

# How Blest Were They on Bethlehem's Plain

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1. How blest were they on Beth - lehem's plain, Be - neath the  
 2. "Fear not, for on this ho - ly morn Good news to  
 3. Then sud - den - ly a heaven - ly band Join in the  
 4. And thus the joy - ful cho - rus ran— "Glo - ry to  
 5. Glad tid - ings! nor on Beth - lehem's plain A - lone that  
 6. And still to mil - lions yet un - born Shall sound from

mid - night sky, Who heard the an - gel's joy - ful strain, Who  
 all I bring; In Beth - lehem's low - ly shrine is born, In  
 an - gel's song, While rock and hill through Ju - dah's land While  
 God be given!, For peace on earth, good - will to man, For  
 song was sweet; Lo! mil - lions hail with joy the strain, Lo!  
 shore to shore The song, which waked that ho - ly morn, The

heard the an - gel's joy - ful strain, And felt that Heaven was  
 Beth - lehem's low - ly shrine is born, Je - sus, the in - fant  
 rock and hill through Ju - dah's land The notes of praise pro -  
 peace on earth, good - will to man, De - scend to him from  
 mil - lions hail with joy the strain, And seek the Sav - ior's  
 song, which waked that ho - ly morn, Till time shall be no

nigh, That Heaven was nigh.  
 King, The in - fant King."  
 - long, Of praise pro - long.  
 Heaven, To him from Heaven."  
 feet, The Sav - ior's feet.  
 more! Shall be no more!