

From Lands That See the Sun Arise

Neale / SAINT VENANTIUS



1. From lands that see the sun a - rise, to earth's re - mot - est bound - a - ries,
2. Blest au - thor of this earth - ly frame, to take a ser - vant's form he came,
3. In that chaste par - ent's ho - ly womb, ce - les - tial grace hath found its home:
4. The man - sion of the mod - est breast be - comes a shrine where God shall rest:
5. That Son, that roy - al Son she bore, whom Ga - briel's voice had told a - fore:
6. The man - ger and the straw he bore, the cra - dle did he not ab - hor:
7. The heav'n - ly cho - rus filled the sky, the an - gels sang to God on high,



1. the vir - gin born to - day we sing, the Son of Ma - ry, Christ the King.
2. that lib - er - at - ing flesh by flesh, whom he had made might live a - fresh.
3. and she, as earth - ly bride un - known, yet calls that off - spring blest her own.
4. the pure and un - de - fil - èd one con - ceiv - èd in her womb the Son.
5. whom, in his moth - er yet con - cealed, the in - fant Bap - tist had re - vealed.
6. a lit - tle milk his in - fant fare who feed - eth e'en each fowl of air.
7. what time to shep - herds watch - ing lone they made cre - a - tion's Shep - herd known.

Inspiration: "A solis ortus cardine"; Coelius Sedulius, died, ca. 450.
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Music: SAINT VENANTIUS; Rouen church melody, 16th or 17th cent., incl in Paris "Antiphoner", 1681.