Of the Father's love begotten

Christmas traditional

1. Of the Father's love begotten, Ere the worlds began to be, He the Alpha and Omega, He the Source, the Ending He, Of the things that are, that have been, And the future years shall see, Evermore and evermore.

2. He is here, whom seers of old time Chanted of, while ages ran; Whom the faithful word of Prophets, Promised since the world began; Long foretold, at length appearing, Praise Him, every child of man, Evermore and evermore!

3. Blessed was the day for ever, When, by God the Spirit's grace, From the womb of Virgin Mother, Came the Saviour of our race; When the Child, the world’s Redeemer, First displayed His sacred Face Evermore and evermore!

4. Praise Him, O ye heaven of heavens! Praise Him, Angels in the height! All dominions bow before Him, And exalt his boundless might. Let no tongue of man be silent, Let each voice and heart unite, Evermore and evermore!

5. Thee let old men, Thee let young men, Thee let boys in chorus sing. Matrons, virgins, little maidens With glad voices answering; Let their guileless song re-echo, And their heart its praises bring. Evermore and evermore!

6. Christ, to Thee, with God the Father, And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee, Hymn, and chant, and high thanksgiving, And unwearied praises be, Honour, glory, and dominion, And eternal victory, Evermore and evermore! Amen