



## **“Bethlehem Star”**

Recorded by Me and Compiled from  
**“The Heart”**

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It is now 4:47 pm, the 30th day of November, in the year of Our Lord Jesus Christ 2006. Blessed is the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. For there is no name under the Heavens or on Earth that one might be saved.

To the Glory of God and My Lord Jesus Christ, The Messiah, The Root of David, The Holy One, and the advancement of the Kingdom.

Amen.

The Christmas Season is now upon us.

Recently in the last day or so, I received an email in here at Phoenix Seven, from the web hosting company I host with.

“Promote Your Product”

“Offbeat Online Treasure Contest”.

“With the holidays just around the corner, we're all looking for unique gift ideas. Do you have an original, creative product that would make an interesting gift?” “Enter Our Treasure Contest”.

Of course I was quite intrigued by the wording of the contest, and I entered. Although not what I would consider “offbeat” by any means, I offered my treasure.

**Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:**

**For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.** - The Gospel According to Matthew 6:19-21

I offered “My Treasure”.

I entered Phoenix Seven and offered them Jesus Christ.

In a contest looking for true treasure. Now if I win or not, that yet remains to be seen.

But it brought once more to remembrance just exactly what Christmas “Really Means”.

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Now as God so allows, in the true “Spirit of the Season”, and in the “True Spirit of Giving”, I would like to post for you just a few lyrics to my favorite Christmas songs. Yes, I do so love the traditional favorites, but these are more contemporary... Yet I hold true that the true “Spirit of the Season” comes shining through.

And yes, suppose a couple I have come to love, just for the sentiment of it all. The Heart. I strongly urge you if your out purchasing Christmas Cd's to purchase these.

## **Bethlehem Star**

Ray Boltz

When God created the heaven and earth  
He said let there be light  
And a million shining stars appeared  
On the canvas of the night  
They all declared the glory  
Of the Father up above  
But only one star led the way  
To His greatest gift of love

### CHORUS:

Bethlehem star How beautiful you are  
Shining in the darkness  
Guiding strangers from afar  
As your light fills the heavens  
His love fills my heart  
So shine for me my Bethlehem star

From far away the wise men came  
To find the tiny King  
In Bethlehem they worshipped Him  
And gave their offerings  
Star up in the heavens  
Without your holy light  
They would still be searching  
Somewhere in the night

### CHORUS (repeat)

I may not be a wise man  
And I dont have much to bring  
But my heart is my gift of love  
So lead me to the King

Bethlehem star How beautiful you are  
Shining in the darkness  
Guiding strangers from afar  
As your light fills the heavens  
His love fills my heart  
So shine for me my Bethlehem star  
Oh that I might worship Him  
Shine for me Bethlehem star

(this next has been one of my favorites, for many years now)

## **There's A New Kid In Town**

Billy Gillman

Performed by Trisha Yearwood.

We're looking for the King  
The new Messiah  
We're following the star  
Shining brighter  
Old man won't you help us if you can  
He shook his head but he pointed his hand

There's a new kid in town  
And He's lying in a manger down the road  
There's a new kid in town  
But He's just another baby I suppose  
Heaven knows  
There's a new kid in town  
Here in Bethlehem

I see you've traveled far  
Bearing treasures  
You say these gifts are for  
The new King's pleasures  
I have heard that a King might come  
But up 'til now there hasn't been one

But there's a new kid in town  
And He's lying in a manger down the road  
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## **A Candle In The Window**

### *Alabama*

There's a road that I remember leading to a special place  
Where the door was always open to a smiling face  
There's a picture on the mantle of a boy that looks like me  
It's always the same, there's a stocking with my name

And a candle in the window, a flame against the night  
There's a candle in the window,  
it's like God's perfect light  
It don't take a lot of money  
to know what riches are  
Just a candle in the window

And Christmas in your heart

Maybe it's just wishful thinking  
I can hear the sleigh bells ring  
Almost taste the pie she's

baking, it's Christmas Eve

And there's a candle in the window,  
a flame against the night  
The candle in the window,  
it's like God's perfect light  
It don't take a lot of money  
to know what riches are  
Just a candle in the window  
and Christmas in your heart

Wherever the years may take me no matter how far I go  
There's going to be a candle burning,  
it's always nice to know  
It don't take a lot of money  
to know what riches are  
Just a candle in the window  
and Christmas  
in your heart

(And one that has become one of my all time favorites, it makes you reflect upon the true spirit of giving to those less fortunate than ourselves. One of the True Spirits of the Season”

## **The Gift**

Words by Skip Ewing  
Performed by Ray Boltz

For them there were no presents  
Around the Christmas tree  
No flashing lights unless you count  
The lamp across the street  
A fire in a barrel  
No chimney and no roof  
To most of them Santa Claus  
Was the man who made the soup

In an alley was a mother  
Two children by her side  
Trying hard to keep the spark  
Of true Christmas alive  
She said we may not have some things  
That other people do  
But Christmas is for everyone  
And were Gods children too

Oh and Jesus loves you  
And so do I  
Think about the baby  
And the star up in the sky  
I dont think Santas comin  
Cause he dont know where we live  
But who needs Christmas presents  
We already have the gift

Well early Christmas morning  
While they were still asleep  
I packed a box of food and clothes  
And walked back to their street  
Imagine my surprise  
When I saw presents all around  
Blankets, toys and winter coats  
Beside them on the ground  
And the card I read from Santa said  
Inside the three of you  
The real heart of Christmas  
Is still beating strong and true

Oh and Jesus loves you  
And so do I  
Think about the baby  
And the star up in the sky  
Santa Claus is comin  
Cause he know where real faith lives  
But who needs Christmas presents  
We already have the gift  
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## **Christmas Is Love**

“Alabama”

It's that time of year when the whole world is heart to heart  
You can feel love all around you, you can see it everywhere

Christmas is love, it's in the songs we're singing  
Christmas is love, it's families comin' home  
Christmas is love, it's on the children's faces  
Christmas is love

Christmas is love, a warm and friendly feeling  
Christmas is love, hear the church bells ring  
Christmas is love, it's sharing in the giving  
Christmas is love

We all gather 'round, watch the lights dancing on the tree  
The spirit of the season, you feel it in the air

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Christmas is love, it's families comin' home  
Christmas is love, it's on the children's faces

Christmas is love, a warm and friendly feeling  
Christmas is love, just hear the church bells ring  
Christmas is love, it's sharing in the giving  
Christmas is love, Christmas is love, Christmas is love

## **Christmas Memories**

“Alabama”

There's a blanket of snow coverin' up the old road  
To the house where I was raised  
Through the window I see

the lights on the tree  
and a glow from the old fireplace  
Though it all looks the same  
so much has changed from the way  
it used to be

Christmas memories  
of happy years gone by

They come back to me  
and keep me warm inside  
Still those Christmas memories  
make me cry

Now the  
stockings are filled;  
the house is still  
and the kids are dreamin' away  
There's that old easy chair,  
me and Daddy sat there  
waitin' for Santa's sleigh

Now Daddy's gone  
but we carry on  
'cause the little ones  
will need...

Christmas memories  
of happy years gone by  
They come back to me  
and keep me warm inside  
Oh  
they mean so much to me  
Those Christmas memories  
make me  
cry.

Those Christmas memories...  
"Make me cry".

