Scene 10 — On The Avenue

Nicky sees a bummed-out Princeton.

NICKY

Help the homeless! Help the – Hey, Princeton!

PRINCETON

Hi Nicky.

NICKY

You look all down in the dumps.

PRINCETON

You could say that.

NICKY

Yeah, I'm in the dumps, too. I'm living there, in fact. Say, could you do something for me, buddy?

PRINCETON

Like what?

NICKY

Give me a quarter.

PRINCETON

Not right now, Nicky.

NICKY

Aww, come on, you know you want to! How 'bout a dime?

PRINCETON

I need a moment by myself, okay?

NICKY

You know what? You need to stop thinking about YOURSELF. Try helping somebody else out for a change. Like me! Come on Princeton! Give me a quarter.

#18 – *The Money Song*

(sings:)

HERE IN MY HAT.
YOU'LL FEEL BETTER –
IT'S EASY AS THAT!
HELPING OTHERS BRINGS YOU
CLOSER TO GOD,
SO GIVE ME A QUARTER!

PRINCETON

I don't have any change.

NICKY

Hmm.

OKAY,
GIVE ME A DOLLAR!

PRINCETON

That's not what I meant.

NICKY

GIVE ME A FIVE!

PRINCETON

Are you kidding?

NICKY

THE MORE YOU GIVE
THE MORE YOU GET —
THAT'S BEING ALIVE.
ALL I'M ASKING YOU
IS TO DO WHAT JESUS CHRIST WOULD DO.
HE'D GIVE ME A QUARTER.
WHY DON'T YOU?

PRINCETON

All right, all right, here you go.

He puts money in Nicky's cup.

NICKY

Thanks!

PRINCETON

Take care.

A musical sting.

Whoa!

NICKY

What's the matter?

PRINCETON

I feel — generous! I feel — compassionate!

NICKY

And if you give me a twenty you'll feel even better!

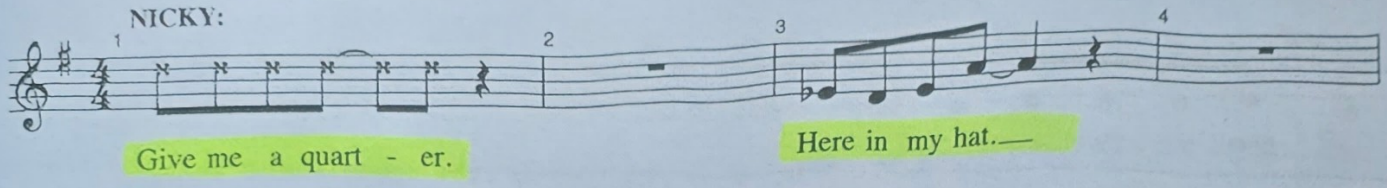
Princeton, Nicky,
Gary, Christmas
Eve, Brian, Jen, Steph

THE MONEY SONG 18

NICKY: "You know what? You need to stop thinking about YOURSELF. Try helping somebody else out for a change. Like me! Come on Princeton!"

Colla Voce (Straight 8ths)

NICKY:



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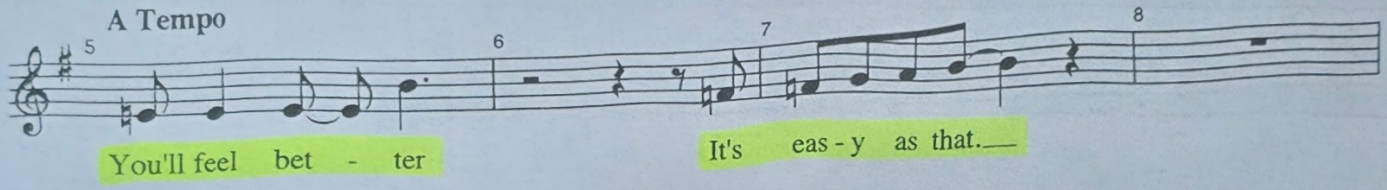

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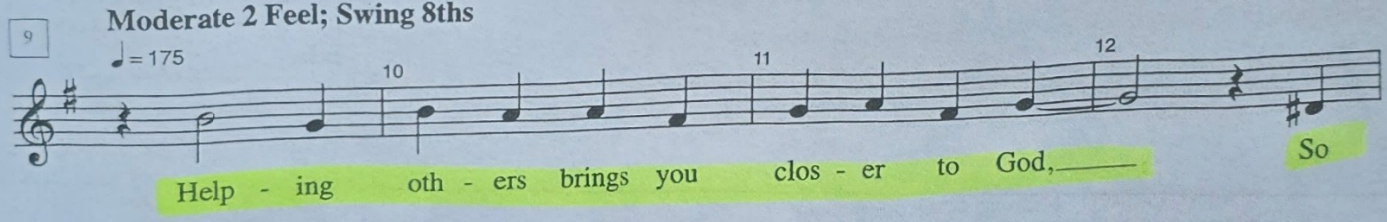

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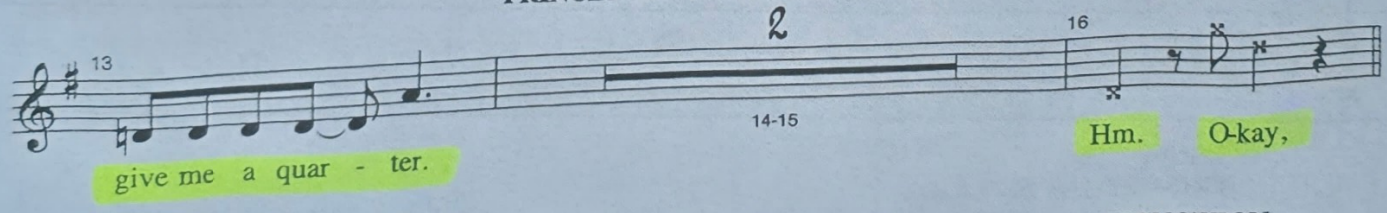

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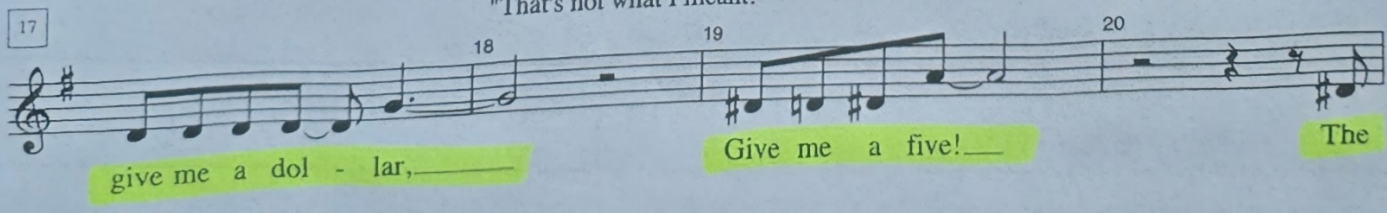

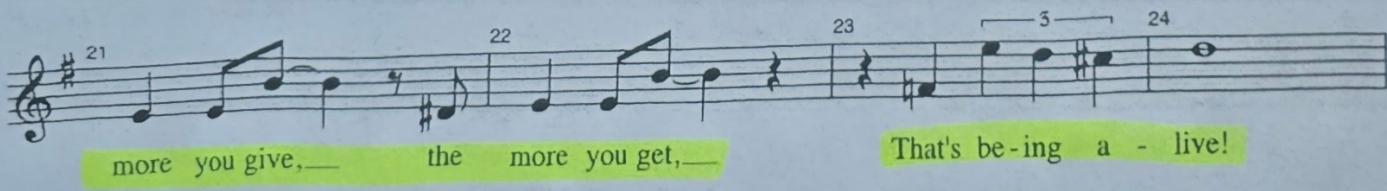

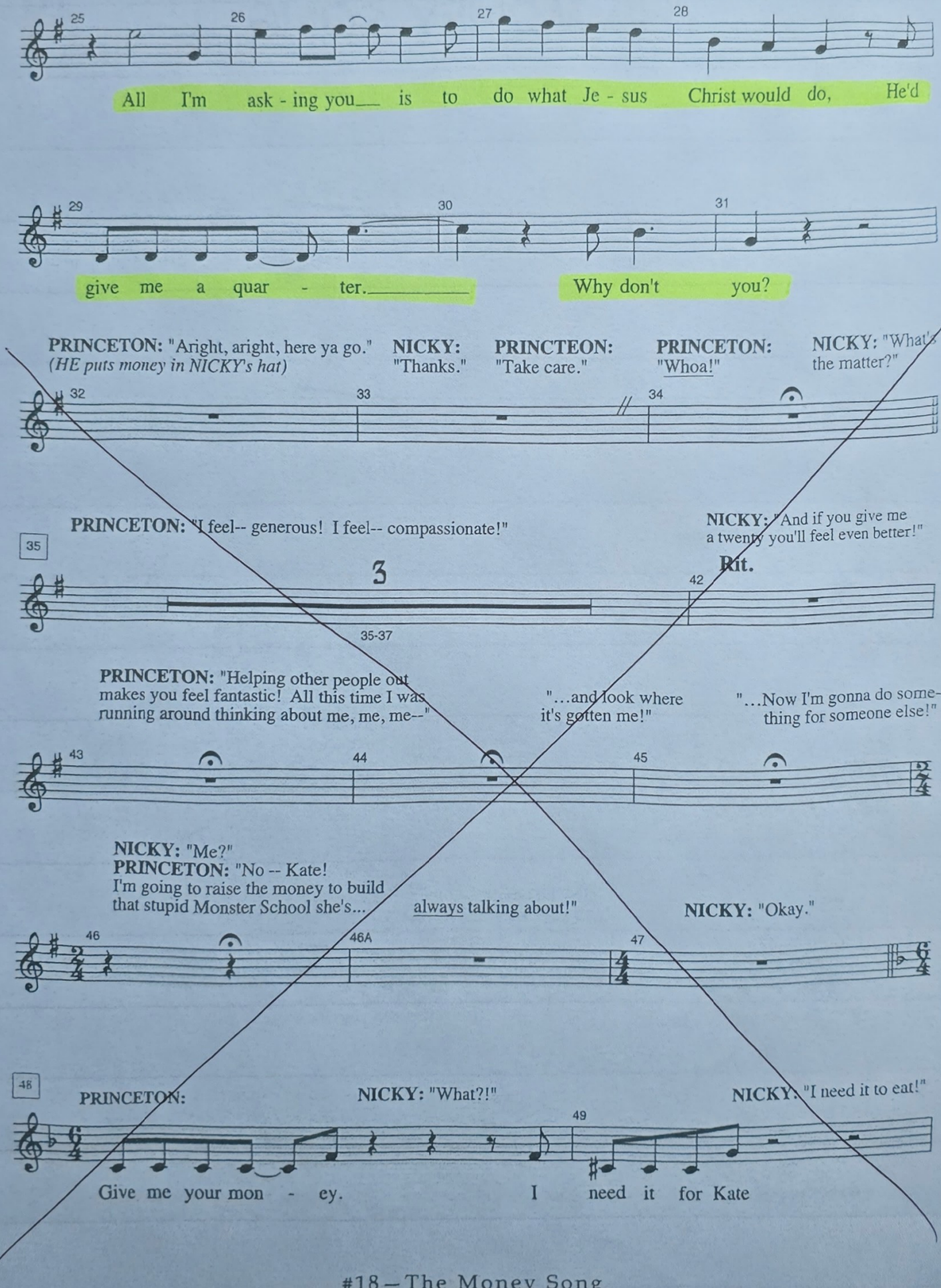
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(HE puts money in NICKY's hat)
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PRINCETON: "I feel-- generous! I feel-- compassionate!"
NICKY: "And if you give me a twenty you'll feel even better!"
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PRINCETON: "Helping other people out makes you feel fantastic! All this time I was running around thinking about me, me, me--"
"...and look where it's gotten me!"
"...Now I'm gonna do something for someone else!"
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NICKY: "Me?"
PRINCETON: "No -- Kate!
I'm going to raise the money to build that stupid Monster School she's... always talking about!"
NICKY: "Okay."
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PRINCETON:
NICKY: "What?!"
NICKY: "I need it to eat!"
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Give me your mon - ey. I need it for Kate