

# It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

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It came upon the midnight clear,  
That glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth  
To touch their harps of gold:  
“Peace on the earth, goodwill to men,  
From heaven’s all gracious King:”  
The world in solemn stillness lay,  
To hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come  
With peaceful wings unfurled,  
And still their heavenly music floats  
Over all the weary world:  
Above its sad and lowly plains,  
They bend on hovering wing:  
And ever over its babel sounds,  
The blessed angels sing.

And you, beneath life’s crushing load,  
Whose forms are bending low,  
Who toil along the climbing way  
With painful steps and slow,  
Look now! For glad and golden hours  
Come swiftly on the wing;  
O rest beside the weary road,  
And hear the angels sing.

**Bible Verse:** "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!" Luke 2:14 ESV