

# **Celebrating the Birth of the Messiah**

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### **1. God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen**

God rest you merry gentlemen  
Let nothing you dismay  
Remember Christ our Savior  
Was born on Christmas Day  
To save us all from Satan's power  
When we were gone astray

O tidings of comfort and joy  
Comfort and joy  
O tidings of comfort and joy

From God our heavenly Father  
A blessed angel came  
And unto certain shepherds  
Brought tidings of the same

How that in Bethlehem was born  
The Son of God by name

O tidings of comfort and joy  
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## **2. We Three Kings**

We three kings of Orient are;  
bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
following yonder star.

*Refrain:*

*O star of wonder, star of light,  
star with royal beauty bright,  
westward leading, still proceeding,  
guide us to thy perfect light.*

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
gold I bring to crown him again,  
King forever, ceasing never,  
over us all to reign.

*[Refrain]*

Frankincense to offer have I;  
incense owns a Deity nigh;  
prayer and praising, voices raising,  
worshiping God on high.

*[Refrain]*

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume  
breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,  
sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

*[Refrain]*

Glorious now behold him arise;  
King and God and sacrifice:  
Alleluia, Alleluia,  
sounds through the earth and skies.

*[Refrain]*

### **3. O Little Town of Bethlehem**

O little town of Bethlehem  
How still we see thee lie  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
The everlasting light  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight

O holy Child of Bethlehem  
Descend to us, we pray  
Cast out our sin and enter in  
Be born in us today  
We hear the Christmas angels  
The great glad tidings tell  
Oh, come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

#### **4. O Come O Come Emmanuel**

O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, Thou Day-spring, come and cheer  
Our spirits by Thine advent here;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, Desire of nations, bind  
All peoples in one heart and mind,  
Bid envy, strife, and quarrels cease,  
fill the whole world with heavens peace.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

#### **5. Mary Did You Know? – Mark Lowry**

Mary, did you know that your baby boy would one day walk on water?  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy would save our sons and daughters?  
Did you know that your baby boy has come to make you new?  
This Child that you delivered, will soon deliver you.

Mary, did you know that your baby boy will give sight to the blind man?  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy will calm a storm with His hand?

Did you know that your baby boy has walked where angels trod?  
And when you kiss your little baby, you've kissed the face of God?  
Mary, did you know? Oo, Mary, did you know?

The blind will see, the deaf will hear; the dead will live again!  
The lame will leap, the dumb will speak, the praises of the Lamb!

Mary, did you know that your baby boy is Lord of all creation?  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy will one day rule the nations?  
Did you know that your baby boy was heaven's perfect Lamb?  
And the sleeping Child you're holding Is the Great - I - Am!

## **6. Silent Night**

Silent night, holy night  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon virgin, mother and child.  
Holy Infant so tender and mild  
Sleep in heavenly peace,  
Sleep in heavenly peace!

Silent night, holy night  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing 'Alleluia  
Christ the Savior is born,  
Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face

With the dawn of redeeming grace  
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth,  
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth!

## **7. Hark The Herald Angels Sing**

Hark! The herald angels sing,  
“Glory to the newborn King;  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!”  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies;  
With angelic hosts proclaim,  
“Christ is born in Bethlehem!”

Hark! the herald angels sing,  
“Glory to the newborn King!”

Christ, by highest heaven adored;  
Christ the everlasting Lord;  
Late in time, behold Him come,  
Offspring of the virgin’s womb.  
Veiled in flesh the God-head see;  
Hail the incarnate Deity,  
Pleased as man with men to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hark! the herald angels sing,  
“Glory to the newborn King!”

Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!

Light and life to all He brings,  
Ris'n with healing in His wings.  
Mild He lays His glory by,  
Born that man no more may die;  
Born to raise the sons of earth,  
Born to give them second birth.

Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new—born-- King!"

## **8. What Child Is This?**

What Child is this who, laid to rest,  
On Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,  
While shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ the King,  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,  
Come peasant, king to own Him;  
The King of kings salvation brings,  
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.

Raise, raise a song on high,  
The virgin sings her lullaby;  
Joy, joy for Christ is born,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

This, this is Christ the King,  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

## **9. Joy To The World**

Joy to the world the Lord is come  
Let earth receive her King  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns  
Let men their songs employ  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy

He rules the world with truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness  
And wonders of His love  
And wonders of His love  
And wonders, wonders, of--- His--- love



