Hark, the Herald Angels Sing

Words by Charles Wesley, 1739
Music by Felix Mendelssohn, 1840

1. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King;
   Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
   Joyful all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies,
   With the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Beth-lehem."

2. Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ, the ever-lasting Lord;
   Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of a virgin's womb.
   Veiled in flesh the God-head see, Hail th'incarnate Deity!
   Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel.

3. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
   Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with healing in His wings.
   Mild he lays His glory by, Born that man no more may die;
   Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth.

4. Come, Desire of Nations, come! Fix in us Thy humble home:
   Rise, the woman's con-qu'ring seed, Bruise in us the serpent's head.
   Ad'am's likeness now ef-face, Stamp Thine image in it's place.
   Second Ad'am from above, Re-instate us in Thy love.