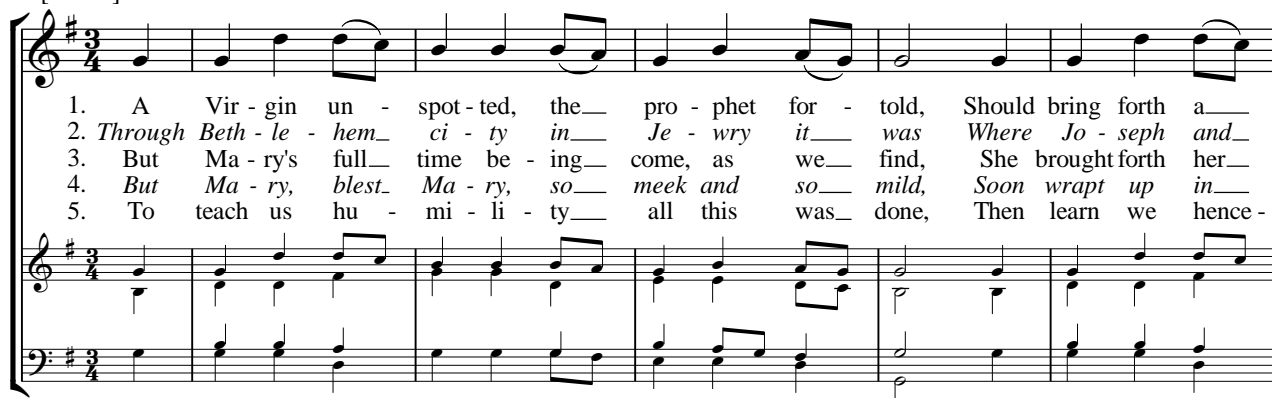


# A Virgin unspotted the prophet foretold

Text anon.

A hymn for Christmas  
attrib. William Knapp (c1698-1768)  
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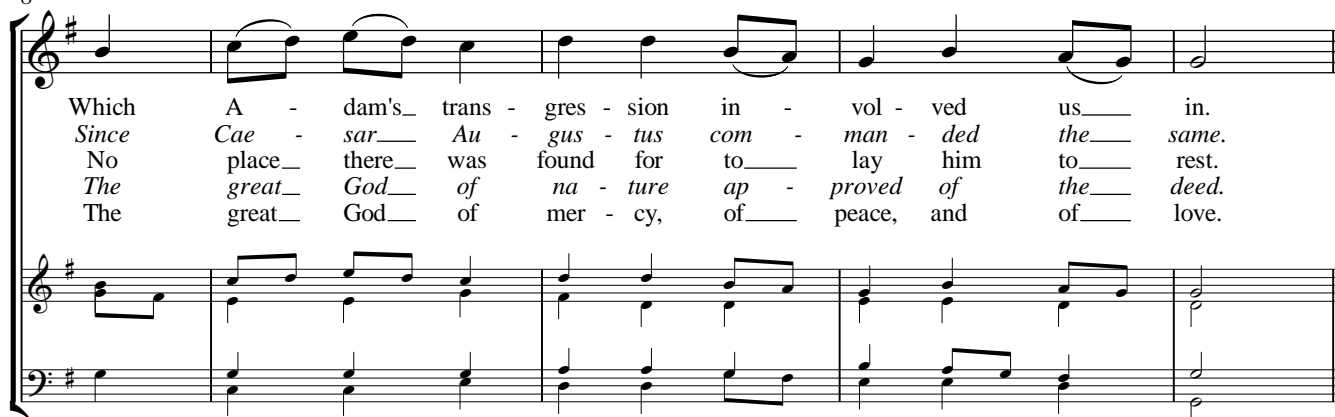
1. A Vir - gin un - spot - ted, the pro - phet for - told, Should bring forth a  
2. Through Beth - le - hem ci - ty in Je - wry it was Where Jo - seph and  
3. But Ma - ry's full time be - ing come, as we find, She brought forth her  
4. But Ma - ry, blest Ma - ry, so meek and so mild, Soon wrapt up in  
5. To teach us hu - mi - li - ty all this was done, Then learn we hence -

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Sa - viour, which now we be - hold. To be our re - dee - mer from death hell and sin,  
Ma - ry to - ge - ther did pass, And there to be tax - ed when thi - ther they came,  
first - born to save all man - kind. The inns be - ing full for this hea - ven - ly guest,  
swadd - lings this hea - ven - ly child. Con - ten - ted, she laid him where ox - en did feed,  
forth haugh - ty pride for to shun. A man - ger his cra - dle, who came from a - bove,

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Which A - dam's trans - gres - sion in - vol - ved us in.  
Since Cae - sar Au - gus - tus com - man - ded the same.  
No place there was found for to lay him to rest.  
The great God of na - ture ap - proved of the deed.  
The great God of mer - cy, of peace, and of love.

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## CHORUS



Then let us be mer - ry, cast sor - row a - way, Our Sa - viour, Christ Je - sus, was born on this day.