

Key G

5 Chords: C, Am, G, D, Em7

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Mary's Boy Child

Intro: **G** 2 **C** 4 | **Am** 2 3 4 | **G** 2 **D** 4 | **G** 2 3 4 | 4 beats to bar

[G] Long time ago in [C] Beth-le-[Am]-hem
So the [D] Holy Bible [G] say. 2 3 4
Mary's boy-child, [C] Jesus [Am] Christ
Was [G] born on [D] Christmas [G] Day. 2 3 4

Hark now! [C] Hear the [D] angels [G] sing,
A [Em7] a king was [Am] born to-[D]-day,
And [G] man will live for-[C]-ever [Am] more
Be-[G]-cause of [D] Christmas [G] day.

[G] While shepherds watch their [C] flocks by [Am] night,
They see a [D] bright new shining [G] star,
They hear a choir [C] sing a [Am] song,
The music [G] seemed to [D] come from a-[G]-far.

Hark now! [C] Hear the [D] angels [G] sing,
A [Em7] king was [Am] born to-[D]-day,
And [G] man will live for-[C]-ever [Am] more
Be-[G]-cause of [D] Christmas [G] day.

[G] Now Joseph and his [C] wife [Am] Mary
Came to [D] Bethlehem that [G] night,
They found no place to [C] bear the [Am] child
Not a [G] single [D] room was in [G] sight.

Hark now! [C] Hear the [D] angels [G] sing,
 A [Em7] king was [Am] born to-[D]-day,
 And [G] man will live for-[C]-ever [Am] more
 Be-[G]-cause of [D] Christmas [G] day.

[G] By and by they found a [C] little [Am] nook
 In a [D] stable all for-[G]-lorn;
 And in a manger [C] cold and [Am] dark,
 Mary's [G] little [D] boy was [G] born.

Trumpets [C] sound and [D] angels [G] sing,
 [Em7] Listen to [Am] what they [D] say,
 That [G] man will live for-[C]-ever [Am] more
 [G] Because of [D] Christmas [G] day.

Hark now! [C] Hear the [D] angels [G] sing,
 A [Em7] king was [Am] born to-[D]-day,
 And [G] man will live for-[C]-ever [Am] more
 Be-[G]-cause of [D] Christmas [G] day. 2 3

