

# God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

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Sermon in a Sentence: We can all “rest merry” because God saved us from Satan and lifted us from our humble existence.

Summary: The song God rest ye merry, gentlemen talks about how Jesus defeated the power of sin and lifted us from our humble existence. This is the good tidings of great joy that the angels talked about because Jesus came to bring us freedom, and all we have to do is accept His free gift.

## **Diving In:**

- **What did CS Lewis mean when he called joy, “the serious business of Heaven”?**

## **Jesus was born to save us from the influence of Satan**

- **How did Jesus save us from the influence of Satan?**
  - **What has that meant in your life? How did He save you?**
- **Read Romans 5: 6-8**
  - **How did God show His love for us?**
    - **This is tidings of comfort and joy!**

## **Jesus’ humble beginning flips our understanding of what it means to be blessed**

- **Read Mary’s song in Luke 1: 46-55**
  - **What is Mary’s emotional state?**
  - **Summarize verses 52 & 53. How does Mary see these things coming true for her?**
  - **This is tidings of comfort and joy!**

### **Going Deeper:**

- **Talk about a time when God has shown that He has everything under control.**
- **How do you get to a point where you have a “Happy confidence” (where you can rest merry) in God?**

**How can we pray for you?**