Joyful tidings of a Saviour

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1. Joyful tidings of a Saviour Came this day To the world, as in

darkness and sin it lay; Angel voices sang soft and clear,

Through the midnight air. The bells send forth their peaceful strain, And

tell that joyful news again, Far over the snow.

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Sweetly sing, then, with the Angels, Soft and clear; Let your voices be

beneath the chill night air; Carol softly, carol sweetly.

Peace proclaim Through the birth of a Saviour in Bethlehem.

2. Holy tributes to the manger
Let us bring,
Let us welcome the Saviour, our Lord and King;
While the earth with pure snow is clad
Let pure hearts be glad.
And bells ring out their joyful peal,
And Angel voices gently steal
Far through the still night.
REF: —Sweetly sing, etc.

3. Humbly sheltered in a stable
Jesus lay.
May He likewise be found in our hearts this day:
Holy Saviour, do Thou be near,
Bring Thou holy cheer;
And we will sing in glad accord
With joyful bells and Angels' word,
Both now and for aye.
REF: —Sweetly sing, etc.

(Source: Carols old and carols new, Boston, 1916)