

# While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

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1. While shepherds watched their flocks by night, All seated  
2. "Fear not!" said he, for mighty dread Had seized their  
3. "To you, in David's town, this day Is born of  
4. "The heavenly Babe you there shall find To human  
5. Thus spake the seraph and forthwith Appeared a  
6. "All glory be to God on high, And to the



on the ground, The angel of the Lord came down, And  
troubled mind. "Glad tidings of great joy I bring To  
David's line A Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, And  
view displayed, All meanly wrapped in swaddling clothes, And  
shining throng Of angels praising God on high, Who  
Earth be peace; Good will henceforth from Heaven to men Be -



glory shone a-round, And glory shone a-round.  
you and all mankind To you and all mankind.  
this shall be the sign, And this shall be the sign.  
in a manger laid, And in a manger laid."  
thus addressed their song, Who thus addressed their song:  
-gin and never cease, Be - gin and never cease!"

