

To Shepherds as They Watched by Night

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Soprano 1
Soprano 2

1 To shep - herds as they watched by night
2 At Beth - le - hem, in Da - vid's town,
3 Oh, then re - joice that through His Son

Alto

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S. 1
S. 2

Ap - peared a host of an - gels bright;
As Mi - cah did of old make known;
God is with sin ners now at one;

A.

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S. 1
S. 2

Be - hold the ten - der Babe, they said,
'Tis Je - sus Christ, your Lord and King,
Made like your - selves of flesh and blood,

A.

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S. 1
S. 2

In yon - der low - ly man - ger laid.
Who doth to all sal - va - tion bring.
Your bro - ther is th'e - ter - nal God.

A.

Soprano 1
Soprano 2

4 What harm can sin and death then do?
5 Not one He will or can for - sake
6 Ye shall and must at last pre - vail;

Alto

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S. 1
S. 2

The true God now a - bides with you.
Who Him his con - fid - ence doth make.
God's own ye are, ye can - not fail.

A.

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S. 1
S. 2

Let hell and Sa - tan rage and chafe,
Let all his wiles the tempt - er try,
To God for - ev - er sing your praise

A.

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S. 1
S. 2

Christ is your Bro - ther— ye are safe.
You may his ut - most pow'rs de - fy.
With joy and pa - tience all your days.

A.