

# O Little Town of Bethlehem

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Intro: C Dm C G C Thumb Strum  
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C Dm C// G// C  
 O little town of Bethlehem how still we see thee lie,  
 C Dm C// G// C  
 Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.  
 C// Dm// E7 Am E7  
 Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light.  
 C Dm C// G// C  
 The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

C Dm C// G// C  
 For Christ is born of Mary and gathered all above,  
 C Dm C// G// C  
 While mortals sleep the angels keep their watch of wondering love.  
 C// Dm// E7 Am E7  
 O morning stars together proclaim the Holy birth,  
 C Dm C// G// C  
 And praises sing to God the King and Peace to men on earth.

C Dm C// G// C  
 How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is given,  
 C Dm C// G// C  
 So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His heaven.  
 C// Dm// E7 Am E7  
 No ear may hear His coming but in this world of sin.  
 C Dm C// G// C  
 Where meek souls will receive him still the dear Christ enters in.

C Dm C// G// C  
 O holy Child of Bethlehem descend to us we pray.  
 C Dm C// G// C  
 Cast out our sin and enter in, be born to us today.  
 C// Dm// E7 Am E7  
 We hear the Christmas angels, the great glad tidings tell.  
 C Dm C// G// C  
 O come to us abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel.

