

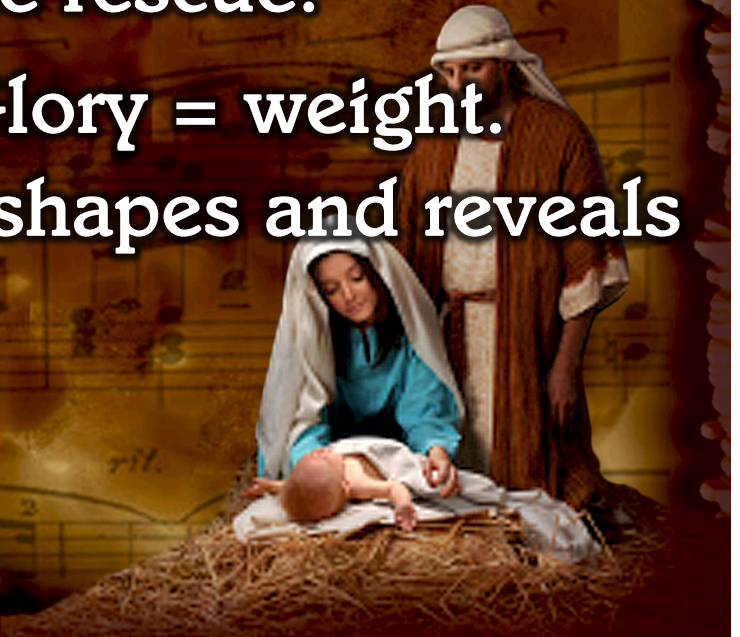
“Angels We Have Heard on High”
Luke 2:13-20

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- ❖ “Gloria in excelsis Deo” - Glory = weight. Therefore, what we glorify shapes and reveals our character.



Christmas Songs 2012

- ❖ O Come, O Come Emmanuel
- ❖ We Three Kings
- ❖ Hark the Herald Angels Sing
- ❖ Joy to the World



Christmas Songs 2014

- ❖ O Holy Night
- ❖ What Child Is This?
- ❖ Go Tell It on the Mountain



Christmas Songs in Luke

- ❖ Mary's (Luke 1:46-55)
- ❖ Zechariah's (Luke 1:68-79)
- ❖ Heavenly Host (Luke 2:14)
- ❖ Simeon (Luke 2:29-32)



Christmas Songs 2019

- ❖ O Come All Ye Faithful
- ❖ Mary, Did You Know?
- ❖ Angels We Have Heard on High
- ❖ I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day



O Come, All Ye Faithful

- ❖ Jesus is worthy of our worship.
- ❖ Jesus has invited us to come to him.
- ❖ The Lord has given us the faith we need.



Mary, Did You Know?

- ❖ Yes, she did know, but she had to keep learning it.
- ❖ Mary was the first Christian, and her experience is both unique and prototypical.
- ❖ Like Mary, we can expect the Lord to intervene in our lives.
 - ❖ To save us
 - ❖ To transform us
 - ❖ To equip us



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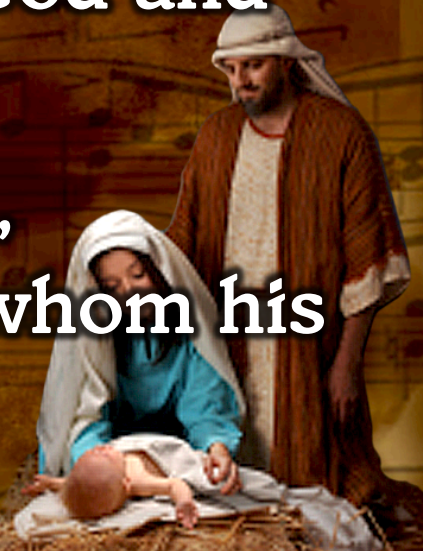
- ❖ Written in 1862 by Bishop James Chadwick
- ❖ Adapted from a French carol



Luke 2:13-14

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to those on whom his
favor rests.”



Verse 1

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly swinging o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains

[Chorus]

Gloria In Excelsis Deo

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Luke 2:15

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”



Verse 2

Shepherds why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
Say what may the tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?



Luke 2:16

So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.



Luke 2:17-18

When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.



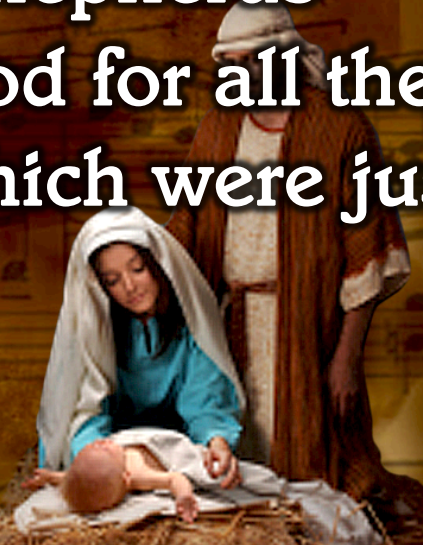
Verse 3

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him Whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King



Luke 2:19-20

But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.



Verse 4

See within in a manger laid
Jesus Lord of heav'n and earth
Mary, Joseph lend your aid
With us sing our Savior's birth



Jesus:

- ❖ Christ the Lord
- ❖ The newborn king
- ❖ Jesus Lord of heaven and earth
- ❖ Our Savior



Chorus

Gloria In Excelsis Deo
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[glory in the highest to God]



Glory

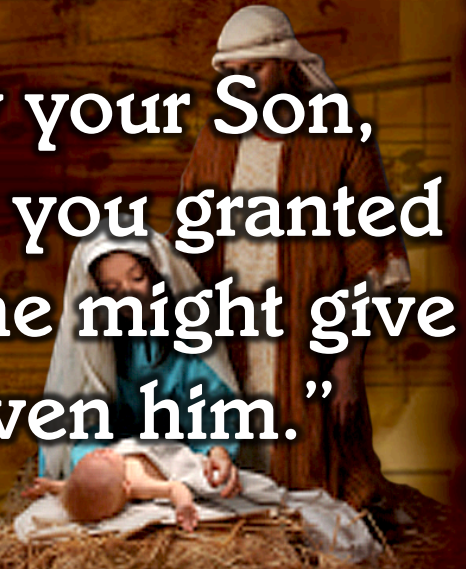
- ❖ Intrinsic to God's nature
- ❖ Sometimes on display
- ❖ Accompanied the incarnation of Jesus
- ❖ Our heavenly destiny



John 17:1-2

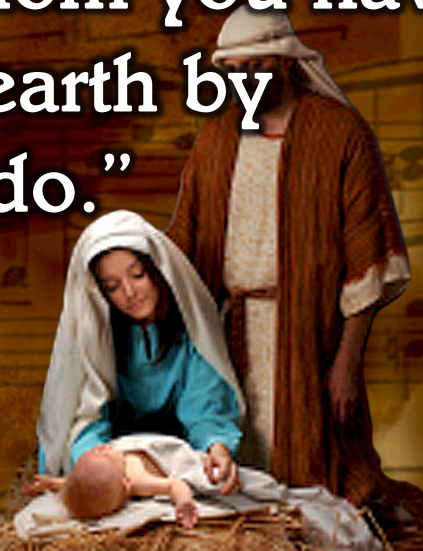
After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:

“Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him.”



John 17:3-4

“Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do.”



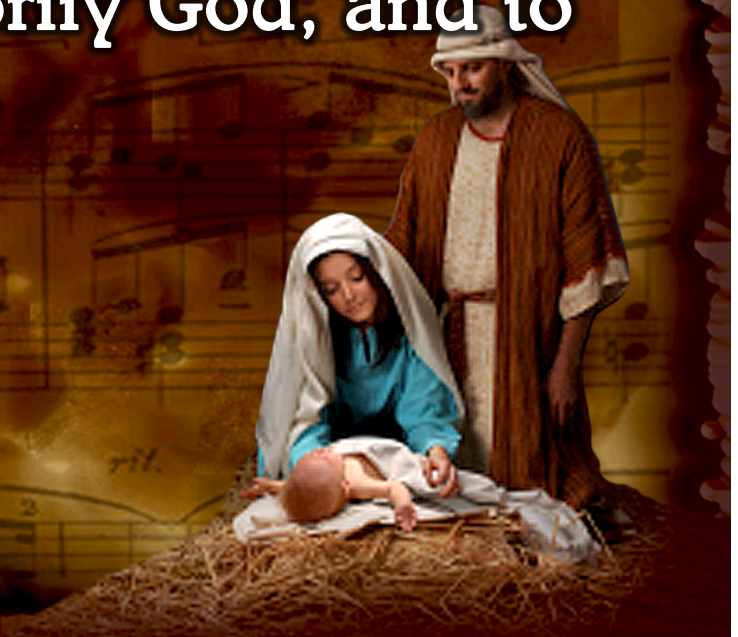
John 17:5

And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.



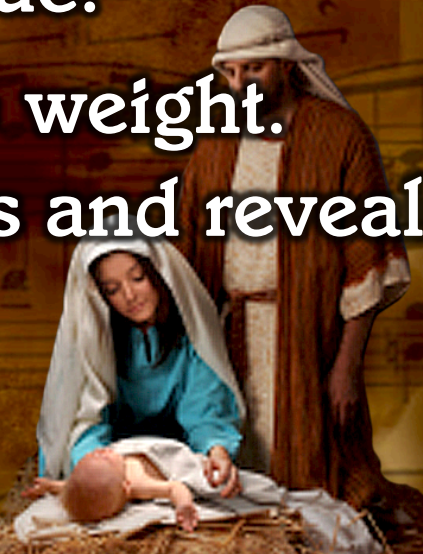
Westminster Shorter Catechism (1647)

- ❖ Q: What is the chief end of man?
- ❖ A. Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.



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Are you being called?

- ❖ To receive Christ
- ❖ To become a member of Melbourne Community Church
- ❖ To pray / to receive prayer
- ❖ To affirm or reaffirm a commitment
- ❖ To receive the Lord's Supper

