

St. Paul's Notes

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

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Luke 2:8-20

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Hark! the herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!

A Command

What is glory?

Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled

"Suddenly a great company of heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!" Luke 2:13-14

How did we get separated from God?

"Surely the arm of the Lord is not too short to save, nor His ear to dull to hear. But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear." Isaiah 59:1-2

"All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself in Christ." 2 Corinthians 5:18

Joyful, all ye nations rise
Join the triumph of the skies
With the angelic host proclaim:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem"

"Christ" -

Christ by highest heav'n adored
Christ the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come
Offspring of a Virgin's womb

Veiled in flesh the Godhead see
Hail the incarnate Deity
Pleased as man with man to dwell
Jesus, our Emmanuel

"He is the image of the invisible God the firstborn over all creation." Colossians 1:15

"And the Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth." John 1:14

Emmanuel means:

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Son of Righteousness!

"For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6 (KJV)

"Behold, the days are coming," says the LORD, "That I will raise to David a Branch of righteousness; A King shall reign and prosper, And execute judgment and righteousness in the earth. 6 In His days Judah will be saved, And Israel will dwell safely; Now this is His name by which He will be called: THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS." Jeremiah 23:5-6 (KJV)

Righteousness means:

"All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away." Isaiah 64:6

Light and life to all He brings
Ris'n with healing in His wings

"Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12

Mild He lays His glory by

What does it mean that Jesus laid His glory by?

"Who, being in the very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in the appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to death – even death on a cross!" Philippians 2:6-8

Born that man no more may die
Born to raise the sons of earth
Born to give them second birth

Why was He was born?

John 3:1-7

"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?'"
John 11:25-26

Do you believe this?