

# **Anthem for Advent**

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O come, O come Emmanuel and ransom captive Israel.  
That mourns in earthly exile here, until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! O Israel, to thee shall come Emmanuel.

As a deer thirsts for running waters  
so my soul longs for You, O Lord my God.  
I hunger for You, O my God.  
Where can I find Him  
to come and stand before Him?  
Take courage my soul for day by day  
the Lord pours out His steadfast love upon You.

The heavens are telling of the glory of the Lord.  
He is wondrous! He is marvelous!  
Come everyone and clap for joy!  
Shout triumphant praises to the Lord,  
for the Lord is God above all gods.  
He is awesome beyond words,  
the great King of Israel,  
Emmanuel, Emmanuel.

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