

Early on this morning

Easter Carol

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1. Ear - ly on this mor - ning a - ges long gone by, Went the ho - ly Ma-ry's where their Lord did lie,
2. Cold and still a star shone on de - part - ing night, While the far ho - ri - zon glowed with com-ing light;
3. On the stone tri-umph-ant, daz-zling in ar - ray, Sat an an - gel glo-rious who these words did say,
4. On this East-er morn-ing, a - ges long gone by, Sped on earth the tid-ings both a - far and nigh;

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1. Think-ing they should find him, in the dark-ened gloom, Think-ing he was ly-ing in the seal-ed tomb.
2. On - ward went the Ma-ry's to the se - pul-chre, Bear-ing pre-cious spi-ces and em-balm-ing myrrh.
3. "Why seek ye the liv - ing here a - mong the dead? Christ the Lord is ri - sen! thus it was he said;
4. While from age to a - ges still the tid-ings spread, "Christ the Lord is ri - sen, ri - sen from the dead!"

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1. Mourn-ful-ly they wen - ded lov-ing steps, and said, "Who will roll the great stone from the sac-red Dead?"
2. When as they drew near-er, what their dire dis - may, To be-hold the great stone rol - led quite a - way!
3. Be ye not af-fright - ed, but haste on your way, And tell his dis - ci - ples all the words I say."
4. Sing with voice ex-ult - ant, sing the glad re - frain, Sing it, young and a - ged, o'er and o'er a - gain!

1. An - gels saw them weep and mourn, An - gels went with them a - long,
 2. An - gel spi - rits pure and bright Saw with them the won - drous sight,
 3. Wing - ed le - gions swift - ly fly An - gels in the worlds on high
 4. An - gels on the air they tread, Sing the glad song o - ver - head.

1. Soft - ly sing - ing sweet - est song.
 2. While they sang with glad de - light.
 3. Bear the tid - ings through the sky.
 4. "Christ is ri - sen from the dead!"