

1 ... A really, really long time ago
A time before toys
A time before everything
God made the world A long time ago
And just like carpenters make things out of wood
God made the world ... and it was good
He made all the plants, he made all the trees
He made the animals, birds and he made you and me.

2 ... And that long time ago, that time that was good
God walked beside humans through the trees in the wood.
But the humans he made, like you and like me
Said mean things and were really quite nasty.

They'd thump and they'd punch and wouldn't make amends
And so God and humans could no longer be friends.

3 ... But to be friends again, God had a plan
One day he would send a very special young man...

So it happened one day (or maybe in the night?)
An angel came to Mary and gave her quite a fright.

1 ... Now inside Mary a baby was growing
And Joseph stared at the baby bump showing
A bit worried about how the baby got there
Joseph scratched his head and twizzled his hair.

2 ... On top of that was another worry,
They had to walk to Bethlehem in a bit of a hurry.

3 ... But when Joseph was snoring, in his dream he had a visit -
An angel said Mary would give birth through the Spirit.

1 ... Then Mary set off travelling, with Joseph right beside,
They walked and talked for miles and miles until Bethlehem arrived.

2 ... With a baby inside Mary who was going to be King,
When they finally arrived there was no room at the inn!

3 ... So a place was found by haystack and corn,
And in this spot the baby was born.
So they stayed in the shed where animals fed,
And the baby had straw instead of a bed.

1 ... Then there were shepherds - maybe having a sleep
Trying to rest before gathering their sheep
Then all of a sudden ... something weird
From absolutely nowhere this angel appeared!
Even weirder, from nowhere, lots of angels appeared!

1 ... Next in the story were some very wise blokes
Maybe with big beards and very long cloaks.
These wise men had travelled ever so far
But they didn't use Google maps - they followed a star.

2 ... They rode up to Herod and asked if he'd seen him,
The baby that is, the one who'll be King.
Herod got his experts and asked where this would be,
They said 'He'll be born in Bethlehem, just you see?'

3 ... So the wise men found Jesus,
Next to the animals with fur
And they brought him some gold
Frankincense and myrrh.

1 ... And so baby became boy
And boy grew to man.
He made things out of wood
He was a carpenter man

And he healed the sick ... and told great stories
He walked on water ... and even turned water into wine!
This baby grew up to do what God had promised!

2 ... Remember that time long ago that was good?
When God walked with humans through the trees in the wood?
When people were mean and wouldn't make amends,
And when God and humans could no longer be friends.

Well it didn't end there, because
Jesus the baby and Jesus the man
Were the exact same Jesus and God's rescue plan!

He lived, then he died, on a cross made of wood.
He died for you and me, to turn our wrong into good.

3 ... But something happened after Jesus died...
Three days later He came back again
Jesus really is alive!

So we don't need to be scared or even afraid...
'I will be with you' says Jesus,
'Not for a bit, but always,
Right until the end of the age'.