While Shepherds Watched their Flocks

1. While shepherds watched
   Their flocks by night
   All seated on the ground
   The angel of the Lord came down
   And glory shone around

2. Fear not," he said,
   For mighty dread
   Had seized their troubled minds
   Glad tidings of great joy I bring
   To you and all mankind,

3. To you in David’s
   Town this day
   Is born of David’s line
   The Savior who is Christ the Lord
   And this shall be the sign

4. The heavenly Babe
   You there shall find
   To human view displayed
   And meekly wrapped
   In swathing bands
   And in a manger laid

5. Thus spake the seraph,
   And forthwith
   Appeared a shining throng
   Of angels praising God, who thus
   Addressed their joyful song

6. All glory be to
   God on high
   And to the earth be peace;
   Goodwill henceforth
   From heaven to men
   Begin and never cease