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Simcha Song

Midrash on verses from Psalm 81
(Round for 3 voices)

including an essay-commentary
on the text and music

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Music & Lyrics: Alexander Massey

Round - 3 voices

Midrash on verses from Ps 81

For Wendy and Brian on their 50th wedding anniversary

Performance guideline: If you perform this as a solo (which is fun to do) sing it once slowly, with pauses, so listeners can hear what is going, and then sing it as fast as you like.

Exuberantly! ♩ = 144 A

Now as we rest from toil and trou-ble all our hearts be-gin to bub-ble; from our

mer - ry rab - ble tum - bles hap - py bab - ble. So with

all our hearts a... flut - ter let's put on our par - ty schmut-ter, chit - ter

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7 B7 Em Am

chat-ter, ut - ter, nat - ter, yat - ter, but.... through the noise and roars we should

10 Am D Em

stop and pause, and con - si - der what's the Cause that draws ap - plause, and just what

13 Am D G C

makes the dark - ness scat - ter, and puts food u - pon our plat - ter and makes

15 Am/F# B7 Em B B7 Em B7 Em

ev'-ry per-son mat-ter and com - plete. At this mo - ment

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19 Am D G Am Em

of great glad - ness, bless all who feel

23 B7 Em Am Em Am Em

sad - ness. Tears and laugh - ter

27 D Em Am D G C

both play their part Love brings heal - ing;

31 Am/F# B7 Em B7 Em B7 Em B7 Em

o - pen your heart. Let us join as One in

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35 Am D G Am

hope and in - spi - ra - tion, free our hearts and

38 Em B7 Em Am Em Am

minds and souls in ce - le-bra - tion, o - pen wide our hearts, our

42 Em D Em

hearts and minds for love so _____ sweet; and let's

45 Am D G C Am/F# B7 Em B7 Em

not for get, no, not for-get our bo - dies: let's eat!

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3 part round - 48 bar melody

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B7 Em B7 Em

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3 Am D7 G G Am

mer-ry rab-ble tum-bles hap-py bab - ble. So with all our hearts a... flut-ter let's put

6 Em B7 Em

on our par-ty schmut-ter, chit-ter chat-ter, ut-ter, nat-ter, yat-ter, but.... through the

9 Am Em D

noise and roars we should stop and pause, and con - si-der what's the Cause that draws ap-

12 Em Am D

plause, — and just what makes the dark - ness scat - ter, and puts

14 G C F#m7(b5) B7 Em B7 Em

food u - pon our plat-ter and makes ev' - ry per-son mat-ter and com - plete.

II

17 B7 Em B7 Em Am D7 G G Am Em

At this mo - ment of great — glad - ness, bless — all who feel

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