

ANGELS FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY

- (1) Angels from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story,
Now proclaim Messiah's birth:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

- (2) Shepherds, in the fields abiding,
Watching o'er their flocks by night,
God with man is now residing,
Yonder shines the infant light:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

- (3) Sages, leave your contemplations,
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of nations,
Ye have seen His natal star:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

- (4) Saints before the altar bending,
Watching long in hope and fear,
Suddenly the Lord, descending,
In His temple shall appear:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

- (1) Angels we have heard on high,
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply,
Echoing their joyous strains.

- (refrain) Gloria in excelsis Deo!
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- (2) Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?

- (3) Come to Bethlehem and see,
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King!

- (4) See Him in the manger laid,
Jesus, Lord of heaven and earth;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
With us sing our Savior's birth.

AS WITH GLADNESS, MEN OF OLD

Special Music: “The Birthday of a King”

(1) In a little village of Bethlehem
There lay a child one day,
And the sky was bright
With a holy light,
O'er the place where Jesus lay.

(refrain) Alleluia! O how the angels sang!
Alleluia! How it rang!
And the sky was bright
With a holy light!
‘Twas the birthday of the King!

(2) ‘Twas a humble birthplace,
But O how much,
God gave to us that day;
From the manger bed
What a path has led -
What a perfect, holy way.

(1) As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold -
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright -
So, most gracious Lord, may we
Evermore be led to Thee.

(2) As with joyful steps they sped
To that lowly manger bed,
There to bend the knee before
Him whom heaven and earth adore,
So, may we with willing feet
Ever seek Thy mercy seat.

(3) As they offered gifts most rare,
At that manger rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy
Pure and free from sin’s alloy,
All our costliest treasurers bring,
Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King.

(4) Holy Jesus, every day,
Keep us on the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last,
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

SERMON OUTLINE - “The Generosity of Christmas”

Acts 20:35

IV. Mary – The Gift of Her Future – Luke 1:26-38

Intro:

I. The Magi – Practical Gifts – Matthew 2:11

V. Jesus – The Gift of His Life – Mark 10:45; John 15:13-16

II. The Shepherds – The Gift of Time – Luke 2:15-17

VI. God the Father – His Most Precious Possession
John 3:16

III. Joseph – The Gift of Reputation – Matthew 1:18-24

Conclusion: