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 unfurl
And still
Their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hovering wing
And ever o'er its Babel sounds
The blessed angels sing

O ye 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

For lo the days are hastening on By prophets seen of old When with the ever circling years Shall come the time foretold When the new heaven and earth Shall own the prince of peace Their King And the whole world Send back the song Which now the angels sing