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BAPTIST CHURCH**  
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One Spirit



## Noiseless Miracle of God

**Series: [Christmas is a Time for Songs]**

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Luke 2:14 (KJV)

**14** Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Today, I want us to take a few minutes to look at these **three additional verses of Silent Night**, and let's consider the message they present. They remind us of the message of Christmas, which is to say that they remind us of the message of the gospel.

There are three truths found in these verses in which we can find the presence of God's grace.

First of all...

**1. God \_\_\_\_\_ Who Feel the Most Rejected.**

**Silent Night, Holy Night**  
**Here at last, healing light**  
**From the heavenly kingdom sent,**  
**Abundant grace for our intent.**

**Jesus, salvation for all. Jesus, salvation for all.**

There are three truths found in these verses in which we can find the presence of God's grace.

**2. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ even while we are unembraceable.**

Here's the **5th verse...**

**Silent Night! Holy Night**  
**Sleeps the world in peace tonight.**  
**God sends his Son to earth below**  
**A Child from whom all blessings flow**  
**Jesus, embraces mankind. Jesus, embraces mankind.**

There are three truths found in these verses in which we can find the presence of God's grace.

First of all...And that's because...

**3. The Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ even more than you understand yourself.**

**Silent Night, Holy Night**  
**Mindful of mankind's plight**  
**The Lord in Heaven on high decreed**  
**From earthly woes we would be freed**  
**Jesus, God's promise for peace. Jesus, God's promise for peace.**

**CONCLUSION** Application

**To enjoy peace is to be in harmony with God and self and others and things.**

**I. Christ gives us the peace of a clean heart.**

**II. Christ gives us the peace of a right relationship with God.**

**III. Christ gives us the peace of a Spirit-controlled life.**

**IV. Christ gives to us the peace of a proper attitude toward others.**

**V. Christ gives us the peace of a worthy purpose for living.**

**VI. Christ gives us the peace of adequate reserves for all situations.**

This is exactly what God has promised his people — the ability to end each crazy day with the peaceful rest of a silent night.

The world — your world — may be in turmoil, but here's the good news of the Christmas story, the heart of the gospel message: Here at last there's a healing light. Jesus comes to give salvation for all, he embraces you even when you're at worst, and he can calm the storm that rages around you — and even the storm that rages within you. Jesus came to bring you peace, to offer you a silent night in his presence, at the end of each hectic day.

He's mindful of your plight, and he embraces you in his mercy and compassion, and therein you can discover his healing light — the same salvation he extends to all he extends to you.

1. Loves Those. 2. Embraces Us. 3. Understands You.

**Rev. Joseph Mohr, 1816.**

**Verses 1, 2, 6 translated by Bishop [John Freeman Young](#) (1820-1885)**

**Text: Rev. J. Freeman Young, [Carols for Christmas Tide](#) (New York: 1859), No. 1**

**Verses 3-5 translated by *Silent Night* Historian William C. Egan**

**English translation of the six German verses distributed by the tourist office in Oberndorf, Austria.**

**Music: "Stille Nacht," Franz Xaver Gruber (1787-1863), circa 1818**

1. Silent night, holy night,  
All is calm all is bright,  
'Round yon virgin Mother and Child,  
Holy infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.  
Sleep in heavenly peace.

2. Silent night, holy night,  
Son of God, love's pure light.  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth;  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

3. Silent night, holy night,  
**Here at last, healing light,**  
From the heavenly kingdom sent,  
Abundant grace for our intent.  
Jesus, salvation for all.  
Jesus, salvation for all.

4. Silent night, holy night,  
Sleeps the world in peace tonight.  
God sends his Son to earth below,  
A Child from whom all blessings flow.

**Jesus embraces mankind.**

Jesus embraces mankind.

5. Silent night, holy night,  
**Mindful of mankind's plight,**  
The Lord in Heav'n on high decreed,  
From earthly woes we would be freed.  
Jesus, God's promise for peace.  
Jesus, God's promise for peace.

6. Silent night, holy night,  
Shepherds quake at the sight.  
Glories stream from heaven afar,  
Heav'nly hosts sing Alleluia;  
Christ the Savior is born.  
Christ the Savior is born.

### **Silent Night, Holy Night**

Originally there were 6 stanzas to "Silent Night, Holy Night". Following are these 6 stanzas, based on the familiar English translation, but yet faithful to the original.

**Stanza 4** celebrates freedom and peace. The year "Silent Night" was written, was the end of the Napoleonic Wars. Salzburg was the last state to be liberated and Mohr knew of the oppression and this stanza could reflect that.

**Stanza 5** reveals Mohr's progressive attitude. At that time, pre-Christian rituals were still in existence in that area. This verse suggests that Mohr believed in redemption from God, without a priest as intermediary.