

Song Lyrics for Dec. 17, 2023

#108 The First Nowell

Verse 1

The first Nowell the angel 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

Chorus

Nowell Nowell Nowell Nowell
Born is the King of Israel

Verse 2

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

Verse 3

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

#138 What Child Is This?

Verse 1

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

Verse 2

Why lies He in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding
Good Christian fear for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading

Verse 3

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

#121 Angels We Have Heard On High

Verse 1

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

Chorus

Gloria
In excelsis Deo
Gloria
In excelsis Deo

Verse 2

Shepherds why this jubilee
Why your joyous strains prolong
Say what may the tidings be
Which inspire your heav'nly song

Verse 3

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