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James Montgomery was born in Ayrshire, Scotland, the son of missionaries. He spent most of his working life as a journalist and editor; he moved to Sheffield, England, and in 1794, took charge of local newspaper 'The Sheffield Iris.'

Montgomery is best known for his hymns and poems, especially this popular carol; but in his day he was also associated with social reform movements, such as campaigns to end slavery and prevent children from working as chimney sweeps. His outspoken views led to two prison sentences.

This carol is often sung to the tune 'Iris' - also available at The Sheet Music Stack.



Version: Lead sheet (melody and chords) with lyrics

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Musical score for 'Angels from the realms of glory' in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. The score consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are: 'An-gels from the realms of glo-ry, Wing your flight o'er all the earth.' The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: 'Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry Now pro-claim Mes - si - ah's birth.' The third staff is marked 'Chorus' and ends with a double bar line. Lyrics: 'Come and wor-ship, come and wor-ship, wor-ship Christ, the newborn King.' Chords are indicated above the notes: F, C7, Dm, C7, A7, Bb, F, C, F, Dm, G7, D7, G7, C7, F, Bb, C, A7, G7, C7, F.

*Shepherds in the field abiding  
Watching o'er your flocks by night.  
God with man is now residing,  
Yonder shines the infant light.*

## Chorus

*Saints before the altar bending  
Watching long in hope and fear,  
Suddenly the Lord, descending,  
In his temple shall appear.*

## Chorus

*Saints and angels join in praising  
Thee, the Father, Spirit, Son;  
Evermore their voices raising  
To the eternal Three in One.*

## Chorus

*Come and worship; Come and worship;  
Worship Christ, the new-born King!*