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# In Bethlehem city

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Harmony from  
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A1.

In Be - thle - hem ci - ty, on Chri - stmas - day morn, Lord

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In Be - thle - hem ci - ty, on Chri - stmas - day morn, Lord

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in a bare ca - vern thou wou - ldest be born; And

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fain in a shi - ppon\* 'mid o - xen to lie.

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1. In Bethlehem city, on Christmas-day morn  
 Lord in a bare cavern thou wouldst be born;  
 And thou, who for throne has the heaven on high,  
 Wast fain in a shippon\* 'mid oxen to lie.

2. And thou, whom Angelical troops ay surround,  
 By certain poor herdsmen didst deign to be found.  
 And this, of thy goodness, to rescue our race:  
 So sing we, "All glory, and thanks for thy grace."

3. And at the same season, behold from afar  
 There fared unto Bethlehem, led by a star,  
 Three princes of Saba, who knew by that sign  
 That born upon earth was a Monarch divine.

4. Choice treasure they bare thee, myrrh, incense and gold;  
 And though thou wert cradled 'mid beasts of the fold,  
 They knelt, for they saw, when they rend'red thee praise,  
 The Son of the Father, the Ancient of Days

*G R W from the Greek*

\* **shippon** = a cattle shed  
 (Old English with Germanic  
 connections - scypen)

