Lord of the Dance



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1. I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,

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and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth. At Bethlehem I had my birth.

2. I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee, but they would not dance and they would not follow me;

I danced for the fishermen, for James and John; they came to me and the dance went on.

3. I danced on the sabbath when I cured the lame, the holy people said it was a shame;

they whipped and they stripped and they hung me high; and they left me there on a cross to die.

4. I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on your back;

they buried my body and they thought I'd gone, but I am the dance, and I still go on.

5. They cut me down and I leapt up high, I am the life, that'll never, never die;

I'll live in you if you live in me; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.