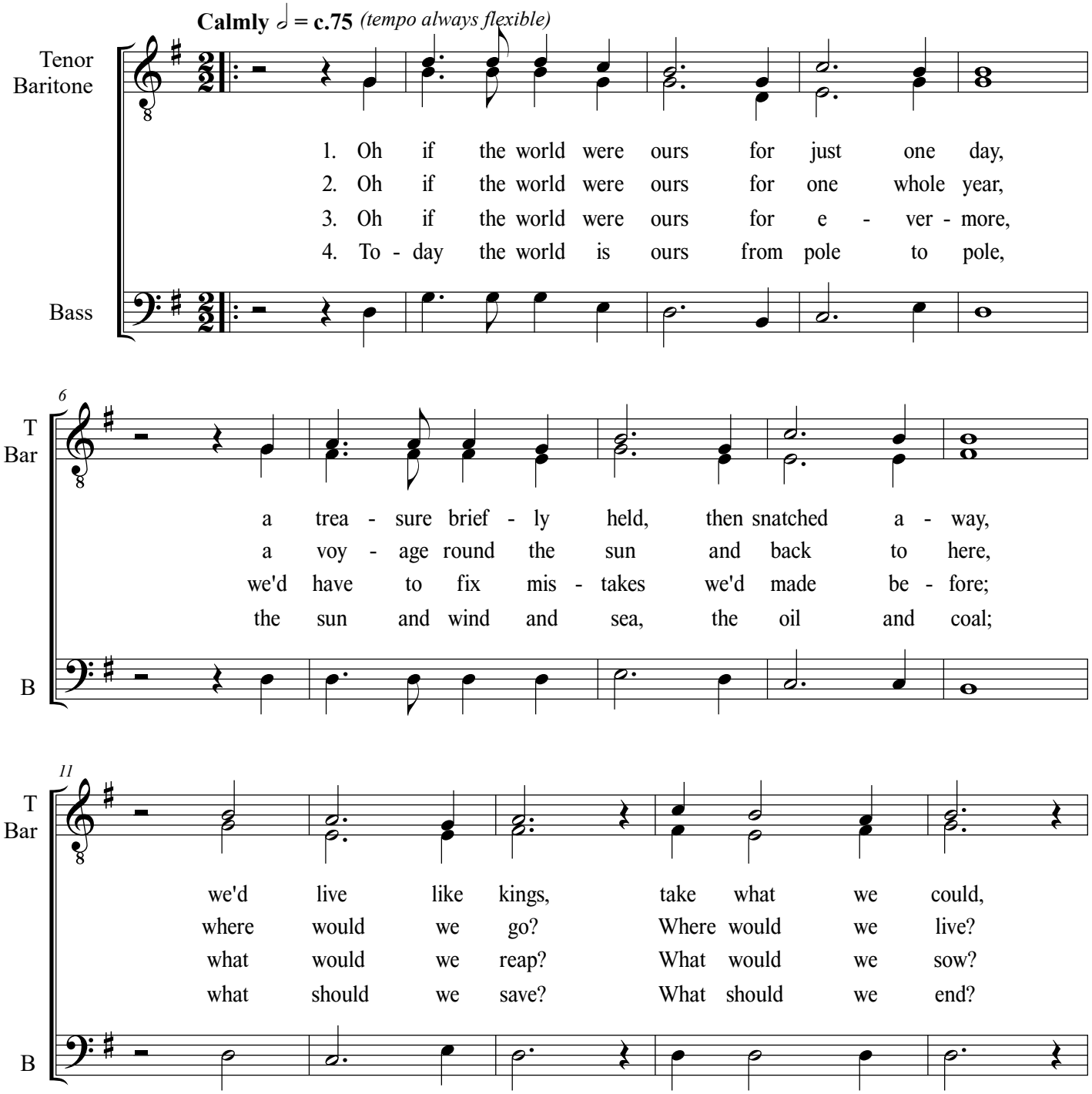
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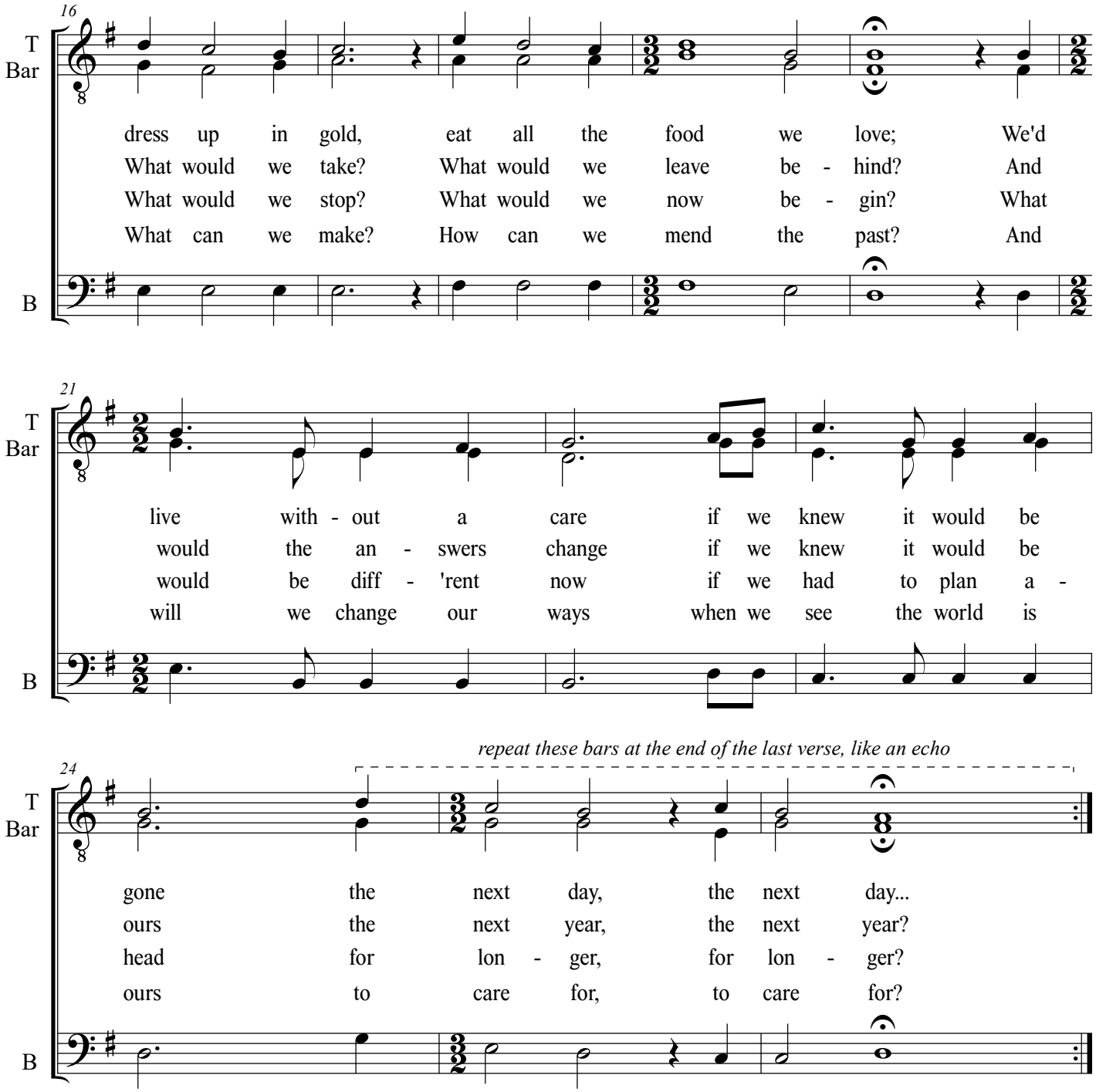
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1. Oh if the world were ours for just one day,
a treasure briefly lent, then snatched away,
we'd live like kings, take what we could,
dress up in gold, eat all the food we love;
We'd live without a care
if we knew it would be gone
the next day, the next day...

2. Oh if the world were ours for one whole year,
a voyage round the sun and back to here,
where would we go? Where would we live?
What would we take? What would we leave behind?
And would the answers change
if we knew it would be ours
the next year, the next year?

3. Oh if the world were ours for evermore,
we'd have to fix mistakes we'd made before;
What would we reap? What would we sow?
What would we stop? What would we now begin?
What would be different now
if we had to plan ahead
for longer, for longer?

4. Today the world is ours from pole to pole,
the sun and wind and sea, the oil and coal;
What should we save? What should we end?
What can we make? How can we mend the past?
And will we change our ways
when we see the world is ours
to care for, to care for?