Hope Is Alive

By Ellie Holcomb

Verse 1

After the silence of waiting so long, we hear a baby's first cry And into our midnight, A heavenly song whispers that hope is alive Oh joy to the world on this holy night

Chorus

So sing with the angels that fill up the sky
Heaven broke through and now hope is alive
He is right here among us, our God is with us tonight
And hope is alive

Verse 2

In an old stable beneath the bright stars, a young mother is holding her son Oh the beauty of feeling the beat of God's heart that tells us that we're not alone Oh, our Emanuel has come

Chorus

So sing with the angels that fill up the sky
Heaven broke through and now hope is alive
He is right here among us, our God is with us tonight
And hope is alive
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Bridge

Into our aching, into our breaking, into our longing to be made whole Your arms are reaching, Your love is holding us close And into our suffering, into our weeping, into this need we have to be known Your arms are reaching, Your love is holding us close

Chorus

So sing with the Angels that filled up the sky
Those in the shadows have seen a great light
He is right here among us, our God is with us tonight
And hope is alive
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What Child Is This - Joel Hanson

Verse 1

What Child is this who, laid to rest On Mary's lap, is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet While shepherds watch are keeping

Chorus 1

This, this is Christ the King Whom shepherds guard and angels sing Haste, haste, to bring Him laud The Babe, the Son of Mary

Verse 2

Why lies He in such mean estate Where ox and ass are feeding Good Christians fear for sinners here The silent word is pleading

Chorus 2

Nails spears shall pierce Him through The cross be born for me for you Hail hail the Word made flesh The babe the Son of Mary

Verse 3

So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh Come peasant, king to own Him The King of Kings salvation brings Let loving hearts enthrone Him

Chorus 3

Raise raise the song on high The virgin sings her lullaby Joy joy for Christ is born The Babe, the Son of Mary

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Song of Blessing lyrics

May God give you eyes to see All that is good All that is good

The courage for anything May you be strong May you be strong

May God give you ears to hear Their loving voice Their loving voice

Speaking all around you All around And deep inside

In The Bleak Midwinter - Fenne Lily

Verse 1

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan, Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone; Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow on snow, In the bleak midwinter, long ago.

Verse 2

Our God, Heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain; Heaven and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign. In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed The Lord God almighty, Jesus Christ.

Verse 3

Angels and Archangels may have gathered there, Cherubim and seraphim thronged the air; But his mother only, in her maiden bliss, Worshiped the beloved with a kiss.

Verse 4

What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; If I were a wise man, I would do my part; Yet what I can I give him: give my heart.

Joy of the World - Sufjan Stevens

Verse 1

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And Heaven and nature sing,
And Heaven and nature sing,
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.

Verse 2

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let all their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

Verse 3

He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love, And wonders of His love, And wonders, wonders, of His love.