

Christmas Songs

"Cherry Tree Carol"

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When Joseph was an old man,
An old man was he,
He married Virgin Mary
The Queen of Galilee.
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Joseph and Mary walked
Through an orchard good,
There were cherries, there were berries,
As red as any blood.
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Then Mary spoke to Joseph
So meek and so mild:
"Joseph, gather me some cherries,
For I am with child."
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For I am with child."

Then Joseph grew in anger,
In anger grew he,
"Let the father of thy baby
Gather cherries for thee!
"Let the father of thy baby
Gather cherries for thee!"

Then Jesus spoke a few words,
A few words spoke he:
"Let my mother have some cherries,
Bow low down, cherry tree."
"Let my mother have some cherries,
Bow low down, cherry tree."

The cherry tree bowed low down,
Bowed low down to the ground,
And Mary gathered cherries
While Joseph stood around.
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While Joseph stood around.

Then Joseph took Mary
All on his right knee,
"My Lord, what have I done?
Have mercy on me."
"My Lord, what have I done?
Have mercy on me."

Then Joseph took Mary
All on his left knee,
"Pray tell me, little Baby,
When thy birthday will it be?
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When thy birthday will it be?

"On the Sixth day of January
My birthday it will be,
And the stars in the elements
Will tremble with glee."
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Will tremble with glee."

As Joseph was a-walking
He heard an angel sing,
"Tonight shall be the birth time
Of Christ ou

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