

Woe Is Us

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Fast and Noisy

Titanium 01 *f*

The piano introduction consists of three measures. The right hand features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes and chords, while the left hand plays a steady eighth-note bass line. The music is in a minor key with a 4/4 time signature.

Sung by the Rebelious Party

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Woe is us, Woe are we, We're

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The first system of the vocal melody begins at measure 4. The lyrics "Woe is us, Woe are we, We're" are written below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern as the introduction.

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liv - in' in the des - sert. We're liv - in' in the heat. Woe is us,

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The second system of the vocal melody begins at measure 7. The lyrics "liv - in' in the des - sert. We're liv - in' in the heat. Woe is us," are written below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern.

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we are we, been trav elin' in the wild - er - ness. Oh, my ach - in' feet.

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Ne - phi makes the rules here. Ne - phi writes the plan. He's our young - er bro - ther, but he's

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tak - en o - ver the clan. There's ne - ver been a Pro - mised Land.

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It's all make be-lieve. Ma - nip - u - la - tion and de - ceit to get us out here on our feet, to

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bind us down, to make us keep their ev ery com mand that they speak. Oh!

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Woe is us. woe are we. Oh, woe is us.

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Woe are we. Woe is us. Woe are we. There's

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no - thin' to do but work here. There's no - thin' good to eat. No

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shade for our pro-tec-tion but sand-y hills and jag-ged rocks. The scor-pion and the rat-tle snakes af -

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flict - ed us in flocks. They say Jer - u - sa - lem's wick - ed. They say they lived in sin. They

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say they've been des troyed there by the Bab y lon i - ans. Well, if that say - ings true,

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if that's right, I can true - ly say now that I'd rath-er-stayed at Jer-u-sal - em,

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Men hold through

Women

rath-er died there like a man than live here un - der your un - wav - er - ing hand Woe is us.

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Woe are we. Woe is us. Woe are we.

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Woe is us. Woe are we. Woe is us.

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Woe are we. Woe is us. Woe are we. We're

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liv-in' in the des-ert with a broth-er whose a cheat. He wants to be our rul-er there, in the

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Pro - mised Land a king. He wants to keep us in his grip, he

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cracks a-round that spirit - ual whip. Oh hoe now, my bro - thers. Hoe now, my friends. We'll

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take a hold of Ne - phi. We're gon - na do him in. To the o - cean my bro - thers. We'll

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broth - er that we hate

bring fath - er too. For fath - er up - held Ne - phi, the brother that we

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brother that we hate

broth - er that we hate

hate, brother that we hate, brother that we hate. Woe is us.

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Solo

Woe are we. Oh, Woe is us. Woe are we. Oh, woe

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Everyone

are we!

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