

Christmas Day

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1st Q. Un - der cold De - cem-ber skies, Ver - dant na - ture frost-bound lies,
1st A. Na - ture's bonds of ice and snow Melt be - neath the sun's warm glow—
2nd Q. Why do you so ve - ry long Keep His birth - day when He's gone?
2nd A. Pro - mised long, God's on - ly Son Bless-ing brought to ev - ery one;

Lend - ing nei - ther charm nor grace To this fest - ive, hap - py place.
Long a - go, and far a - way, Christ was born on Christ - mas day.
Give to oth - ers what you bring On the birth-day of a king?
May we long re - mem - ber Him In the off' - 'ings that we bring.

Tell me, then, O what is this— Charms the sens - es, lights the face?
Wise men guid - ed by His star, Sought the Sav - ior from a - far.
Oth - er birth - days die with men, Why so long re - mem - ber Him?
He is with us, though a - way, Mak - ing glad the Christ - mas dy.

Why are all these pret - ty toys Rea - dy for the girls and boys?
Pre - cious offer - ings brought to Him, To the long - ex - pect - ed King.
Why the lone - some ev - er - green Bring to deck the Christ - mas scene?
In this change - less ev - er - green His un - chang - ing love is seen.

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On this mer-ry, mer-ry Christ-mas day, We come with hearts so light and gay;

Mer-ry, mer-ry Christ-mas we will sing, And grate-ful-ly our off'-rings bring. Hap-py hearts we

bring! Cheer-ful songs we sing! And mer-ri - ly the church bells ring; the church bells ring.