

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Isaiah 6:1-7

Psalm 29:2, *"Give unto the Lord the glory due to His name; Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness."*

John 1:14, *"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory."*

1.) The History of the Hymn

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Composer- Felix Mendelssohn

Arrangement- William Cummings

2.) The Theology of the Hymn

A.) Glorify Christ Because He Reconciles Us

Psalm 51:5, *"Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me."*

Job 14:4, *"Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? No one!"*

Job 15:14, *"What is man, that he could be pure? And he who is born of a woman, that he could be righteous?"*

***"Hark the Herald angles sing,
'Glory to the newborn king'"***

_Read Luke 2:8-14

***"Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."***

2 Corinthians 5:14-19, "**14** For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; **15** and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again. **16** Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer. **17** Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. **18** Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, **19** that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation."

**"Joyful all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies.
With angelic host proclaim:
'Christ is born in Bethlehem'"**

Matthew 2:6, "'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, Are not the least among the rulers of Judah; For out of you shall come a Ruler Who will shepherd My people Israel.'

B.) Glorify Christ Because He is Emmanuel

**"Christ by highest heaven adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord."**

1 Corinthians 2:2, "For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified."

Revelation 7:9-10, "After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, **10** and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

**"Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of a Virgin's womb."**

Galatians 4, "**4** *But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law*"

***"Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail the incarnate Deity.
Pleased as man with men to dwell
Jesus our Emmanuel."***

Matthew 1:23, "**23** *"Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us.*

C.) Glorify Christ Because He Raises Us.

***"Hail, the heav'n born prince of peace!
Hail the Sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Ris'n with healing in His wings."

"Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth."***

D.) Glorify Christ Because He Restores Us.

***"Come, Desire of nations, come,
Fix in us Thy humble home.
Rise, the woman's conqu'ring Seed,
Bruise in us the serpent's head."***

Genesis 3:15. *"I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel!"*

***"Now display Thy saving power,
Ruined nature now restore
Now in mystic union join
Thine to ours, and ours to Thine."***

E.) Glorify Christ Because He Remakes Us.

***"Adam's likeness, Lord, efface
Stamp Thine image in its place
Second Adam from above,
Reinstate us in Thy love."***

***"Let us Thee, though lost, regain,
Thee, the Life, the inner man."***

2 Corinthians 4:16, *"Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day."*

***"O, to all Thyself impart,
Formed in each believing heart."***