# **BIRTH OF JESUS MEDLEY**

"We Don't Have to Wait Any Longer"

We don't have to wait any longer For Christmas has come, for Christmas has come We don't have to wait any longer For Christmas has come, for Christmas has come in Jesus

## Reader 1:

"And it came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. ...

**Reader 2:** Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child."

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep The silent stars go by; Yet in thy dark streets shineth The everlasting Light;

The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee tonight.

### Reader 3:

"So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered.

**Reader 4:** And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

"Silent Night"

Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright Round yon virgin mother and child! Holy Infant so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

## Reader 5:

"Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.

**Reader 6:** And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid.

**Reader 7:** Then the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings

of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

**Reader 8:** And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

Angels we have heard on high, Sweetly singing o'er the plains: And the mountains in reply, Echoing their joyous strains. Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

### Reader 9:

"So it was, when the angels had gone away from them into heaven, that the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us.'

**Reader 10:** And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger."

"What Child Is This"

This, this is Christ, the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing: Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mary!

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord! O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

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