

I. A GREAT AND MIGHTY WONDER

Words by St. GERMANUS (634-734)
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Old German tune
harmonized by M. PRAETORIUS
(1571-1621)

SOPRANO
ALTO

1. A great and mighty won - der, A
The Vir - gin bears the In - fant With
2. The Word be - comes in - car - nate And
And che - ru - bim sing an - thems To

TENOR
BASS

full and ho - ly cure!
vir - gin hon - our pure.
yet re - mains on high!
shep - herds from the sky.

Re-peat the hymn a - gain! —

full and ho - ly cure!

'To God on high be glo - ry, And peace on earth to men!'

earth to

The barring of this tune is necessarily irregular. But its performance will be found to be easy if it is remembered that the time-value of a crotchet is the same throughout.

3. While thus they sing your monarch,
Those bright angelic bands,
Rejoice, ye vales and mountains,
Ye oceans clap your hands.
Repeat the hymn again! etc.

4. Since all he comes to ransom,
By all be he adored,
The Infant born in Beth'lem
The Saviour and the Lord.
Repeat the hymn again! etc.

5. And idol forms shall perish,
And error shall decay,
And Christ shall wield his sceptre,
Our Lord and God for ay.
Repeat the hymn again! etc.