

## Hymns and Songs - 4th December, 2022

**O come, O come, Emmanuel,**  
And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here,  
Until the Son of God appear:  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel*  
*Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free  
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;  
From depths of hell thy people save,  
And give them victory o'er the grave:  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel*  
*Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer  
Our spirits by thine advent here;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
And death's dark shadows put to flight:  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel*  
*Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Key of David, come,  
And open wide our heavenly home;  
Make safe the way that leads on high,  
And close the path to misery:  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel*  
*Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, O come, thou Lord of Might,  
Who to thy tribes, on Sinai's height,  
In ancient times didst give the law  
In cloud and majesty and awe:  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel*  
*Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

**Like a candle flame,**  
Flickering small in our darkness.  
Uncreated light  
Shines through infant eyes.

*God is with us, alleluia. (Men)*  
*God is with us, alleluia. (Women)*  
*Come to save us, alleluia. (Men)*  
*Come to save us, (Women)*  
*Alleluia! (All)*

Stars and angels sing,  
Yet the earth sleeps in shadows;  
Can this tiny spark  
Set a world on fire?

*God is with us, alleluia. (Men)*  
*God is with us, alleluia. (Women)*  
*Come to save us, alleluia. (Men)*  
*Come to save us, (Women)*  
*Alleluia! (All)*

Yet His light shall shine  
From our lives, Spirit blazing,  
As we touch the flame  
Of His holy fire.

*God is with us, alleluia. (Men)*  
*God is with us, alleluia. (Women)*  
*Come to save us, alleluia. (Men)*  
*Come to save us, (Women)*  
*Alleluia! (All)*

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**Longing for light, we wait in darkness,**  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
Light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in our hearts,*  
*shine through the darkness.*  
*Christ be our light!*  
*Shine in your church*  
*gathered today*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us.  
Make us your living voice.

*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in our hearts,*  
*shine through the darkness.*  
*Christ be our light!*  
*Shine in your church*  
*gathered today*

Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
Shared until all are fed.

*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in our hearts,*  
*shine through the darkness.*  
*Christ be our light!*  
*Shine in your church*  
*gathered today*

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
walls made of living stone.

*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in our hearts,*  
*shine through the darkness.*  
*Christ be our light!*  
*Shine in your church*  
*gathered today*

Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
making your kingdom come.

*Christ, be our light!  
Shine in our hearts,  
shine through the darkness.  
Christ be our light!  
Shine in your church  
gathered today*

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**From heaven you came, helpless babe,**

Entered our world, Your glory veiled;  
Not to be served but to serve,  
And give Your life that we might live.

*This is our God, the Servant King,  
He calls us now to follow Him,  
To bring our lives as a daily offering  
Of worship to the Servant King.*

There in the garden of tears,  
My heavy load He chose to bear;  
His heart with sorrow was torn,  
“Yet not my will but Yours,” He said.

*This is our God, the Servant King,  
He calls us now to follow Him,  
To bring our lives as a daily offering  
Of worship to the Servant King.*

Come see His hands and His feet,  
The scars that speak of sacrifice;  
Hands that flung stars into space  
To cruel nails surrendered.

*This is our God, the Servant King,  
He calls us now to follow Him,  
To bring our lives as a daily offering  
Of worship to the Servant King.*

So let us learn how to serve,  
And in our lives enthrone Him;  
Each other's needs to prefer,  
For it is Christ we're serving.

*This is our God, the Servant King,  
He calls us now to follow Him,  
To bring our lives as a daily offering  
Of worship to the Servant King.*

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**Light of the world,**

You stepped down into darkness,  
Opened my eyes, let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore You,  
Hope of a life spent with You.

*So here I am to worship,  
Here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God;  
And You're altogether lovely,  
Altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.*

King of all days,  
Oh so highly exalted,  
Glorious in heaven above;  
Humbly You came  
To the earth You created,  
All for love's sake became poor.

*So here I am to worship,  
Here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God;  
And You're altogether lovely,  
Altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.*

And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross.  
(Repeat)

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**The Lord is my light,**

My light and salvation;  
In God I trust,  
In God I trust

**Can you see what we have made,**

For this very special day?  
An orange for our planet home  
Circling around the sun.

Count the seasons as we sing,  
Summer, autumn, winter, spring.  
Sing to God who sends the rain,  
Making all things new again.

*Candlelight, burning bright,  
Chase the darkness of the night.  
Christ the light, light our way,  
Live inside our hearts today.*

See the food with colours bright,  
Taste buds tingle at the sight.  
Let's be thankful as we share,  
God's good gifts are ev'ry where.

Why then is the world we made,  
Wrapped around with ribbon red?  
Red is for the ransom paid,  
When our Lord was crucified

*Candlelight, burning bright,  
Chase the darkness of the night.  
Christ the light, light our way,  
Live inside our hearts today.*

There's a world I'm dreaming of,  
Where there's peace and joy and love.  
Light of Jesus ev'ry where,  
This is my Christingle prayer.

*Candlelight, burning bright,  
Chase the darkness of the night.  
Christ the light, light our way,  
Live inside our hearts today.*

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