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Were You There

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 4 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine? (Were you
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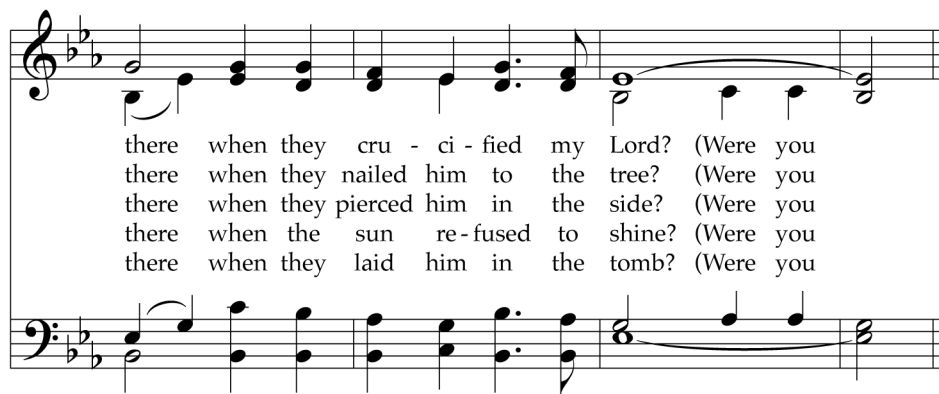
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O! Some-times it caus - es me to

trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble. Were you

Few hymns from any culture have captured the pathos of Jesus' crucifixion as movingly as this African American spiritual. Its emotional climax (and highest pitch) comes in the great "O!" at the center of each stanza, a moment that moves beyond anything words can convey.

JESUS CHRIST: PASSION AND DEATH



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Opt. 6 Were you there when he rose up from the dead?