

# A CHRISTMAS HYMN

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(ref: Luke 9:39-40)

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*slowly (d=60)*

sta-ble lamp is light-ed now, as at the end-ing, Whose glow shall wake the sky; The stars shall bend their

voic-es and ev-ery stone shall cry. And ev-ery stone shall cry. And In

straw like gold shall shine; A barn shall har-bor heav-en, A stall be-

prais-es of the child By whose de-cent a-mong us The worlds be-

come re-con-ciled.

1. 2. 3.

4. But

2. This child through David's city  
Shall ride in triumph by;  
The palm shall strew its branches  
And every stone shall cry.  
And every stone shall cry,  
Though heavy, dull, and dumb,  
And lie within the roadway  
To pave his kingdom come.

3. Yet he shall be forsaken,  
And yielded up to die,  
The sky shall groan and darken,  
And every stone shall cry.  
And every stone shall cry  
For stony hearts of men:  
God's blood upon the spearhead,  
God's love refused again.

# THE BABE OF BETHLEHEM

ANONYMOUS, adapted

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The musical score consists of five staves of handwritten music for voice and piano. The key signature is G major (one sharp). The time signature varies between common time and 3/4. The vocal line includes lyrics in both English and French ("Noël"). The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with bass notes and chords. The score is dated December 1971.

1. A Babe is born in Beth-le-hem, In hum-ble man-ger low; The  
2. A Sav-ior! mor-tals all a-round, Sing, shout the won-drous word; Let

Son of God in flesh is come Sal-va-tion to be-stow.  
ev-ry bo-som hail the sound, A Sav-ior Christ the Lord. NO-

EL, NO- EL NOW SING THE SAV-IOR GIV'N, ALL

HAIL HIS COM-ING DOWN TO EARTH WHO RAIS-ES US TO HEAV'N

3. For not to sit on Da-vid's throne  
With loft-y pomp and pride.  
He came for sin-ners to a-tone  
To ex-al-ta-tion guide.

4. Well may we sing a Sav-ior's birth  
Who need the grace so giv'n,  
And hail His com-ing down to earth,  
Who rais-es us to Heav'n.

# AWAY IN A MANGER

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*With simplicity*

1. A-way in a manger no crib for a bed, the little Lord Je-sus laid down his sweet head the  
2. The cattle are lowing, the ba-by a-wakes, but little Lord Je-sus, no cry-ing he makes. I  
3. Be near me, Lord Je-sus, I ask thee to stay close by me for-e-ver, and love me. I pray, bless

STARS IN THE SKY LOOKED DOWN WHERE HE LAY, THE LITTLE LORD JE-SUS A- SLEEP ON THE HAY.  
LOVE THEE, LORD JE-SUS, LOOK DOWN FROM THE SKY, AND STAY BY MY CRA-DLE TILL MORNING IS NIGH.  
ALL THE DEAR CHILDREN IN THY TEN-DER CARE, AND FIT US FOR HEAVEN TO LIVE WITH THEE THERE.

\*Play the "A" on verses 1 and 2; the "F#" on verse 3.

