

# God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

TRADITIONAL

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1: God rest you mer-ry, gentle-men, let noth-ing you dis - may, Re - mem-ber Christ our  
2: In Beth-le - hem, in Ju - dah, this bless-ed Babe was born, And laid with - in a  
2: From God our heav'nly Fa - ther a bless-ed an - gel came; And un - to cer - tain

Sa - viour was born on Christmas Day; To save us all from Sa - tan's power when  
man - ger u - pon this bless - ed morn; The which His moth-er Ma - ry did  
shep - herds brought ti-dings of the same; How that in Beth-le - hem was born the

we were gone a - stray. O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy; O tidings of comfort and joy.  
nothing take in scorn.  
Son of God by name.

4. "Fear not," then said the angel, "Let nothing you affright  
This day is born a Saviour of a pure Virgin bright,  
To free all those who trust in Him from Satan's power and might."  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy;  
O tidings of comfort and joy.

5. The shepherds at those tidings rejoiced much in mind,  
And left their flocks a-feeding in tempest, storm and wind,  
And went to Bethlehem straightaway the Son of God to find.  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy;  
O tidings of comfort and joy.

6. And when they came to Bethlehem where our dear Savior lay,  
They found Him in a manger where oxen feed on hay;  
His mother Mary kneeling unto the Lord did pray.  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy;  
O tidings of comfort and joy.

7. 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.  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy;  
O tidings of comfort and joy.

8. God bless the ruler of this house, and send him long to reign,  
And many a merry Christmas may live to see again;  
Among your friends and kindred that live both far and near  
That God send you a happy new year, happy new year,  
And God send you a happy new year.