

As with Gladness Men of Old

Words: William C. Dix (1837-1898), 1860

Music: Conrad Kocher, 1786-1872 (arr. William H. Monk, 1823-1889)

Verse 1:

G D C G C G D G
As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold;
G D C G C G D G
As with joy they hailed its light, Lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;
G D G C G D G
So, most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev-er-more be led to Thee.

Verse 2:

As with joyous steps they sped To that lowly manger bed,
There to bend the knee before Him Whom Heaven and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet Ever seek Thy mercy seat.

Verse 3:

As they offered gifts most rare At that manger rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy, Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King.

Verse 4:

Holy Jesus, every day Keep us in the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past, Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glory hide.