On This Day Earth Shall Ring



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1. On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing to the Lord, **Christ our King**,

born on earth to save us; him the Father gave us.

2. His the doom, ours the mirth; when he came down to earth, **Bethlehem** saw his birth;

ox and ass beside him from the cold would hide him.

3. God's bright star, o'er his head, **Wise Men three** to him led; kneel they low by his bed,

lay their gifts before him, praise him and adore him.

4. On this day angels sing; with their song earth shall ring, praising Christ, heaven's King,

born on earth to save us; peace and love he gave us.