

Glad Tidings
W. Bennett, 1885.
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While shepherds on the eastern plain
Were keeping faithful watch by night,
Loud bursts the soul-inspiring strain,
As Bethl'hem's star beamed on their sight.

Refrain

Glory to God! Glory to God!
Glory to God for redemption's plan;
Glory to God! Glory to God!
Glory to God and goodwill to man!

With winged speed, the angel choir,
Descending on their shining way,
Struck with new theme the tuneful lyre,
And night was turned to brightening day.

Refrain

"Glad tidings of great joy we bring,
Good news to you and all mankind;
In Bethlehem, lo! Christ your King,
Laid in a manger you shall find."

Refrain

Whilst listening to the rapturous song,
New voices mingled in the strain,
And suddenly the mighty throng,
Caught up the thrilling, glad refrain.

Refrain