

# While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

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from the *Sacred Harp*

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the an - gel of the Lord came down, and glor - - y  
Good - will hence-forth from Heav'n to men Be - gin and

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Lord came down, and glor - - y shone a - round, and glor - - y  
Heav'n to men Be - gin and nev - er cease. Be - gin and

glor - - y shone a - round, and glor - - - - - y  
gin and nev - er cease. Be - gin and

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2. Fear not, said he, for mighty dread  
 Had seized their troubled mind,  
 Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
 To you and all mankind.

3. To you in David's town this day  
 Is born of David's line  
 A Saviour, which is Christ the Lord;  
 And this shall be the sign.

4. The heavenly Babe you there shall find,  
 To human view display'd,  
 All meanly wrapt in swaddling bands  
 And in a manger laid.

5. Thus spake the Seraph, and forthwith  
 Appeared a heavenly throng  
 Of Angels praising God, and thus  
 Address'd their joyful song: