

# In the Bleak Mid-Winter

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## Couplet 1

1. In the bleak mid - win - ter Frost - y wind made moan,

Earth stood hard as Ir - on, Wa - ter like a stone;

Snow had fal - len, snow on snow, Snow on snow,

In the bleak mid - win - ter, Long a - go.

**Couplet 2**

1 2 3 4

Soprano  
2. Our God, heav'n can - not hold him, Nor earth sus - tain;

Alto  
2. Our God, heav'n can - not hold him, Nor earth sus - tain;

Tenor  
2. Our God, heav'n can - not hold him, Nor earth sus - tain;

Bass  
2. Our God, heav'n can - not hold him Nor earth sus - tain;

5 6 7 8

S.  
Heav'n and earth shall flee a - way. When he comes to reign:

A.  
Heav'n and earth shall flee a - way. When he comes to reign:

T.  
Heav'n and earth shall flee a - way. When he comes to reign:

B.  
Heav'n and earth shall flee a - way. When he comes to reign:

9 10 11 12

S.  
In the bleak mid - win - ter A sta - ble place suf - fic'd The

A.  
In the bleak mid - win - ter A sta - ble place suf - fic'd The

T.  
In the bleak mid - win - ter A sta - ble place suf - fic'd The

B.  
In the bleak mid - win - ter A sta - ble place suf - fic'd

13 14 15 16

S.  
Lord God al - might - y Je - sus Christ.

A.  
Lord God al - might - y Je - sus Christ

T.  
Lord God al - might - y Je - sus Christ

B.  
Lord God al - might - y Je - sus Christ

## Couplet 3

1 2 3 4

Soprano  
3. E - nough for him, whom Che - ru - bim Wor - shipnight and day, A

Alto  
3. E - nough for him, whom Che - ru - bim Wor - shipnight and day, A

Tenor  
3. E - nough for him, whom Che - ru - bim Wor - shipnight and day, A

Bass  
3. E - nough for him, whom Che - ru - bim Wor - shipnight and day, A

5 6 7 8

S.  
breast - ful of milk And a man - ger - ful of hay; E -

A.  
breast - ful of milk And a man - ger - ful of hay; E -

T.  
breast - ful of milk And a man - ger - ful of hay; E -

B.  
breast - ful of milk And a man - ger - ful of hay; E -

9 10 11 12

S.  
- nough for him, whom An - gels. Fall down be - fore, The

A.  
- nough for him, whom An - gels. Fall down be - fore, The

T.  
- nough for him, whom An - gels. Fall down be - fore, The

B.  
- nough for him, whom An - gels. Fall down be - fore, The

13 14 15 16

S.  
ox and ass and cam - el Which a - dore.

A.  
ox and ass and cam - el Which a - dore.

T.  
ox and ass and cam - el Which a - dore.

B.  
ox and ass and cam - el Which a - dore.

**Couplet 4**

1 2 3 4

Soprano  
4. An - gels and Arch - an - gels May have gath - er'd there,

Alto  
4. An - gels and Arch - an - gels May have gath - er'd there,

Tenor  
4. An - gels and Arch - an - gels May have gath - er'd there,

Bass  
4. An - gels and Arch - an - gels May have gath - er'd there,

5 6 7 8

S.  
Cher - u - bim and Ser - a - phim. Throng'd - - the air, But

A.  
Cher - u - bim and Ser - a - phim. Throng'd - - the air, But

T.  
Cher - u - bim and Ser - a - phim. Throng'd - - the air, But

B.  
Cher - u - bim and Ser - a - phim. Throng'd - - the air, But

9 10 11 12

S.  
on - ly his moth - er. In her maid en bliss.

A.  
on - ly his moth - er. In her maid en bliss.

T.  
on - ly his moth - er. In her maid en bliss.

B.  
on - ly his moth - er. In her maid en bliss.

13 14 15 16

S.  
Wor - shipp'd the Bel - o - ved With a kiss.

A.  
Wor - shipp'd the Bel - o - ved With a kiss.

T.  
Wor - shipp'd the Bel - o - ved With a kiss.

B.  
Wor - shipp'd the Bel - o - ved With a kiss.

**Couplet 5**

1 2 3 4

Soprano  
What can I give him, Poor as I am.

Alto  
What can I give him, Poor as I am.

Tenor  
What can I give him, Poor as I am.

Bass  
What can I give him, Poor as I am.

5 6 7 8

S.  
If I were a shep - herd. I would bring a lamb;

A.  
If I were a shep - herd. I would bring a lamb;

T.  
If I were a shep - herd. I would bring a lamb;

B.  
If I were a shep - herd. I would bring a lamb;

9 10 11 12

S.  
If I were a wise man. I would do my part Yet

A.  
If I were a wise man. I would do my part Yet

T.  
If I were a wise man. I would do my part Yet

B.  
If I were a wise man. I would do my part Yet

13 14 15 16

S.  
what I can I give him Give my heart.

A.  
what I can I give him Give my heart.

T.  
what I can I give him Give my heart.

B.  
what I can I give him Give my heart.