

Good News from the Hills
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Good news from the hills of Judea,
Good news from the mountains of light;
The King in His beauty is here,
He came to His people last night!

Refrain

He is come! He is come!
Ring the bells! Ring the bells!
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Jesus Christ is come down,
Go, prepare Him a crown!
He is come! He is come!
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Is He come to the castle so grand,
To be feasted and honored today?
Is He come to the lords of the land?
Is He come to the bright and the gay?

Refrain

Jesus Christ is come down,
To a poor little town,

Is He come in His grandeur and pride,
To ride through the streets of the town,
With the princes and priests at His side,
And the soldiers defending His crown?

Refrain

In a cave cold and bare,
You will find the King there,

Have they dressed Him in purple and gold?
Have they laid Him within a soft bed,
Like the kings and the princes of old,
With a guard to watch over His head?

Refrain

He is laid in the grass,
With the ox and the ass,