

I danced in the morning
when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon
and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven
and I danced on the earth -
at Bethlehem I had My birth.

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He.
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said He.*

I danced for the scribe
and the pharisee
but they would not dance
and they wouldn't follow Me,
I danced for the fishermen,
for James and John -
they came with Me
and the dance went on.

I danced on the Sabbath
and I cured the lame.
The holy people
said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped
and they hung me high,
and they left me there
on the cross to die.

I danced on a Friday
when the sky turned black -
it's hard to dance
with the devil on your back;
they buried My body
and they thought I'd gone -
but I am the dance
and I still go on.

They cut me down
I leapt up high -
I am the life
that'll never, never die
I'll live in you
if you'll in me.
I am the Lord
of the dance, said He.