

# God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

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1. God rest you mer-ry, gen-tle-men, Let noth-ing you dis-may,  
*mf* 2. In Beth-le-hem in Jew-ry, This bless-ed Babe was born,  
 3. From God our Heav'nly Fa-ther, A bless-ed An-gel came;

Re-mem-ber Christ our Sav-ior Was born on Christmas Day,  
 And laid with-in a man-ger, Up-on this bless-ed Morn;  
 And un-to cer-tain Shep-herds Brought ti-dings of the same;

To save us all from Sa-tan's pow'r When we were gone a-stray;  
 The which His Moth-er Ma-ry, Did noth-ing take in scorn.  
 How that in Beth-le-hem was born The Son of God by Name.

*ff* O- tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O- tidings of comfort and joy.

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4. "Fear not then," said the An - gel, "Let noth-ing you af - fright,  
 5. The shepherds at those ti - dings Re - joic - ed much in mind,  
 6. And when they came to Beth - le - hem Where our dear Sav - ior lay,  
 7. Now to the Lord sing prais - es, All you with - in this place,

This day is born a Sav - ior Of a pure Vir - gin bright,  
 And left their flocks a - feed - ing, In tempest, storm, and wind:  
 They found Him in a man - ger, Where ox - en feed on hay;  
 And with true love and bro - therhood Each oth - er now em - brace;

To free all those who trust in Him From Sa - tan's pow'r and might."  
 And went to Beth - le - hem straight way, The Son of God to find.  
 His Moth - er Ma - ry kneel - ing down, Un - to the Lord did pray.  
 This ho - ly tide of Christ - mas All oth - er doth de - face.

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