

## - reflection

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. — Galatians 4.4-5. Jesus was the only one qualified to be our Savior. At the Incarnation, He became one 'born under the law' in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us. (Romans 8.1-4) Take a moment to praise God that you are not under the law, but under the Grace of Christ.

## - hymn of praise

O holy night, the stars are brightly shining; It is the night of the dear Savior's birth. Long lay the world in sin and error pining, till He appeared and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn! Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices! O night divine! O night, O night divine!

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming, with glowing hearts by His cradle we stand. So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming, there came the wise men from Orient land.

The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger; in all our trials born to be our friend.

He knows our need, to our weakness is no stranger.

Behold your King; before Him lowly bend!

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Truly He taught us to love one another;
His law is love and His gospel is peace.
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother,
and in His name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
let all within us praise His holy name.
Christ is the Lord! O praise His name forever!
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!
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