# The Christmas Journey Choir/Solo only Words

#### 2. Come With Us To Bethlehem

Come with us to Bethlehem, Bethlehem, Bethlehem.

Come with us to Bethlehem, we're going there today.

We will follow the star, it may be far, but we must leave today.

We will follow the star, it may be far, we'll join others on the way.

On the way, on the way.

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Please come with us to Bethlehem, Bethlehem. Bethlehem.

Come with us to Bethlehem, we'll follow the star today.

## 3. The Shepherds

We'll travel along with a smile and a song,

Passing meadows, mountains and moors.

We've heard that the Lord has sent his son to help us keep true to his laws. He's not to be found where riches abound, but in a lowly cattle shed.

Where ox and ass keep loving watch around his manger bed.

His mother Mary softly sings as she rocks her new-born son.

This tiny babe whose earthly life, earthly life has just begun.

When suddenly there was a shining star. We closed our eyes with fear,

And when we slowly opened them, an angel did appear

# 4. While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks By Night

**Verse 1**. While shepherds watched their flocks by night

All seated on the ground. The angel of the Lord came down And glory shone around.

Verse 2. "Fear not", said he, for mighty dread

Had seized their troubled mind. "Glad tidings of great joy I bring To you and all mankind"

Verse 3. "To you, in David's town this day Is born of David's line

The Saviour who is Christ the Lord

And this shall be the sign"

**Verse 4**. "The heavenly Babe you there shall find To human view displayed All meanly wrapped in swathing bands

And in a manger laid"

Verse 5 and 6 as Audience programme

#### 5. Come With Us To Bethlehem

We said to the shepherds, wake your sheep and come with us our Lord to greet, Our Lord to greet, Our Lord to greet.

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We will follow the star, it may be far. We'll join others on the way, on the way, on the way, on the way. Please come with us to Bethlehem,

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Come with us to Bethlehem, we'll follow the star to – follow the star today We're going there today.

### **6** The Three Kings

Over in the sand dunes, what do we see?

A stately train of camels, one, two, three, one two three.

Where are they going, looking very grand?

They travel towards us across the sand.

They're not very far, I wonder who they are, I wonder who they are.

### 7. We Three Kings.

Verse 1. We three kings of orient are, Bearing gifts we traverse afar Field and fountain, Moor and mountain, Following yonder star.

O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright. Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light.

#### Verse 2 Solo Melchior

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, Gold I bring to crown Him again King for ever, ceasing never Over us all to reign.

### **Verse 3 Solo Gaspar**

Frankincense to offer have I, Incense owns a Deity nigh Prayer and praising, all men raising, Worship Him, God most high.

#### Verse 4 Solo Balthasar

Myrrh is mine, Its bitter perfume breathes A life of gathering gloom. Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, Sealed in the stone cold tomb.

#### **Verse 5 Choir and Audience**

Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and Sacrifice! Heaven sings, 'Alleluia!' 'Alleluia!' the Earth replies.

#### 8. Come With Us To Bethlehem

We said to the three kings

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We will follow the star, it may be far, we'll join others on the way, On the way, on the way, on the way.

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Come with us to Bethlehem, we'll follow the star today."

### 9. O Little Town Of Bethlehem - For everybody to sing

O Little town of Bethlehem how still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by. Yet in the dark streets shineth the everlasting light; The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth, And praises sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth. For Christ is born of Mary; and, gathered all above, While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wond'ring love.

How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is giv'n! So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heav'n No ear may hear his coming; but in this world of sin, Where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in.

Where children pure and happy pray to the blessed child, Where misery cries out to thee, Son of the mother mild, Where charity stands watching and faith holds wide the door, The dark night wakes and glory breaks, And Christmas comes once more.

O holy Child of Bethlehem descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today. We hear the Christmas Angels the great glad tidings tell: O come to us, abide with us our Lord Emmanuel.

#### 11. We All Went To Bethlehem - Choir and Audience

We all went to Bethlehem, Bethlehem, Bethlehem
We all went to Bethlehem, we all went today.
We followed the star, it was quite far but we all went today.
We followed the star, it was quite far, we joined others on the way,
On the way, on the way.

We all went to Bethlehem, Bethlehem. We all went to Bethlehem, we all went today,

We went there today.