God Gives Good – a musical journey through the Christmas story

Look for Messiah (Todd Koeppen)

I thought I planted a good crop that would stand for love and justice Instead I only find whores, murders and thieves that don't know the first thing about me

It's time to tear it up – so if you want in on the new row No matter how deep the stains of your sins go I can wash you white as snow

Look for messiah He will bring you justice Look for messiah He will even pay your price All the distant lands will feel the work of his hands He's the hope of the world Look for Messiah

Rising up out of Bethlehem
A new shoot from Jesse's stump
Straight from a virgin's womb
His name will be "God with us"
Can't no mountain stand in his way
Tt will flatten out before him
So line up, choose a side
I pray you're taking God's ride

O Come O Come Emmanuel

(Traditional – arranged by Todd Koeppen)
O come O come Emmanuel
Come ransom captive Israel
Who mourns in lowly ex - ile here
Until the son of God appears

Rejoice, rejoice, Emma – a – anuel Shall come to thee Oh Is - rael

O come thou rod of Jesse, free Free thine own from Satan's tyranny From depths of hell thy people save And give us victory over the grave

O come thou key of David, come Come open wide our heavenly home Come light the way so all may see And close the path to mi - sery

Prepare the Way (Todd Koeppen)

Zechariah stood before his God, and pleaded his shame An angel answered him, you will bear a son John will be his name

He will prepare the way of the Lord He will straighten the road Prepare the way of the Lord So that all may know our God's salvation

Zechariah could scarce believe his ears, how could it be so He was silenced for his disbelief
This was how he would know
Until the day that the child came
People gathered around, they were flirting with names
He said, "His name is John – he is God's gift
His name is John and he is God's gift"

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Joseph love, I have hard and wonderful news to tell you In me now grows a child - He will be the Savior Joseph please don't go

God may seem to give strange things If we're patient we'll see how what seems an end Is the beginning of the wondrous things He's planned for us God gives good

Mary, I am sorry for how I reacted to your words I believe you An angel came to me in dream, Confirming every word you said Now I know I am blessed

Praise God the Savior is Born (Todd Koeppen)

Praise God - Peace has come to earth Praise God - Messiah has come Praise God - Peace has come to earth Praise God - The Savior is born

Lovers of power and property have no room for him You will find Him with the weak and poor Right now, wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in the manger Is Messiah – the Savior – the Lord

God Almighty has done great things Shown His power through humble beings Want a piece friend, give your life If you let Him He'll save you and save you and save you He's the Savior, it's what He does

What Child is This

(Traditional – arranged by Todd Koeppen)
What child is this who laid to rest
On Mary's lap is sleeping
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
While shepherds watch are keeping

This, this is Christ the King Whom Shepherds guard and angels sing This, this is Christ the King The babe, the son of Mary

Why lie He in such mean estate Where ox and ass are feeding Good Christian fear for sinners here The silent word is pleading

So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh Come rich and poor to own Him The King of Kings salvation brings Let loving hearts enthrone Him

My King and My God (Todd Koeppen)

I've come to see the king
I've come to see the newborn king
Show me where you've laid his precious head

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I've come to lay these gifts beside his bed

The King star rose in the night
That which we've searched for all our lives
It burned so bright it dimmed the other stars that shown
The greatest king who's ever lived will soon take his throne

My King and my God I saw it in the sky
I left my life to worship at his side
The miles were not kind
But it's worth every step to see the face that brings us life
Show me to the child

My traveling companions and I From many peoples who read the sky We've all drawn the same conclusion This cannot be illusion The time has come for Him to arrive

Gold for a King Frankincense for a priest Myrrh for one who must die to usher in our new life

We must find a new road home A messenger in dream came to me Said a mad king fearing for his legacy Has launched a plan that will fail He will kill every newborn male But I know who will prevail

My King and my God I've seen him for real I left my life and now I know I feel
The love of God on High
Coursing through my veins
I can never be the same

My King and my God to look upon His face Is to see the one who saves the human race From the hate that breeds In every human heart to look to him is to make a new start

Enter the Lamb (Todd Koeppen)

The stage was set
For the entrance of all time
The parts were cast
Selected by the Divine
And God came down
Through a holy virgin birth
The angels sang
For they knew that baby's worth

Glory to God Enter the Lamb He will bring peace to the world and forgiveness to man

This baby came
To show the way to God
His path is hard
But it's open to all
Your price was paid
Through the precious blood He lost

This blameless one Nailed upon the cross

The manger scene was only a start He is born fresh each day in new believers hearts Yeah, that's why we sing

Angels We Have Heard on High

(Traditional – arranged by Todd Koeppen)
Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echo back their joyous strains

Gloria In excelsis Deo

Shepherds why this jubilee Why your joyous strains prolong Say what may the tidings be Which inspire this heavenly song

See within a manger lay Jesus, Lord of Heaven and Earth Mary, Joseph lend your aid With us sing our Savior's birth

All the Christmas I Need (Todd Koeppen)

I don't need a Christmas tree to remind me of my King And stocking stuffers can be lots of fun But they don't point me towards the One.

My redeemer and King
is all the Christmas I need
My redeemer and King
is all the Christmas I need All the Christmas I need

Now I don't mind old Santa Claus But he does not replace my God There's not a present in his bag That could touch the greatest gift I've ever had The Word made flesh transcends the rest Christ bore the cross and cleansed my heart

I'm not trying to be a Scrooge And I don't feel the season is abused But if you took all the fluff and the fun away My love for the story of the Son would still remain