In the Bleak Midwinter

2. Our God, Heav’n cannot hold Him
nor earth sustain,
Heav’n and earth shall flee away.
When He comes to reign:
In the bleak midwinter
a stable pleace sufficed
the Lord God Almighty –
Jesus Christ.

3. Enough for Him, whom cherubim
worship night and day,
a breastful of milk
and a mangerful of hay.
Enough for Him, whom Angels
fall down before,
the ox and ass and camel
which adore.

4. Angels and archangels
may have gathered there,
cherubim and seraphim
thronged the air.
But only His Mother
in her maiden bliss
worshipped the Beloved
with a kiss.

5. What can I give Him,
poor as I am? –
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb.
If I were a wise man
I would do my part, –
Yet what I can I give Him, –
Give my heart.

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