

It Came Upon The Midnight Clear

Key of Bb - CAROL - 1975 Baptist Hymnal #86

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1. It came up - on the mid- night clear, That glo - rious song of old,
2. Yet with the woes of sin and strife The world has suf - fered long,
3. All ye, be - neath life's crush - ing load, Whose forms are bend - ing low,
4. For lo! the days are has - t'ning on, By prop - et bards fore - told,

From an - gels bend - ing near the earth, To touch their harps of gold:
Be - neath the an - gel strain have rolled Two thou - sand years of wrong;
Who toil a - long the climb - ing way With pain - ful steps and slow,
When with the ev - er cir - cling years comes round the age of gold;

"Peace on the earth, good will to men," From heav'n's all - gra - cious King.
And man, at war with man, hears not The love song which they bring:
Look now! for glad and gold - en hours Come swift - ly on the wing:
When peace shall o - ver all the earth Its an - cient splend - ors fling,

The world in sol - emn still - ness lay, To hear the an - gels sing.
O hush the noise, ye men of strife, And hear the an - gels sing.
O rest be - side the wea - ry road, And hear the an - gels sing.
And the whole world give back the song Which now the an - gels sing.