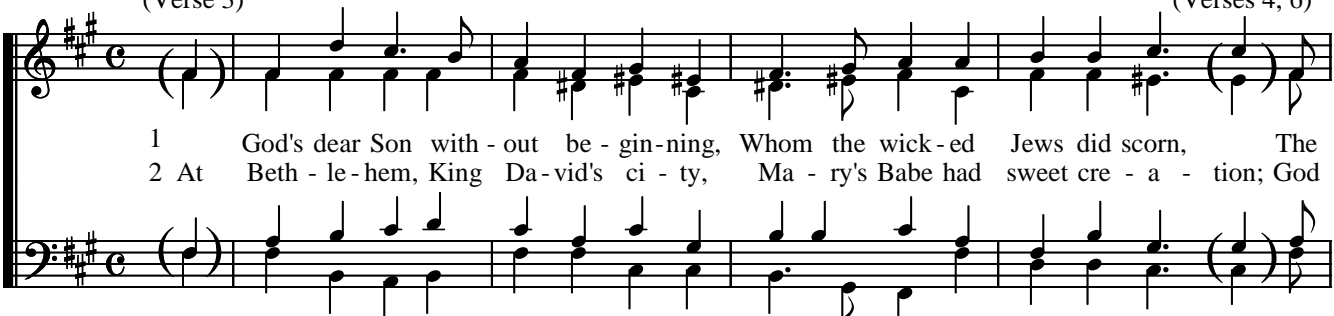


God's dear Son

Words traditional

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(Verse 3) (Verses 4, 6)




1 God's dear Son with - out be - gin - ning, Whom the wick - ed Jews did scorn, The
2 At Beth - le - hem, King Da - vid's ci - ty, Ma - ry's Babe had sweet cre - a - tion; God


(Verses 4, 6)



on - ly wise with - out all sin - ning, On this bless - ed day was born; To
and man en - du - ed with pi - ty, And a Sav - iour of each na - tion. Yet



save us all from sin and thrall, When we in Sa - tan's chains were bound, And
Jew - ry land with cru - el hand Both first and last his pow - er env - ied; Where



shed his blood to do us good, With ma - ny a pur - ple bleed - ing wound.
he was born they did him scorn, And shewed him mal - ice when he died.

3 No kingly robes nor golden treasure
Decked the birthday of God's Son
No pompal train at all took pleasure
To this King of kings to run.
No mantle brave could Jesus have
Upon his cradle for to lie
No music's charms in nurse's arms,
To sing the babe a lullaby.

4 Yet as Mary sat in solace,
By our Saviour's first beginning,
Hosts of angels from God's palace
Sounded sweet from Heaven singing;
Yea, Heaven and earth, for Jesus' birth,
With sweet melodious tunes abound,
And everything for Jewry's King
Upon the earth gave cheerful sound.

5 Then with angels' love inspired,
Three wise princes from the East,
To Bethlehem as they desired,
Came whereas the Lord did rest:
And there they laid before the maid,
Before her Son, our God and King,
Their offerings sweet, as was most meet,
Unto so great a power to bring.

6 Now to him that hath redeemed us,
By his precious death and passion;
And us sinners so esteemed us,
To buy dearly this salvation.
Yield lasting fame, that still the name
Of Jesus may be honoured here;
And let us say that Christmas Day
Is still the best day in the year.