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WORDS & MUSIC

*Traditional*

ARRANGEMENT

*Fred King*

## HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD IN HIS HANDS

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STOCK NO. 8632

*freely*

Tenor Lead

Bari Bass

He's got the whole world— in His— hands, He's got the whole wide world—

*in tempo*

in His— hands, He's got the whole world— in His— hands,— whole world in His

hands.

Bm ba bm bm, He's got the wind and the rain in His hands,— wind and the rain

*He's Got The Whole World In His Hands*

12 13 14 15 16

in His hands, He's got the wind and the rain in His hands,— whole world in His hands.——

17 18 19 20

It-ty bit-ty ba-by in His hands,— it-ty bit-ty ba-by in His hands,—

21 22 23 24

it-ty bit-ty ba-by in His hands,— whole world in His hands.——

He's got the

25 26 27 28

wind and the rain in His hands,— wind and the rain in His hands, He's got the

it - ty bit - ty ba - by in His hands, — whole world in His hands. —

29 30 31 32

wind and the rain in His hands, — whole world in His hands. —

33 34 35 36

In His hands, — in His hands,

37 38 39 40

in His hands, — in His hands. —

He's got the

It - ty bit - ty ba - by in His hands, — it - ty bit - ty ba - by

41 42 43

In His hands, — in His

wind and the rain in His hands, — wind and the rain

# He's Got The Whole World In His Hands

in His hands,— it - ty bit - ty ba - by in His hands,—

hands, in His hands,—

in His hands, He's got the wind and the rain in His hands,—

whole world in His hands.— It - ty bit - ty ba - by

in His hands.— He's got the whole world— In His

whole world in His hands.— He's got the wind and the rain

in His hands,— it - ty bit - ty ba - by in His hands,—

in His— hands,— He's got the whole wide world— in His— hands, He's got the

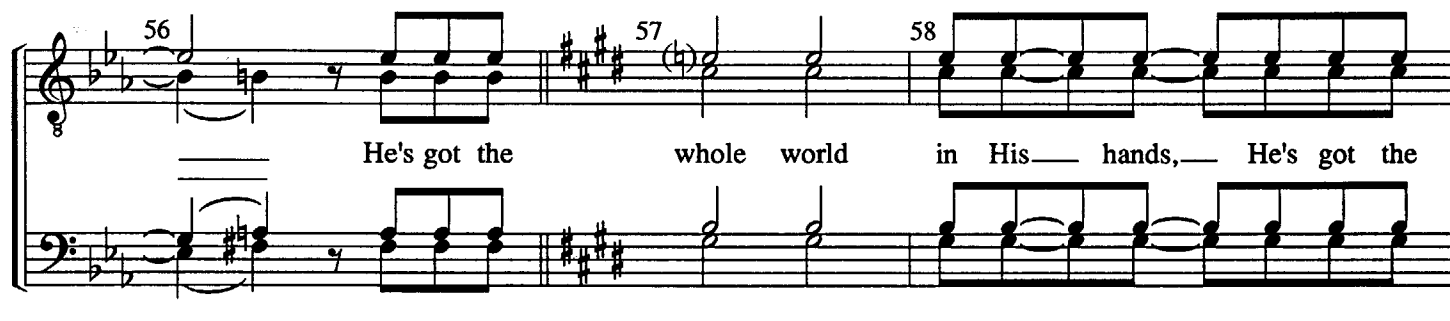
in His hands,— wind and the rain in His hands, He's got the

it - ty bit - ty ba - by in His hands,— whole world in His hands.—

whole in world— in His— hands,— whole world in His hands.—

wind and the rain in His hands,— whole world in His hands.—

The musical score is written for a piano and voice. It consists of four systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with the piano accompaniment in the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words spanning across measures. The score includes measure numbers 44 through 55. The lyrics are: 'in His hands,— it - ty bit - ty ba - by in His hands,— hands, in His hands,— in His hands, He's got the wind and the rain in His hands,— whole world in His hands.— It - ty bit - ty ba - by in His hands.— He's got the whole world— In His whole world in His hands.— He's got the wind and the rain in His hands,— it - ty bit - ty ba - by in His hands,— in His— hands,— He's got the whole wide world— in His— hands, He's got the in His hands,— wind and the rain in His hands, He's got the it - ty bit - ty ba - by in His hands,— whole world in His hands.— whole in world— in His— hands,— whole world in His hands.— wind and the rain in His hands,— whole world in His hands.—'



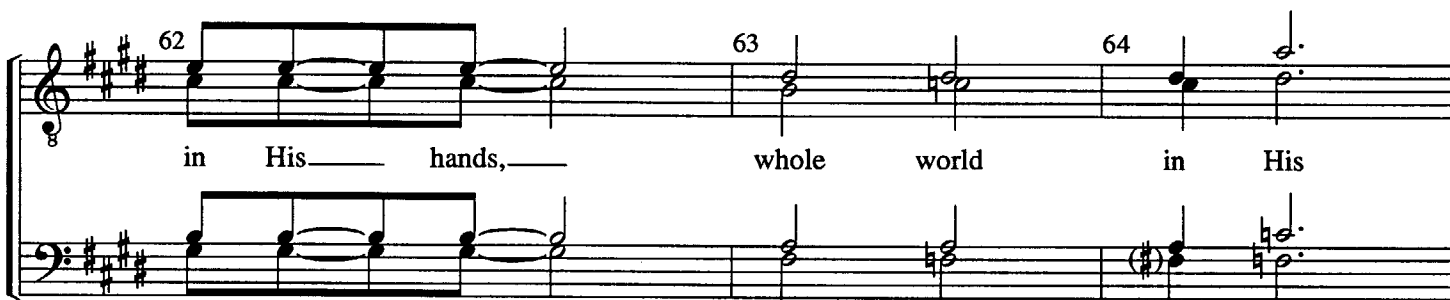
56 57 58

He's got the whole world in His hands, He's got the



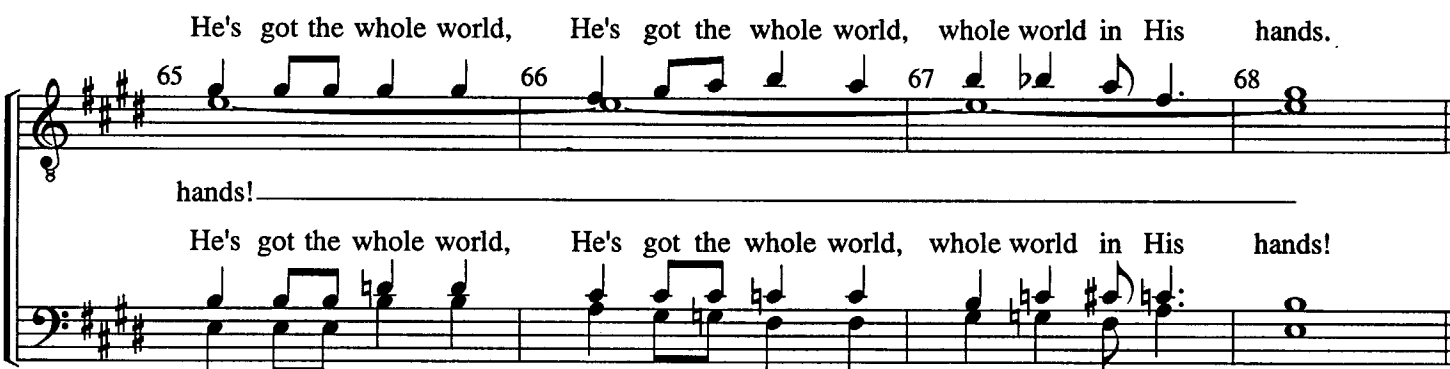
59 60 61

whole world in His hands, He's got the whole world



62 63 64

in His hands, whole world in His



65 66 67 68

He's got the whole world, He's got the whole world, whole world in His hands.  
hands! He's got the whole world, He's got the whole world, whole world in His hands!

## ***Performance Notes***

This traditional spiritual was given a special setting by the "King" of barbershop, Fred King. A Barbershopper since 1951, Fred is a retired music educator living in Baltimore, Maryland. He sang baritone in the **Oriole Four**, the 1970 international champion quartet, and directed the **Chorus of the Chesapeake** to its second international championship in 1971, becoming only one of four men who have been a gold-medal quartet singer and directed an international champion chorus. Fred has nearly 500 barbershop arrangements to his credit, and was director of an outstanding Sweet Adeline Chorus in Baltimore as well.

In performing this unique arrangement, sing it in free style through measure 6 and begin a tempo in measure 7. Maintain the beat throughout.

You might like to do a "one more time" treatment at the end. To do this, keep the beat right into measure 68 and then the whole chorus shout "one more time !" Then go back to measure 57, in tempo, and direct the audience in clapping on the off beats, two and four. When you reach measure 64, clap on 1 and 2 to finish the clapping sequence and let the chorus carry it with their singing, holding the next to the last chord on the word "His" before singing the final chord.

As a final note: Questions about the contest suitability of this or any other song/arrangement should be directed to the judging community and measured against current contest rules. Ask *before* you sing.