

A Boy is Born in Bethlehem

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A Boy is born in Beth - le - hem, Beth - - - le - hem; _____

Re - joice, there - fore, Je - ru - sa - lem! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - - - lu - ia! _____

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'A Boy is Born in Bethlehem'. It consists of two staves of music in 3/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The second staff starts with a small '8' above the first measure, indicating the start of a new line of music. The lyrics continue below the notes. The score ends with a double bar line.

1. A Boy is born in [Bethlehem;]
Rejoice, therefore, Jerusalem!
Alleluia!
2. Our human flesh [doth He take on,]
High Word of God, th'eternal Son.
3. When Mary [Gabriel's words received,]
Within her was her Son conceived.
4. From virgin's womb [doth He proceed]
No human father doth He need.
5. From serpent's wound [immune was He,]
Yet shared He our humanity.
6. 'Tis flesh like ours [He's cloth-ed in,]
Though free from man's primeval sin.
7. As from His chamber [strides the groom,]
The Flow'r of Jesse now doth bloom.
8. Within the manger [doth He lie,]
Who reigns eternally on high.
9. The ox and ass [that Child adored]
And knew Him for their heav'nly Lord.
10. To shepherds did [an angel come]
To tell them there was born a Son.
11. The wise men came [from lands afar]
To offer incense, gold, and myrrh.
12. They stooped to enter [one by one,]
To greet in turn the new-born Son.
13. At this glad birth, [with one accord]
Let us rejoice and bless the Lord!
14. Praise to [the holy Trinity;]
Give thanks to God eternally.