I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

Words: Henry W. Longfellow, 1863

Music: J. Baptiste Calkin, 1848



- 1. I heard the bells on Christ mas Day Their old fa mil iar car ols play,
- 2. I thought how, as the day had come, The bel-fries of all Christendom
- 3. And in de spair I bowed my head: "There is no peace on earth," I said,
- 4. Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: "God is not dead. nor doth He sleep;
- 5. Till, ring-ing, sing-ing on its way, The world re-volved from night to day,



And wild and sweet the words re-peat Of peace on earth, good-will to men. Had rolled a-long th'un-bro-ken song Of peace on earth, good-will to men. "For hate is strong, and mocks the song Of peace on earth, good-will to men." The wrong shall fail, the right pre-vail, With peace on earth, good-will to men." A voice, a chime, a chant sub-lime, Of peace on earth, good-will to men.

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