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1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!  
2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry, and gath - ered all a - bove,  
3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous Gift is giv'n;  
4. Where chil - dren pure and hap - py pray to the bless - ed Child,  
5. O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, des - cend to us, we pray;

1. O Bethlehem, du kleine Stadt, du schläfst und liegst im Traum. Der Sterne Glanz lässt leis und matt dein trautes Bild uns schau'n.  
Doch scheint in deinen Gassen heut Gottes Licht mit Macht, denn unser Retter ward geboren, der uns hier selig macht.

A - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by.  
While mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - d'ring love.  
So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of His Heav'n.  
Where mis - er - y cries out to Thee, Son of the moth - er mild;  
Cast out our sin, and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.

2. Maria ward dem Jesuskind zur Mutter hier bestellt, und Gottes Engel sind geschwind, dass es an Schutz nicht fehlt.  
Ihr Sterne, preist und lobet, Gott-Vater werd geehrt, dass Jesus Christ den Frieden bracht vom Himmel auf die Erd.

Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;  
O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth,  
No ear may hear His com - ing, but in this world of sin,  
Where char - i - ty stands watch - ing and faith holds wide the door,  
We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;

3. Herr, komm aus deinem Krippelein, da Ochs und Esel steht, in unser sündiges Herz herein, das sonst vor Angst vergeht.  
Mach uns zu Gotteskindern und führ uns in dein Licht! Lass uns die Weihnacht recht verstehn: Zeig uns dein Angesicht.

The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.  
And prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth!  
Where meek souls will re - ceive Him still, the dear Christ en - ters in.  
The dark night wakes, the glo - ry breaks, and Christ - mas comes once more.  
Oh, come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el!

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