

SONGS *of*
CHRISTMAS



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THE ANGEL'S SONG

LUKE 2:6-20

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⁶ And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. ⁷ 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. ⁸ And in the same region there were **shepherds** out in the field, **keeping watch over their flock by night.**

LUKE 2:6-20

⁹ And an **angel of the Lord** appeared to them, and the **glory of the Lord shone around them**, and they were **filled with great fear**. ¹⁰ And the angel said to them, “**FEAR NOT**, for behold, I bring you **good news of great joy** that will be for **all the people**.”

¹¹ For **unto YOU** is born this day in the city of David a **Savior**, who is **Christ** the Lord.

LUKE 2:6-20

¹² And this will be a **sign for you**: you will find a baby wrapped in **swaddling cloths** and lying in a manger.” ¹³ And **suddenly** there was, with the angel, a **multitude of the heavenly host praising God** and saying, ¹⁴ **“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”**

LUKE 2:6-20

¹⁵ When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “**Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.**” ¹⁶ And they went **with haste** and **found Mary and Joseph**, and the baby lying in a manger. ¹⁷ And when they saw it ...

LUKE 2:6-20

they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child.¹⁸ And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them.¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart.²⁰ And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.



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THE ANGELS SONG
CONQUERS OUR FEARS.

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*Our fear of the mundane,
rejection and the dark.*



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1. FEAR OF THE MUNDANE



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*“most of the time they were dishonest and
thieving; they led their herds onto other people's
land and pilfered the produce of the land.”*

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1. FEAR OF THE MUNDANE

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God delights in using the common.

*Christ by highest heav'n adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come
Offspring of a Virgin's womb.*

VEILED IN FLESH

the Godhead see

Hail the incarnate Deity

*Pleased as man with man to dwell
Jesus, our Emmanuel.*



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2. FEAR OF REJECTION

LUKE 2:10-11

¹⁰ And the angel said to them, “**FEAR NOT**, for behold, I bring you **good news of great joy [EVANGELIZO]** that will be for **ALL THE PEOPLE**. ¹¹ For **unto YOU** is born this day in the city of David a **Savior**, who is **Christ** the Lord.



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3. FEAR OF DARK ... NESS



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Light dissolves fear and anxiety.

ISAIAH 9:2

The people who walked in **darkness** have seen a **great light**; those who dwelt in a land of deep **darkness**, on them has **light shone**.

Isaiah goes on to prophecy the nature of the Messiah.

ISAIAH 9:6-7

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 Counselor,**
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
7 of the **increase** of His **government** and of **peace**
there **will be no end**, on the throne of David and
over His kingdom ...

ISAIAH 9:6-7

to **establish it** and to **uphold it** with **justice** and
with **righteousness** from this **time forth** and
forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will
do this.

*Adam's likeness, Lord, efface,
Stamp Thine image in its place:
Second Adam from above,
Reinstate us in Thy love.
Let us Thee, though lost, regain,
Thee, the Life, the inner man:
Oh, to all Thyself impart,
Formed in each believing heart.*



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4. WE ARE INVITED
TO BECOME
STORYTELLERS

LUKE 2:17-18

¹⁷ And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. ¹⁸ And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them.

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