

Hymn 123: The First Noel

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D D/F# G D/F#
The first Noel the angel did say
Bm A G D/F# Em A D
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay
A D D/F# G D/F#
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep
Bm A G D/F# Em A D
On a cold winter's night that was so deep

A D D/F# G D/F# Bm A G D/F# Em A D
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Is-ra-el

D D/F# G D/F#
They looked up and saw a star
Bm A G D/F# Em A D
Shining in the east, beyond them far
D D/F# G D/F#
And to the earth it gave great light
Bm A G D/F# Em A D
And so it continued both day and night

**This star drew nigh to the northwest
O'er Beth-le-hem it took its rest
And there it did both stop and stay,
Right o-ver the place where Je-sus lay**

**Then entered in there wise men three,
Full rev-'rent-ly up-on the knee,
And offered there in His presence
Their gold and myrrh, and frank-in-cense**