

There Came a Message From the Sky

CHRISTMAS

Words: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1689. Translated by Paul Christian Paulsen, 1927.

Music: 'Esbjerg' Hartnack Otto Conrad Zinck, 1801.

Setting: "Hymnal for Church and Home" (Danish Evangelical Lutheran Synods), 1927.
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♩ = 100

1. There came a mes - sage from the sky: God has the earth be - frien - - ded,
2. It first to Na - za - reth did come By Ga - bri - el ex - poun - - ded;
3. Thou shalt a Son con - ceive and bear, Who is the Prince of hea - - ven,
4. The Ho - ly Spi - rit shall to thee His bound - less po - wer ren - - der,
5. Come, Christ - mas Child, and be my guest, Give me Thy Ho - ly Spi - rit,

His Son who dwells in hea - ven high, By an - gel hosts at - - ten - - ded,
To Ma - ry, in her hum - ble home, So won - der - ful it soun - - ded:
Who shall to Da - vid's throne be heir And Ja - cob's house be gi - - ven;
A - bun - dant shall the mer - cy be From Him, thy strong De - fen - - der;
Pre - pare my heart and make it blest Fo - - re - ver through Thy me - - rit,

Will now your flesh and blood put on fear, As
O Ma - - ry, hail, and thou shalt not fear, The
He shall ex - - tend to e - - v'ry race, His
This child is there - - fore from a - - bove, Whom
That I at last may dwell with Thee, Thy

Da - - vid's Son; Your wret - ched state is en - - - ded.
Lord is near, To thee hath grace a - - boun - - - ded!
reign of grace, His king - dom, like a - - - ven.
thou shalt love, As mo - - - ther kind and ten - - - der.
king - dom see, And all its gifts in - - - he - - - rit.