

Reading #1

Nar I - Christmas time again...celebrations...family gatherings...Christmas carols...the birthday of a King. In all of these things we find the very spirit of christmas time...a joyous, happy time of year.

Nar II As Christians we focus on the birth of Christ and the magical story surrounding his birth. May this story touch your heart as it does mine, each and every year.

Nar I - A long time ago in Nazareth, a city of Galilee, Gabriel, an angel of the Lord, appeared to Mary, the espoused of Joseph.

Nar II "Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women."

Nar I - Mary was afraid and wondered what manner of salutation this should be.

Music #2 Who is There?

Who is there, ___ do I ___ know your name? Speak to me ___ tell me ___ of your

7 name. My name is Gab-ri-el, ___ an ang-el of the Lord, I

11 come to bring you news of such great joy! Fear not O Mar-y, ___ for un-to you one day, the

15 Sav-iour of the world, Je-sus Christ, the Prince of Peace, ___ will be born!

Reading #2

Nar I - Gabriel spoke once again,

Nar II - "Fear not, Mary; for thou hast found favour with God. And behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name, Jesus. He shall be great and be called the Son of the Highest. The Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father, David. And he shall reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his Kingdom there shall be no end."

Music #3 A Saviour to be Born

Slow n Bluesy 1st time
Up tempo 2nd time

The musical score is written for two voices in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of staves. The first system (measures 1-4) includes tempo markings and lyrics: 'Al - le - lu - ia, lift your voic-es high! Al - le - lu - ia, Je - sus Christ is nigh!'. The second system (measures 5-8) continues the lyrics: 'Al - le - lu - ia, Lift your voice in praise and sing,'. The third system (measures 9-12) includes the instruction 'To Coda' and lyrics: 'Al - le - lu - ia, light of the world is Jes - us Christ, a Sav - iour to be'. The fourth system (measures 13-16) includes the instruction 'D.C. al Coda' and lyrics: 'born! born! Sav - iour to be born!'. The score features various musical notations such as treble clefs, a key signature of one sharp (F#), a 4/4 time signature, and triplet markings over the first three notes of several phrases.

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5 Al - le - lu - ia, Lift your voice in praise and sing, _____

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7 Al - le - lu - ia, light of the world is Jes - us Christ, a Sav - iour to be *To Coda*

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10 1. *D.C. al Coda* *Coda* born! born! Sav - iour to be born! _____

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Reading #3

Nar I - And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a degree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. Joseph and Mary went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea unto Bethlehem, the city of David, as Joseph was of the house and lineage of David.

Music #4 The Town of David

Joseph

Lift your slee-py head, We're al-most there

Joseph

Ma-ry, don't you see the lights a-head? Soon, we'll be there, then we'll rest,

Joseph

There will be a place for us in the town of Da-vid, — Beth-le - hem.

Mary

Jo-seph, yes I see the lights a-head.

Mary

Can it real-ly be just up a-head? — Soon, we'll be there, then we'll rest,

Mary

up a-head, there'll be a place in the town of Da-vid, — Beth-le - hem.

Mary

25 **4**

Can it real-ly be, just up a-head,

Joseph

25 **4**

Mary

31

Twink-ling in the night, the lights a-head, yes, our jour-ney soon will end,

Joseph

31

Mary

34

guide us till our jour-ney ends — in the town — of Da-vid, — In the town of Da-vid, —

Joseph

34

Mary

37 **6**

In the town — of Da - vid, — Beth-le hem.

Joseph

37 **6**

Reading #4

Nar II - And so it was, that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. She brought forth her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them at the inn.