

**Once in Royal David city (19)**

Once in royal David's city  
Stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her Baby  
In a manger for His bed:  
Mary was that mother mild,  
Jesus Christ her little Child.

He came down to earth from heaven,  
Who is God and Lord of all,  
And His shelter was a stable,  
And His cradle was a stall;  
With the poor, and mean, and lowly,  
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

And through all his wondrous childhood  
He would honour and obey  
love and watch the gentle mother  
in whose gentle arms He lay:  
Christian children all must be  
mild, obedient, good as He.

For He is our childhood's pattern:  
day by day like us He grew,

He was little, weak and helpless,  
tears and smiles like us He knew;  
and He feeleth for our sadness,  
and He shareth in our gladness.

And our eyes at last shall see Him,  
Through His own redeeming love;  
For that Child so dear and gentle  
Is our Lord in heaven above,  
And He leads His children on  
To the place where He is gone

Not in that poor lowly stable  
with the oxen standing by,  
we shall see Him, but in heaven,  
set at God's right hand on high;  
When like stars His children crowned  
All in white shall wait around.

### **Silent Night** (13)

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 Al-le-lu-ia!  
Christ the Saviour is born!  
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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

### **Isaiah 9: 2;6;7**

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,  
on them has light shined.  
For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given;  
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,  
and his name shall be called  
Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there will be no end,  
on the throne of David and over his kingdom,

to establish it and to uphold it  
with justice and with righteousness  
from this time forth and for evermore.

### **Angels from the realms of glory (18)**

Angels from the realms of glory  
Wing your flight through all the earth  
Ye who sang creation's story  
Now proclaim Messiah's birth  
Come and worship  
Christ the new-born King  
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  
Christ the new-born King  
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

Christ the new-born King  
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  
Christ the new-born King  
Come and worship,  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

### **While Shepherds Watched (7)**

While shepherds watch'd  
their flocks by night,  
All seated on the ground,  
The angel of the Lord came down,  
And glory shone around.

"Fear not, " said he, for mighty dread  
Had seized their troubled mind;  
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
To you and all mankind."

"To you, in David's town this day,  
Is born of David's line  
A Saviour who is Christ the Lord,

And this shall be the sign:

The heav'nly Babe you there shall find  
To human view displayed,  
All meanly wrapped in swaddling bands,  
And in a manger laid."

Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith  
appeared a shining throng  
of angels praising God, who thus  
addressed their joyful song:

'All glory be to God on high,  
and to the earth be peace;  
goodwill henceforth from highest heaven  
begin and never cease!'

## **Luke 2:1-7**

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. And all went to be registered, each to his own town. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child.

And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

### **The First Nowell (5)**

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

They looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the East beyond them far  
And to the earth it gave great light  
And so it continued both day and night  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell  
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  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell  
Born is the King of Israel!

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

Then entered in those Wise men three  
Full reverently upon their knee  
And offered there in His presence  
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell  
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  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell  
Born is the King of Israel!

### **Short Talk - Andrew**

### **O Come All Ye Faithful (verses 1-3 only) (12)**

O come, all ye faithful,  
joyful and triumphant!  
O 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!

God of God,  
Light of Light,  
Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
Very God,  
begotten, not created  
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 citizens of heav'n above:  
"Glory to God,  
in the highest!"  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
Christ, the Lord!

**Hark the Herald Angels Sing (10)**

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 the 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 the Virgin's womb  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see  
Hail the incarnate Deity  
Pleased as man with man 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 we no more may die,  
born to raise the sons of earth,

born to give us second birth.  
Hark! the herald angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King!

**Blessing** – Andrew

**Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.

**Joy to the World** (11)

Joy to the world! The Lord has come  
Let earth receive her King!  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And heav'n and nature sing

And heav'n and nature sing  
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing

Joy to the world! The Saviour reigns  
Let us our 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.



Goodnight, and have a blessed Christmas