

The Son Forsook The Father's Home

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D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - - **D** - - (A/C#)
The Son forsook the Father's home for mercy to lost man,
D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - - **Bm** - - (A/C#)
And did not scorn the Virgin's womb to bear the sinner's ban.
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Meekly the Maiden pure believed the great Archangel's word,
D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - -
And by the Holy Ghost conceived the Saviour Christ the Lord.

INTERLUDE:

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The Word made flesh creation sees, Its mighty God in Man :
D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - - **Bm** - - (A/C#)
Great mystery of myster—ies since ever time began !
D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - - **D** - - (A/C#)
That we might gain a second birth the Holy Son was giv'n :
D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - - (Repeat INTERLUDE)
T'was God Himself came down to earth to win us back to heav'n.

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Lord, we believe with love and praise this wondrous truth of Thee :
D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - - **Bm** - - (A/C#)
Thereby in all our troublous days how strong henceforth are we !
D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - - **D** - - (A/C#)
So near art Thou, so strong are we, for now, if we are Thine,
D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - - (Repeat INTERLUDE)
Our Brother in human—ity, Thou makest us divine !

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We see with peace in times of fear serene Thy human Form ;
D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - - **Bm** - - (A/C#)
Thy human Voice with joy we hear, sweet-toned above the storm.
D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - - **D** - - (A/C#)
So dread we not the deathly strife, knowing that Thou hast died :
D - - (A/C#) **Bm** - - (A) **G** - - - (Repeat INTERLUDE)
It can but bear us into life, Since nearer to Thy side!

(REPEAT 1ST LINE)