

# The King Appears

Douglas Yates — inspired by Psalm 98:2-4 • Key: C major • 70 BPM • 4/4

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## INTRO (SOLO GRAND PIANO, RUBATO -- SINGLE FEMALE VOICE, BARELY ABOVE A WHISPER)

**Bb** **G**  
Oh... after all the waiting...

**G** **F** **C** **C**  
after all the silent years -- behold, He came.

## VERSE 1 (INTIMATE -- FEMALE LEAD OVER GENTLE PIANO, PP)

**C** **G** **F**  
Long we held the ancient promise,  
**F** **G** **F** **Eb**  
a word we could not touch and could not see;

**Bb** **Bb** **F**  
He had sworn His faithful mercy,  
**F** **F** **G**  
a covenant that heaven vowed to keep.

**Eb** **C** **F**  
And He never let the promise fall--

**F** **Bb** **Bb**  
so lift your weary head, and look:

## PRE-CHORUS 1 (STRINGS BREATHE IN, THE PULSE BEGINS TO RISE)

**F** **F**  
He remembered mercy,

**G** **Dm**  
He remembered truth;

**Bb** **Bb** **G**  
every word He swore to Israel

**Eb** **F** **F**  
is standing here -- the living proof.

## CHORUS (THE REVEAL OPENS UP -- LEAD SOARS, GOSPEL CHOIR SHADOWS UNDERNEATH)

**F**                      **Eb**                      **Bb**  
 Lift your eyes -- the King appears!  
**Bb**                      **Eb**                      **C**  
 the hope of all our waiting years;  
**G**                                      **C**                      **C**  
 salvation shown for every eye to see,  
**C**                                      **C**                      **F**  
 in open sight of all the world--  
**F**                                      **Eb**                      **C**                      **Eb**  
 now the ends, all the ends of the earth  
**C**                                      **C**                                      **C**  
 have seen the salvation of our God!  
**C**                                      **C**                                      **C**  
 So lift the sound, let the nations hear:  
**C**                                      **C**                                      **C**  
 behold, behold -- the King appears!

## **VERSE 2 (WARMER, FULLER -- PIANO + STRINGS, THE WITNESS WIDENS TO THE NATIONS)**

**C**                                      **C**                                      **C**  
 He has made it known to strangers,  
**C**                                      **C**                                      **C**  
 to the far, the foreign, and the lost;  
**C**                      **C**                                      **C**  
 what the prophets saw in glimpses,  
**C**                                      **C**                                      **C**                      **C**  
 now the whole wide earth is rising to behold.  
**C**                      **C**                                      **C**  
 From the islands to the desert,  
**C**                                      **C**                                      **C**  
 every distant shore will see Him now--

## **PRE-CHORUS 2 (HIGHER, FASTER THAN THE FIRST -- CLAPS AND KICK GATHERING)**

**C**                                      **C**  
 He remembered mercy,  
**C**                                      **C**  
 He kept His every vow;

C C C  
all that Israel ached and waited for  
G Am G  
is breaking open -- here and now:

### CHORUS (BIGGER -- FULL BAND UNDER THE LEAD)

C C C  
Lift your eyes -- the King appears!  
F C C  
the hope of all our waiting years;  
Bb G G  
salvation shown for every eye to see,  
F C C  
in open sight of all the world--  
C G F F  
now the ends, all the ends of the earth  
G F Eb  
have seen the salvation of our God!  
Bb Bb F  
So lift the sound, let the nations hear:  
F F G  
behold, behold -- the King appears!

### BRIDGE (KEY CHANGE UP -- FULL GOSPEL CHOIR + ORCHESTRA, CALL-AND-RESPONSE, THE JOYFUL NOISE -- PS 98:4)

Eb C F  
Make a joyful noise, all the earth!  
F Bb  
(Sing! Sing!) lift it higher!  
Bb F  
Every tribe and every tongue,  
F G  
join the everlasting choir!  
Dm Bb Bb  
Make a joyful noise, all the earth--  
G Eb  
let the whole creation ring:

**F**                      **F**                      **F**  
the salvation of our God has come,  
**Eb**                      **Bb**  
so sing, sing, sing!

**FINAL CHORUS (EVERYTHING AT FULL -- CHOIR + STRINGS + TIMPANI + BELLS; LEAD AD-LIBBING OVER THE TOP)**

**Bb**                      **Eb**                      **C**  
Lift your eyes -- the King appears!  
**G**                      **C**                      **C**  
the hope of all our waiting years;  
**C**                                      **C**                      **F**  
salvation shown for every eye to see,  
**F**                      **Eb**                      **C**  
in open sight of all the world--  
**Eb**                      **C**                      **C**                      **C**  
now the ends, all the ends of the earth  
**C**                      **C**                                      **C**  
have seen the salvation of our God!  
**C**                                      **C**                                      **C**  
So lift the sound, let the nations hear:  
**C**                      **C**                                      **C**  
behold, behold -- the King appears!

**TAG (THE CHOIR FALLS AWAY -- LEAD ALONE, BACK TO THE PIANO, HUSHED AND SURE)**

**C**                      **C**                                      **C**  
The ends of the earth have seen...  
**C**                                      **C**  
behold... the King appears.