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O tidings of comfort and joy.

In Bethlehem in Jewry
And laid within a manger
The which his mother Mary

This blessèd babe was born, upon this blessèd morn; nothing did take in scorn:

O tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our heavenly Father And unto certain shepherds How that in Bethlehem was born a blessèd angel came, brought tidings of the same, the Son of God by name:

O tidings of comfort and joy.

'Fear not', then said the angel, This day is born a Saviour So frequently to vanquish all

'Let nothing you afright, of virtue, power, and might; the friends of Satan quite:'

O tidings of comfort and joy.

The shepherds at those tidings
And left their flocks a-feeding
And went to Bethlehem straightway

rejoiced much in mind, in tempest, storm and wind, this blessed babe to find:

O tidings of comfort and joy.

But when to Bethlehem they came, They found him in a manger His mother Mary kneeling whereat this infant lay, where oxen feed on hay, unto the Lord did pray:

O tidings of comfort and joy.

Now to the Lord sing praises, And with true love and brotherhood This holy tide of Christmas All you within this place, Each other now embrace; All others doth deface:

O tidings of comfort and joy.