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For the 1996 Georgia All-State Junior High Mixed Chorus

PRAYER OF THE CHILDREN

SATB, a cappella

Words and Music
by KURT BESTOR
Arranged by
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Performance time: 5:15

Freely, with much feeling (♩ = ca. 52)

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A

Can you _ hear _____ the pray'r of the chil - dren _____ on bend - ed

unis. mp

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B

knee, _____ in the shad-ow of an un - known room? _ Emp - ty _____

p

p Eyes _____ *cresc.* with no more

eyes _____ with no more _ tears to _____ cry, _____ turn - ing

cresc.

heav - en - ward _____ toward the _____ light. Cry - in' *Je - sus

mf

mf

mf

mf

*Alternate text: Who will

9 *f*

help me to see the morn-in' light of one more day, but if

f *unis.*

I should die be-fore I wake, I pray my soul to take. Can you

mp

13

feel the hearts of the chil - dren ach - ing for

mf

home, for some-thing of their ver - y own? Reach - ing

unis.

17

hands with noth-ing to hold on to, but hope for a