



# Christmas Carols

## *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

*Chorus:*

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

Nails and spears shall pierce Him through  
The Cross be borne for me, for you  
Hail, hail the Word made flesh  
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

## *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day*

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day  
Their old familiar carols play,  
And wild and sweet the words repeat  
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

I thought how, as the day had come,  
The belfries of all Christendom  
Had rolled along the unbroken song  
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

And in despair I bowed my head:  
"There is no peace on earth," I said,  
"For hate is strong and mocks the song  
Of peace on earth, good will to men."

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:  
"God is not dead, nor doth he sleep;  
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,  
With peace on earth, good will to men."

Till, ringing singing, on its way,  
The world revolved from night to day,  
A voice, a chime, a chant sublime,  
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

## *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

O little town of Bethlehem,  
How still we see thee lie!  
Above your 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.

For Christ is born of Mary,  
And gathered all above,  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep  
Their watch of wondering love.  
O morning stars, together  
Proclaim thy holy birth  
And praises sing to God, the King,  
And peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently,  
The wondrous Gift is giv'n!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
The blessings of His heaven.  
No ear may hear His coming,  
But in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive Him still,  
The dear Christ enters in.

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

## *Silent Night*

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

Silent night, Holy night  
Shepherds quake, at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven above  
Heavenly, hosts sing Hallelujah.  
Christ the Saviour is born,  
Christ the Saviour 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.

## *Angels We Have Heard on High*

Angels we have heard on high  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains.

*Refrain:*

*Gloria, in excelsis Deo!*  
*Gloria, in excelsis Deo!*

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be  
Which inspire your heav'nly song?

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee,  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

See Him in a manger laid,  
Jesus Lord of heaven and earth  
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,  
With us sing our Saviour's birth.

## *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 world! The Saviour 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

No more let sins and sorrows grow  
Nor thorns infest the ground  
He comes to make  
His blessings flow  
Far as the curse is found  
Far as the curse is found  
Far as, far as the curse is found

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 and wonders of His love

## *Angels from the Realms of Glory*

Angels from the realms of glory,  
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
Ye who sang creation's story,  
Now proclaim Messiah's birth:  
Come and worship, Come and worship,  
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

Shepherds, in the fields abiding,  
Watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with man is now residing,  
Yonder shines the infant Light;  
Come and worship, Come and worship,  
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

Sages, leave your contemplations,  
Brighter visions beam afar;  
Seek the great Desire of nations,  
Ye have seen His natal star;  
Come and worship, Come and worship,  
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

Saints before the altar bending,  
Watching long in hope and fear,  
Suddenly the Lord, descending,  
In His temple shall appear:  
Come and worship, Come and worship,  
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

## *The First Noel*

The First Noel, the Angels did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as  
they lay  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel  
Born is the King of Israel!

And by the light of that same star  
Three Wise men came from country far  
To seek for a King was their intent  
And to follow the star wherever it went.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel  
Born is the King of Israel!

This star drew nigh to the northwest  
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest  
And there it did both stop and stay  
Right o'er the place where Jesus lay.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel  
Born is the King of Israel!

Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord  
That hath made Heaven and earth of nought  
And with his blood mankind has bought.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel  
Born is the King of Israel!

## *O Come All Ye Faithful*

O Come All Ye Faithful, joyful and  
triumphant,  
Come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold Him, born the King of  
Angels;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
Sing all ye bright hosts of heav'n above  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy  
morning,  
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

## *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear*

It came upon the midnight clear, That  
glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth,  
To touch their harps of gold:  
"Peace on the earth, goodwill to men  
From heaven's all gracious King!"  
The world in solemn stillness lay to hear the  
angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come,  
With peaceful wings unfurled;  
And still their heavenly music floats  
O'er all the weary world:  
Above its sad and lowly plains  
They bend on hovering wing,  
And ever o'er its Babel sounds  
The blessed angels sing.

And ye beneath life's crushing load,  
Whose forms are bending low,  
Who toil along the climbing way  
With painful steps and slow;  
Look now, for glad and golden hours  
Come swiftly on the wing;  
Oh rest beside the weary road  
And hear the angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on,  
By prophet bards foretold,  
When with the ever-circling years  
Comes round the age of gold,  
When peace shall over all the earth  
It's ancient splendors fling,  
And the whole world give back the song  
Which now the angels sing.

## *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King,  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!"  
Joyful, all ye nations rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies;  
With th' angelic host proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King!"

Christ, by highest heaven adored;  
Christ, the everlasting Lord;  
Late in time behold him come,  
Offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;  
Hail th' incarnate Deity,  
Pleased as man with men to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel.  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King!"

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
Risen 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!"

## *Go Tell It on the Mountain*

### *Chorus*

*Go, Tell It On The Mountain,  
Over the hills and  
everywhere;  
Go, Tell It On The Mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born.*

While shepherds kept their watching  
o'er silent flocks by night,  
Behold throughout the heavens,  
There shone a holy light:

The shepherds feared and trembled  
When lo! above the earth  
Rang out the angel chorus  
That hailed our Saviour's birth:

Down in a lowly manger  
Our humble Christ was born  
And brought us God's salvation,  
That blessed Christmas morn:

## *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 Rod of Jesse, free  
Thine own from Satan's tyranny  
From depths of Hell Thy people save  
And give them victory o'er the grave  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, Thou Dayspring, 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, Thou Key of David, come,  
And open wide our heavenly home;  
Make safe the way that leads on high,  
And close the path to misery.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

## *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Come, thou long expected Jesus,  
Born to set thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us,  
Let us find our rest in thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation,  
Hope of all the earth thou art;  
Dear Desire of every nation,  
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,  
Born a child and yet a King,  
Born to reign in us forever,  
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By Thine own eternal Spirit  
Rule in all our hearts alone;  
By Thine all sufficient merit,  
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

## *Adore*

You stepped down from heaven  
Humbly You came  
God of all creation, here with us  
In a starlit manger, Emmanuel  
Light of the world here to save

*Chorus:*

*Adore, come let us adore  
Oh, come let us adore Him  
The Lord, worship Christ the Lord  
Let all that is within us adore*

Wise men bring their treasures,  
Shepherds bow low  
Angel voices sing of peace on earth  
What have I to offer to heaven's King?  
I will bring my life, my love, my all

*Chorus:*

*Adore, come let us adore  
Oh, come let us adore Him  
The Lord, worship Christ the Lord  
Let all that is within us adore*

*Bridge:*

Angels sing, praises ring to the  
newborn King  
Peace on earth, here with us, joy  
awakening  
At your feet we fall

*Chorus*

## *He Shall Reign*

### *Forevermore*

In the bleak midwinter, all creation groans  
For a world in darkness, frozen like a stone  
Light is breaking in a stable for a throne

*Chorus:*

*And He shall reign forevermore,  
forevermore  
And He shall reign forevermore,  
forevermore  
Unto us a Child is born,  
the King of kings and Lord of lords  
And He shall reign forevermore,  
forevermore*

If I were a wise man, I would travel far  
If I were a shepherd, I would do my part  
But poor as I am, I will give to Him my heart

*Chorus*

*And He shall reign forevermore,  
forevermore  
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forevermore  
Unto us a Child is born,  
the King of kings and Lord of lords  
And He shall reign forevermore,  
forevermore*

*Bridge:*

Here within a manger lies,  
the One who made the starry skies  
This Baby born for sacrifice, Christ  
the Messiah  
Into our hopes, into our fears,  
the Saviour of the world appears  
The Promise of eternal years, Christ  
the Messiah

*Chorus*



### *Joy Has Dawned*

Joy has dawned upon the world,  
Promised from creation—  
God's salvation now unfurled,  
Hope for ev'ry nation.  
Not with fanfares from above,  
Not with scenes of glory,  
But a humble gift of love—  
Jesus born of Mary.

Sounds of wonder fill the sky  
With the songs of angels  
As the mighty Prince of Life  
Shelters in a stable.  
Hands that set each star in place,  
Shaped the earth in darkness,  
Cling now to a mother's breast,  
Vuln'erable and helpless.

Shepherds bow before the Lamb,  
Gazing at the glory;  
Gifts of men from distant lands  
Prophecy the story.  
Gold—a King is born today,  
Incense—God is with us,  
Myrrh—His death will make a way,  
And by His blood He'll win us.

Son of Adam, Son of heaven,  
Given as a ransom;  
Reconciling God and man,  
Christ, our mighty champion!  
What a Saviour! What a Friend!  
What a glorious myst'ry!  
Once a babe in Bethlehem,  
Now the Lord of hist'ry

### *O Holy Night (Hear the Gospel Story)*

O holy night, the stars are brightly shining,  
It is the night of our dear Saviour's birth.  
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,  
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.  
A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices,  
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.  
Fall on your knees, O hear the angel voices!  
O night divine, O night when Christ was born!  
O night, O holy night when Christ was born!

Humbly He lay, Creator come as creature,  
Born on the floor of a hay-scattered stall.  
True Son of God, yet bearing human feature,  
He entered earth to reverse Adam's fall.  
In towering grace, He laid aside His glory,  
And in our place, was sacrificed for sin.  
Fall on your knees! O hear the gospel story!  
O night divine, O night when Christ was born!  
O night, O holy night when Christ was born!

Come then to Him Who lies within the manger,  
With joyful shepherds, proclaim Him as Lord.  
Let not the Promised Son remain a stranger;  
In reverent worship, make Christ your Adored.  
Eternal life is theirs who would receive Him;  
With grace and peace, their lives He will adorn.  
Fall on your knees! Receive the Gift of heaven!  
O night divine, O night when Christ was born  
O night, O holy night when Christ was born