

*Mary's Boy Child* (Jester Hairston)

(1, 2, 3, 4)

**1** G C D7 G  
 Long time ago in Bethlehem, so the Holy Bible say,  
G C -G- -D7- G  
 Mary's boy child Jesus Christ, was born on Christmas Day.

**Ch** -G- -C- -D7- -G- -C- -Am- D7  
 Hark, now hear the angels sing, a king was born today,  
G -C- -Am- -G- -D7- G  
 And man will live for evermore, because of Christmas Day.

**2** G C D7 G  
 While shepherds watch their flocks by night, they see a bright new shining star,  
G C -G- -D7- G  
 And then they heard a choir sing, the music seemed to come from afar.

**Ch** -G- -C- -D7- -G- -C- -Am- D7  
 Hark, now hear the angels sing, a king was born today,  
G -C- -Am- -G- -D7- G  
 And man will live for evermore, because of Christmas Day.

**3** G C D7 G  
 Now Joseph and his wife, Mary, came to Bethlehem that night,  
G C -G- -D7- G  
 They found no place to bear her child, not a single room was in sight.

**Ch** -G- -C- -D7- -G- -C- -Am- D7  
 Hark, now hear the angels sing, a king was born today,  
G -C- -Am- -G- -D7- G  
 And man will live for evermore, because of Christmas Day.

**4** G C D7 G  
 And then they found a little nook in a stable all forlorn,  
G C -G- -D7- G  
 And in a manger cold and dark, Mary's little boy was born.

**Ch** -G- -C- -D7- -G- -C- -Am- D7  
 Trumpets sound and angels sing, listen to what they say:  
G -C- -Am- -G- -D7- G  
 That man will live for evermore, because of Christmas Day.

**Ch** -G- -C- -D7- -G- -C- -Am- D7  
 Hark, now hear the angels sing, a king was born today,  
G -C- -Am- -G- -D7- G—  
 And man will live for evermore, because of Christmas Day.

X-4: Mary's Boy Child



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