

What Christmas Means

by Anne Marie Corey

♩ = 75

p *cresc. poco a poco*

Christ-mas — toys and Christ-mas — bells, San - ta's sleigh and San - ta's elves,
Some-where a-long the road it — changed; Christ - mas does - n't mean the same.
Mar - y's — child, Earth's heav'n - ly — stall, — One bright star a - bove it all,

Christ - mas trees and Christ - mas lights, Can - dy dreams and
Store - front win - dows, Christ - mas lights, lone - ly days and
Dark, still night in shep - herds' fields, An - gel voic - es

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16

snow - filled nights. This is what — Christ-mas means to a
 emp - ty nights. Can this be what Christ-mas means? Just a -
 her - ald - ing. This is what — Christ-mas means. Three —

mf

19

child of four with eyes a - gleam. Yes, this is what —
 moth - er day is all it seems. No, this can't be what
 prec - ious gifts from three wise kings. Oh, this is what it

23

1. Christ-mas means. 2, 3. Christ - mas means. Christ-mas is
 real - ly means.

26

reach - ing out to our neigh - bors, ce - le - bra - ting the birth of the

Musical score for measures 26-28. The vocal line is in G minor, 4/4 time. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords in the right hand.

29

Sa - vior Christ-mas is the time for lov - ing one a - noth - er This is what

Musical score for measures 29-31. The vocal line continues. The piano accompaniment includes a dynamic marking of *mf* (mezzo-forte) in measure 31.

32

Christ-mas means This is what Christ-mas means.

1.

Musical score for measures 32-35. Measure 32 includes a first ending bracket labeled '1.'. The piano accompaniment features a more active right hand with chords and a melodic line.

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36 2.

Christ-mas means This is what Christ - mas means.

39 *rit.*

This is what

42 *molto rit.* *a tempo* *rit.*

Christ - mas means, the birth of a heav'n - ly king.