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Key: G

William Y. Fullerton, 1929; music Alanna Glover

Intro

G C Em C

Verse 1

G C
I cannot tell why He whom angels worship,
G D
Should set His love upon the sons of men,
Em C
Or why, as Shepherd, He should seek the wand'ers,
G D G
To bring them back, they know not how or when.
Em C G
But this I know, that He was born of Mary
Em C D
When Bethl'hem's manger was His only home,
G C G Em
And that He lived at Nazareth and laboured,
G D G
And so the Saviour, Saviour of the world is come.

Interlude

G C Em C

Verse 2

G C
I cannot tell how silently He suffered,
G D
As with His peace He graced this place of tears,
Em C
Or how His heart upon the Cross was broken,
G D G
The crown of pain to three and thirty years.
Em C G
But this I know, He heals the broken-hearted,
Em C D
And stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear,
G C G Em
And lifts the burden from the heavy laden,
G D G
For yet the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is here.

Interlude

G C Em C

Verse 3

G C
I cannot tell how He will win the nations,
G D
How He will claim His earthly heritage,
Em C
How satisfy the needs and aspirations
G D G
Of east and west, of sinner and of sage.
Em C G
But this I know, all flesh shall see His glory,
Em C D
And He shall reap the harvest He has sown,
G C G Em
And some glad day His sun will shine in splendour
G D G
When He the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is known.

Interlude

G C Em C

Verse 4

G C
I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship,
G D
When, at His bidding, every storm is stilled,
Em C
Or who can say how great the jubilation
G D G
When all the hearts of men with love are filled.
Em C G
But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture,
Em C D
And myriad, myriad human voices sing,
G C G Em
And earth to heaven, and heaven to earth, will answer:
G D G
At last the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is King.

Outro

G C Em C G