

## Beth Jeans Houghton

### "Veni Veni Emmanuel"

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Veni, veni Emmanuel,  
Captivum solve Israel,  
Qui gemit in exilio  
Privatus Dei Filio.  
Gaude, gaude! Emmanuel  
Nascetur pro te, Israel.

Veni, veni, o Oriens  
Solare nos adveniens;  
Noctis depele nebulas  
Dirasque noctis tenebras.  
Gaude, gaude! Emmanuel  
Nascetur pro te, Israel.

Veni clavis Davidica;  
Regna reclude caelica;  
Fac iter tutum superum,  
Et claude vias inferum.  
Gaude, gaude! Emmanuel  
Nascetur pro te, Israel.

O come, O come Emmanuel,  
And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here,  
Until the Son of God appear.

Chorus:  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

4. Oh, come, Thou Key of David, come  
And open wide our heavenly home:  
Make safe the way that leads on high  
And close the path to misery

Chorus:

5. O Come Thou Dayspring, from on high  
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

Chorus:

6. O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,  
And order all things, far and nigh;  
To us the path of knowledge show,  
And cause us in her ways to go.

Chorus:

7. O come desire of nations, bind  
All peoples in one heart and mind;  
Bid envy, strife, and quarrels cease;  
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace.

Chorus:

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