

## O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

(1) O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
Come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels:

(chorus) O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord.

(2) Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
Sing all ye bright hosts of heaven above;  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest:

(3) Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,  
Born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:

## IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR

(1) It came upon the midnight clear,  
That glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth  
To touch their harps of gold:  
“Peace on the earth, good will to men,  
From heaven’s all gracious King!”  
The world in solemn stillness lay  
To hear the angels sing.

(2) Still thru the cloven skies they come,  
With peaceful wings unfurled,  
And still their heavenly music floats  
O’er all the weary world:  
Above its sad and lowly plains,  
They bend on hovering wing,  
And ever o’er its Babel sounds,  
The blessed angels sing.

(3) And ye, beneath life’s crushing load,  
Whose forms are bending low,  
Who toil along the climbing way  
With painful steps and slow,  
Look now! For glad and golden hours  
Come swiftly on the wing:  
O rest beside the weary road  
And hear the angels sing.

(4) For lo, the days are hastening on,  
By prophet bards foretold,  
When with the ever-circling years  
Comes round the age of gold;  
When peace shall over all the earth  
Its ancient splendors fling,  
And the whole world give back the song  
Which now the angels sing.

**Special Music**  
**“Redeeming Love”**  
by **Bill & Gloria Gaither**

- (1) From God’s heaven to a manger,  
From great riches to the poor -  
Came the holy Son of God, a little Child;  
From the azure halls of heaven,  
To a lowly manger stall,  
Jesus came, and here He gave His life for all.
- (Chorus) Redeeming love, a love that knows  
no limits;  
Redeeming love, a love that never dies;  
My soul shall sing throughout the  
endless ages,  
The adoration of this great love on high.
- (2) From a loving heavenly Father,  
To a world that knew Him not -  
Came a man of sorrows: Jesus Christ, the Lord;  
In my wandering Jesus found me,  
Touched my life with His great love,  
And this Babe has grown to be my  
sovereign Lord!

**TRUST AND OBEY**

- (1) When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word,  
What a glory He sheds on our way!  
While we do His good will, He abides with us still,  
And with all who will trust and obey.
- (chorus) Trust and obey – for there’s no other way.  
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.
- (2) Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies,  
But His smile quickly drives it away;  
Not a doubt nor a fear, not a sigh nor a tear,  
Can abide while we trust and obey.
- (3) Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,  
But our toil He doth richly repay;  
Not a grief nor a loss, not a frown nor a cross,  
But is blest if we trust and obey.
- (4) But we never can prove the delights of His love,  
Until all on the altar we lay,  
For the favor He shows, and the joy He bestows,  
Are for them who will trust and obey.
- (5) Then in fellowship sweet, we will sit at His feet,  
Or we’ll walk by His side in the way;  
What He says we will do,  
Where He sends we will go -  
Never fear, only trust and obey.

**SERMON OUTLINE - “Joseph: Chosen by God”**  
**Matthew 1:18-15 & Luke: 2:1-39**

Intro:

I. Joseph Was Not Chosen Because He Was a “Great Man”

A. His person

B. His place

C. His occupation

D. His faith

II. Joseph Was a Man of Care/Concern

A. For Mary

B. For Jesus

III. Joseph’s Willingness to Sacrifice

A. His reputation

B. His finances

C. His safety

Conclusion: why was Joseph willing to do God’s will?

1. He was a just man
2. He was an obedient follower of God
3. He was a compassionate man