8. Joshua fit the battle of Jericho

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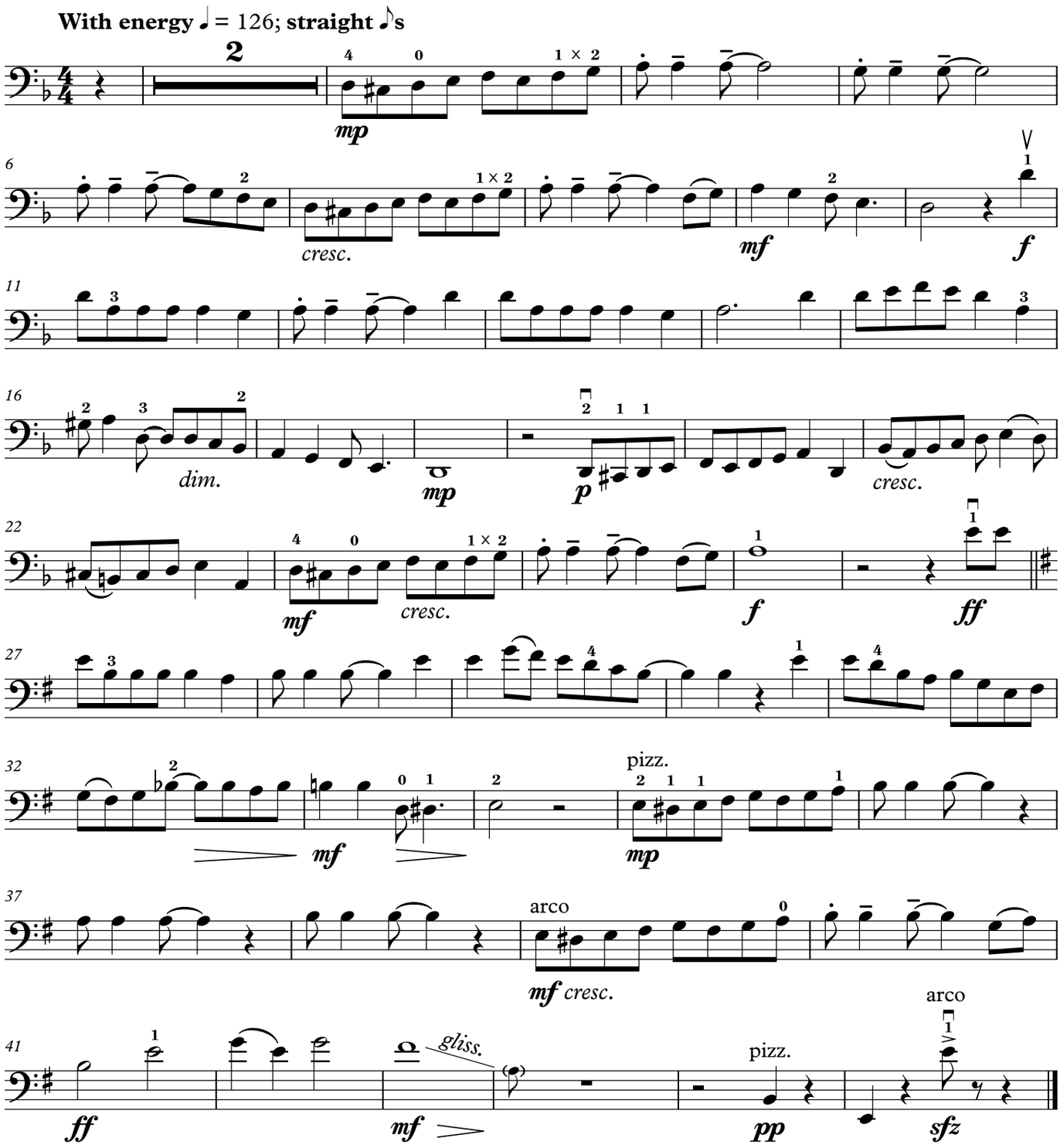

The words of this spiritual recall the biblical story in which Joshua and the Israelites fought ('fit') and won a famous victory at Jericho over the Canaanites. According to the story, the walls of the city fell after Joshua's army marched around them blowing trumpets. It has been seen as a metaphor for escape from slavery. This energetic arrangement needs to be played with a strong sense of jazz/blues style—bars 31–4 are like a written-out improvisation. The ♪s should be played evenly ('straight') and not swung. Enjoy the glissando in bar 43 as the walls come tumbling down!

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