

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

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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
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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

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"Fear not", then said the angel
"Let nothing you affright
This day is born a Savior
Of virtue, power, and might
So frequently to vanquish all
The friends of Satan quite"

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The shepherds at those tidings
Rejoiced much in mind
And left their flocks a-feeding
In tempest, storm, and wind
And went to Bethlehem straightway
This blessed babe to find

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But when to Bethlehem they came
Whereat this infant lay
They found him in a manger
Where oxen feed on hay
His mother Mary kneeling
Unto the Lord did pray

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Now to the Lord sing praises
All you within this place

And with true love and brotherhood
Each other now embrace
This holy tide of Christmas
All others doth deface

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