

# 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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