

# VIA DOLOROSA

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**Somberly**

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It begins with a piano introduction marked *mf* (mezzo-forte). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The introduction features chords Gm, Bbmaj7/F, and Ebmaj7, with guitar diagrams showing 3-fingerings. The first system of the introduction ends with a first ending bracket. The second system begins with a second ending bracket. The vocal melody enters in the second system with the lyrics: "Down the Vi - bleed - a Do - lo - ro - sa in Je -". The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines. The third system continues the vocal melody with lyrics: "ru - sa - lem that day, and He the sol - diers tried to clear -". The piano accompaniment includes chords Ebmaj7 and Gm. The fourth system concludes the piece with lyrics: "the nar - row street, but the crowd - up - on His head; and He bore -". The piano accompaniment features chords Bbmaj7/F and Ebmaj7. The score includes guitar diagrams for the chords Gm, Bbmaj7/F, and Ebmaj7, indicating 3-fingerings.

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Cm Gm Am7b5

pressed in to see the man con - demned to die  
with ev - 'ry step the the scorn of those who cried

D7sus D7 Gm 1 Bbmaj7/F Ebmaj7

on Cal - va - ry.  
out for His death.

2 G Cm D7

He was Down the Vi - a Do - lo - ro - sa, called "The

Gm Bb/F Eb D7

Way of Suf - fer - ing," like a lamb came the Mes - si - ah, Christ the

Gm G Cm D7

King. But He chose to walk that road out of His

Gm Bbmaj7/F Ebmaj7

love for you and me; down the Vi -

Gm Bbmaj7/F Ebmaj7 D7sus D7 To Coda

- a Do - lo - ro - sa, all the way to Cal - va -

Gm Bbmaj7/F Ebmaj7

ry. The blood -

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Sheet music for a song, page 4. The music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "that would cleanse the hearts of all men made its way through the heart of Jerusalem. Down the ry." The music ends with a Coda section.

**Chords and Fingering:**

- D:** Fingering: 3fr
- E $\flat$ maj7:** Fingering: 3fr
- F:** Fingering: 3fr
- D7/F $\sharp$ :** Fingering: 3fr
- Gm:** Fingering: 3fr
- G:** Fingering: 3fr
- CODA:** Fingering: 3fr
- B $\flat$ maj7/F:** Fingering: 3fr
- E $\flat$ maj7:** Fingering: 3fr
- Am7 $\flat$ 5/D:** Fingering: 4fr
- D7:** Fingering: 3fr
- Gm:** Fingering: 3fr

**Lyrics:**

that would cleanse the hearts of all men  
made its way through the heart of Je -  
ru - sa - lem. Down the  
ry.