

# The First Noel 265

Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:11

1. The first No - el, the an - gel did say, Was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in  
 2. They look - ed up and saw a star Shin - ing in the east, be -  
 3. And by the light of that same star Three Wise Men came from  
 4. This star drew nigh to the north - west, O'er Beth - le - hem it  
 5. Then en - tered in those Wise Men three, Full rev - 'rent - ly up -  
 6. Then let us all with one ac - cord Sing prais - es to our

fields as they lay; In fields where they lay keep - ing their sheep, On a  
 yond them far, And to the earth it gave great light, And  
 coun - try far; To seek for a King was their in - tent, And to  
 took its rest, And there it did both stop and stay, Right  
 on their knee, And of - fered there in His pres - ence Their  
 heav'n - ly Lord, That hath made heav'n and earth of naught, And

*Refrain*  
 cold win - ter's night that was so deep.  
 so it con - tin - ued both day and night.  
 fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went. No - el, No - el, No -  
 o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.  
 gold, and myrrh, and frank - in - cense.  
 with His blood man - kind hath bought.

el, No - el, Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

TEXT: Traditional English carol  
 MUSIC: W. Sandys' *Christmas Carols*, 1833; arranged by John Stainer

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 Irregular meter