

Wayfaring Stranger

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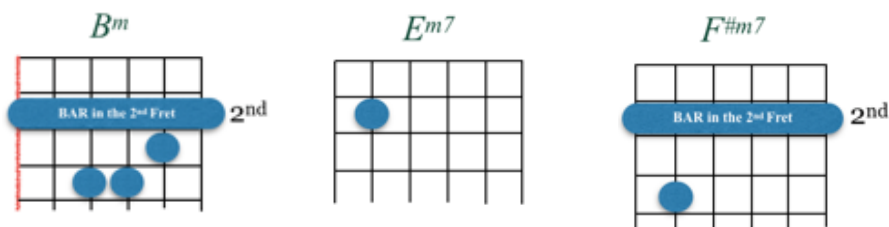
Bm *Em* *Bm*
 I am a poor wayfaring stranger;
Bm *Em* *Bm*
 Wandering through this world of woe;
Bm *Em* *Bm*
 But there's no sorrow, toil or danger;
Bm *Em7* *A7* *Bm*
 In that bright land to which I go.

Bm *G A* *D*
 I'm going there to see my father.
D *G A* *Bm F#m7*
 I'm going there no more to roam.
Bm *Em7* *Bm*
 I'm just a go - - ing over Jordan;
Bm *Em7* *A7* *Bm*
 I'm only go - - - ing over home.

Bm *Em* *Bm*
 I know dark clouds will gather 'round me.
Bm *Em* *Bm*
 I know my way is rough and steep.
Bm *Em* *Bm*
 But golden fields lie out before me;
Bm *Em7* *A7* *Bm*
 Where all the saints their vigils keep.

Bm *G A* *D*
 I'm going there to see my mother.
D *G A* *Bm F#m7*
 I'm going there no more to roam.
Bm *Em7* *Bm*
 I'm just a go - - - ing over Jordan;
Bm *Em7* *A7* *Bm*
 I'm only go - - - ing over home.

Bm *G A* *D*
 I'm going there to see my Savior.
D *G A* *Bm F#m7*
 To sing His praise forevermore.
Bm *Em7* *Bm*
 I'm just a go - - - ing over Jordan;
Bm *Em7* *A7* *Bm*
 I'm only go - - - ing over home.





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Scripture and History

1st Peter 2:9-11 But you are “a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises” of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were “no people” but now you are God’s people; you “had not received mercy” but now you have received mercy. Beloved, I urge you as aliens and sojourners* to keep away from worldly desires that wage war against the soul.

2nd Corinthians 5:1 For we know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven.

Revelation 21:1-4 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them [as their God].

He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, [for] the old order has passed away.”

“**Wayfaring Stranger**” comes to us from the southern Appalachian Mountains and has been traced back to the late 1700s. The song has been associated with the Melungeon people, and was collected as number 3339 in the Roud Folk Song Index.

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Melungeon is a term traditionally applied to people groups living in the Southeastern United States thought to be of mixed European, African and First American ancestry. These families and communities are associated with the Cumberland Gap area of central Appalachia, which includes portions of East Tennessee, Southwest Virginia, and eastern Kentucky.

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