

## Little Town

## Over the Rhine

O little town of Bethlehem  
How still we see thee lie  
Above thy dark and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by

Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
The everlasting light  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight

The lamplit streets of Bethlehem  
We walk now through the night  
There is no peace in Bethlehem  
There is no peace in sight

The wounds of generations  
Almost too deep to heal  
Scar the timeworn miracle  
And make it seem surreal

The baby in the manger  
Grew to a man one day  
And still we try to listen now  
To what he had to say

Put up your swords forever  
Forgive your enemies  
Love your neighbor as yourself  
Let your little children come to me

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