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 God rest you merry, gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay; Remember Christ our Saviour Was born on Christmas day; To save us all from Satan's power When we were gone astray;

#### Chorus:

*O*, tidings of comfort and joy, Comfort and joy, *O*, tidings of comfort and joy!

2. In Bethlehem, in Jewry, This blesséd babe was born. And laid within a manger, Upon this blesséd morn; The which his mother, Mary, Did nothing take in scorn.

#### Chorus

 From God our heavenly father, A blesséd angel came; And unto certain shepherds Brought tidings of the same; How that in Bethlehem was born The Son of God by name;

#### Chorus

 "Fear not, then," said the angel, "Let nothing you afright, This day is born a Saviour Of a pure virgin bright, To free all those who trust in him From Satan's power and might,"

#### Chorus

5. The shepherds at those tidings Rejoiced much in mind, And left their flocks a-feeding In tempest, storm and wind; And went to Bethlehem straightway, The Son of God to find.

#### Chorus

6. And when they came to Bethlehem Where our dear saviour lay, They found him in the manger, Where oxen feed on hay; His mother Mary kneeling down Unto the Lord did pray.

#### Chorus

7. Now to the Lord sing praises, All you within this place, And with true love and brotherhood Each other now embrace; This holy tide of Christmas All other doth deface.

Chorus