

# I HEARD THE BELLS

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I heard the bells on Christ - mas day Their old fa-mi-liar car-ols play,

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8 I heard the bells on Christ - mas day Their old fa-mi-liar car-ols play,

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I heard the bells on Christ - mas day Their old fa-mi-liar car-ols play,

And wild and sweet their words re - peat,

And wild and sweet their words re-peat, And wild and sweet their words re-peat,

8 And wild and sweet their words re-peat, And wild and sweet their words re-peat,

Of peace on earth, good - will to men.

Of peace on earth, good - will to men, Of peace on earth, good - will to men.

8 Of peace on earth, good - will to men, Of peace on earth, good - will to men.\*

2 And thought how as the day had come  
The belfries of all Christendom  
Had rolled along th' unbroken song,  
Had rolled along th' unbroken song,  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men.

3 Till ringing, singing on the way,  
The world revolved from night to day,  
A voice, a chime, a chant sublime,  
A voice, a chime, a chant sublime,  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men.

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