

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day 126

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom His favor rests. – Luke 2:14 NIV



1. I heard the bells on Christ-mas day their old fa - mil - iar car - ols play,
2. I thought how, as the day had come, the bel-fries of all Chris-ten-dom
3. And in de-spair I bowed my head: "There is no peace on earth," I said,
4. Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: "God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;
5. Till ring - ing, sing-ing on its way, the world re-volved from night to day:



and wild and sweet the words re - peat of peace on earth, good-will to men.
had rolled a - long th'un - bro - ken song of peace on earth, good-will to men.
"For hate is strong, and mocks the song of peace on earth good-will to men."
the wrong shall fail, the right pre - vail, with peace on earth, good-will to men.
A voice, a chime, a chant sub - lime of peace on earth, good-will to men!



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