet nei-ther, nei-ther hath a wise re - turn - ing

13

Clue! Thy Look, thy Call, to me, shall my far bet-ter A-ri-ad - ne

16

be. O most sweet dear Je - su! O

3 b3 7 6

19

most sweet, O most sweet, most sweet,

6
4
2

22

— dear Je - su! Hark, hark, I hear my Shepherd call a -

25

- way, and in a dole-ful ac-cent say, Why, why does my Lamb thus

28

stray? O! O bles - sed Voice, that

31

prompts me to new choice! And fain, dear Shepherd, fain would I

34

come, but I can find no Track to lead me back, and if I still go on,

Musical score for piano and voice, page 14, system 2. The vocal line continues with lyrics "I am un-done; and if I still go on, I am un-done." The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with sustained notes and rhythmic patterns. The key signature changes from B-flat major to A major (indicated by a 14 over a 2) at the beginning of the system.

Chorus

44

Lord, must bring me home, or show the way, 'tis
thou, O Lord, must bring me home, 'tis

47

thou, O Lord, must bring me home, or show the.

thou, O Lord, must bring me home, or show the.

thou, O Lord, must bring me home, or show the.

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way; for poor _____ Souls have thou - - -
way; for poor _____

55

- - - sand ways to stray, for poor _____
Souls, for poor _____ Souls have thou - - -

59

Souls have thou - sand ways to stray, yet to re -
sand ways to stray, yet to re -

62

- turn, yet to re - turn, but on - - ly one.
- turn, yet to re - turn, but on - - ly one.