

An Advent/Christmas Carol from the series 'Carols for a Caring World'

# ON A COLD, DARK NIGHT

(LORD OF THE EARTH)

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Expressively, with a sense of great mystery ♩=90



1. On a cold, dark, night, in a world full of dreams, Ev - 'ry



home lay still, hea-vy with sleep; But the poor kept watch and they



heard of a birth, And they came with hope, bring-ing their sheep,



To greet the Lord of the earth.

2. On a cold, dark, night, in a



world full of dreams, All the rich slept, warm, un- der their fur, But the wise kept



watch and they heard of a birth, And they came with gold, in- cense and myrrh,



To greet the Lord of the earth,

The new-born Lord of the earth!



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2 *div a 3:* **C** *Harmony parts optional*

*f* Ma - ran - a - tha!\_\_\_ *f* Ma - ran - a - tha!\_\_\_ In a wait - ing world,

Lord, we long for your birth. Ma - ran - a - tha!\_\_\_ Ma - ran -

a - tha!\_\_\_ *div a 2:* And we want to bring you a gift to ho - nour your birth,

*mp* O Lord of the earth.\_\_\_\_ *unis: pp* **D** 3. On a cold, dark night, in a

world full of dreams, Ev -'ry gift lies wrapped, shi - ning and new. But, if

we keep watch, we will hear of a birth, And our hearts will know what we can

*p* do *mp* To greet the Lord\_\_\_ of the earth,\_\_\_\_ *mf* The new - born Lord\_\_\_ of the

*div a 3:* *f* **E** earth!\_\_\_\_ Ma - ran - a - tha!\_\_\_ Ma - ran - a - tha!\_\_\_ In a

wait - ing world, Lord, we long for your birth. Ma - ran - a - tha!\_\_\_ Ma - ran