When righteous Joseph

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1. When righteous Joseph wedded was To Israel's Hebrew maid, The

Angel Gabriel came from Heav'n, And to the Virgin said: "Hail,

blessed Mary, full of grace, The Lord remain in thee; Thou shalt conceive and

bear a Son, Our Saviour for to be": Then sing you all, both

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2. Thus Mary and her husband kind
   Together did remain,
   Until the time of Jesus' birth,
   As Scriptures doth make plain.
   As mother, wife, and virtuous maid,
   Our Saviour sweet conceived;
   And in due time to bring us him,
   Of whom we were bereaved:
   Then sing you all, both great and small,
   Now well, now well, now well;
   We may rejoice to hear the voice
   Of the Angel Gabriel.

3. Sing praises all, both young and old,
   To him that wrought such things;
   And all without the means of man,
   Sent us the King of kings,
   Who is of such a spirit blest,
   That with his might did quell
   The world, the flesh, and by his death
   Did conquer death and hell:
   Then sing you all, both great and small,
   Now well, now well, now well;
   We may rejoice to hear the voice
   Of the Angel Gabriel.