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A Christmas Carol.

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What a marvel of glad tidings,
Wings to-day its way on earth,
Bearing with it no misguidings
To our celebrating mirth!
Christ Our Lord again is pressing
On us all his wondrous love:
'Tis His birthday. O the blessing!
As the angels sing above.

Realms of light around earth and heaven
Echo give our humbler song!
Say ye not that Christ would leaven
With His love the weak and strong?
Born a man to mend our frailties
Now He sits on God's right hand,
Fostering in our hearts the failties
That respond to God's command.

Let us then make glad the tidings
Of a loving Saviour's birth,
Giving cheek to all deridings
In our celebrating mirth:
Fill the earth with righteous gladness,
Blend all voices in His praise,
Nor neglect to lift the sadness
From a brother's heart always.

O Christmas Day! The birthday of the year!
O Christmas Day! God bless it far and near!
"Peace and Good-will" wells out the angel-song
Within our hearts as it we fond prolong!
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