

JOY TO THE WORLD

- (1) Joy to the world! The Lord is come!
Let earth receive her king!
Let every heart, prepare Him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.
- (2) Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
- (3) No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.
- (4) He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove,
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love
And wonders, wonders of His love.

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

- (1) Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild -
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"
- (2) Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord;
Late in time behold Him come,
Off-spring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the God-head see,
Hail the Incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"
- (3) Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light & life to all He brings, Risen with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by, Born that men no more may die;
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"
- (4) Come, Desire of Nations, come!
Fix in us Thy humble home;
Rise, the woman's conquering seed,
Bruise in us the serpent's head.
Adam's likeness now efface,
Stamp Thine image in it's place;
Second Adam from above, Reinstatate us in Thy love.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

I HEARD THE BELLS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

- (1) I heard the bells on Christmas Day,
Their old familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet the words repeat,
Of peace on earth, good-will to men.
- (2) I thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom,
Had rolled along the unbroken song,
Of peace on earth, good-will to men.
- (3) And in despair I bowed my head:
“There is no peace on earth”, I said.
“For hate is strong, and mocks the song,
Of peace on earth, good-will to men.
- (4) The pealed the bells more loud and deep,
“God is not dead: nor doth He sleep,
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,
With peace on earth, good-will to men.”
- (5) Till ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day -
A voice, a chime, a chant sublime,
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Special Music: “Love Was When”

- (1) Love was when God became a man,
Locked in time and space without rank or place;
Love was God born of Jewish kin,
Just a carpenter with some fishermen.
Love was when Jesus walked in history,
Lovingly He brought a new life’s that free;
Love was God nailed to bleed and die,
To reach and love one such as I
- (2) Love was when God became a man,
Down where I could see love that reached to me;
Love was God dying for my sin,
And so trapped was I my whole world caved in.
Love was when Jesus rose to walk with me -
Lovingly He brought a new life that’s free;
Love was God – only He would try,
To reach and love one such as I.

TRUSTING JESUS

- (1) Simply trusting every day,
Trusting thru a stormy way;
Even when my faith is small,
Trusting Jesus – that is all.

- (chorus) Trusting as the moments fly,
Trusting as the days go by;
Trusting Him whatever befall;
Trusting Jesus – that is all.

- (2) Brightly doth His Spirit shine
Into this poor heart of mine;
While He leads I cannot fall,
Trusting Jesus – that is all.

- (3) Singing if my way is clear,
Praying if the path be drear,
If in danger, for Him call,
Trusting Jesus – that is all.

- (4) Trusting Him while life shall last,
Trusting Him till earth be past;
Till within the jasper wall,
Trusting Jesus – that is all.

SERMON OUTLINE The Anticipation of Simeon Luke 2:21-35

Intro:

I. A Man of Faith – vs. 25-27

II. A Man of Hope – vs. 26

III. A Man of Vision – vs. 27-32

IV. A Man with a Message – vs. 33-35

Conclusion: