



Welcome to  
Homestead Park  
United Methodist Church

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**Announcements**  
**~ This Week ~**



**Today**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**  
**~ Peace**  
**Holy Communion**



# The Parkview Towers Resident Activity Club

at the Met House are collecting  
items and monetary donations for  
the Bags of Grace. All donations  
are due by December 5<sup>th</sup>!

**BSA Troop 4 wants your shoes! Now collecting**

**gently worn shoes:**

***Men's, Women's,  
Children, and Baby***

**All types of shoes are  
welcome! This is a no  
money fundraiser.**



*weekly  
schedule*

**All are welcome!**

**Please contact the office  
for more information.**

**Sunday 11 am**

**Prayer Meeting** (Prayer Room)

**Sunday 5 pm**

**Girl Scouts** (Fellowship Hall)

**Monday 9<sup>30</sup> am**

**Tai Chi** (Fellowship Hall)

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**Monday 6<sup>30</sup> pm**

**Cub Scouts** (Fellowship Hall)

**Monday 7 pm**

**Boy Scouts** (4<sup>th</sup> Fl Annex Hall)

**Tuesday 10am**

**Line Dancers** (Fellowship Hall)

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**Tuesday 7 pm**

**Just Recovery** (Fellowship Hall)

**Friday 10 am**

**Line Dancers** (Fellowship Hall)

**Saturdays  
and Sundays**

**Homeless Ministry**  
(Fellowship Hall)



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# Upcoming Events



**Saturday 12/24/22 7 pm**  
**Christmas Eve**  
**Candlelight Service**

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# Other Announcements



# Opening Prayer (unison)

(Please stand as you are able)

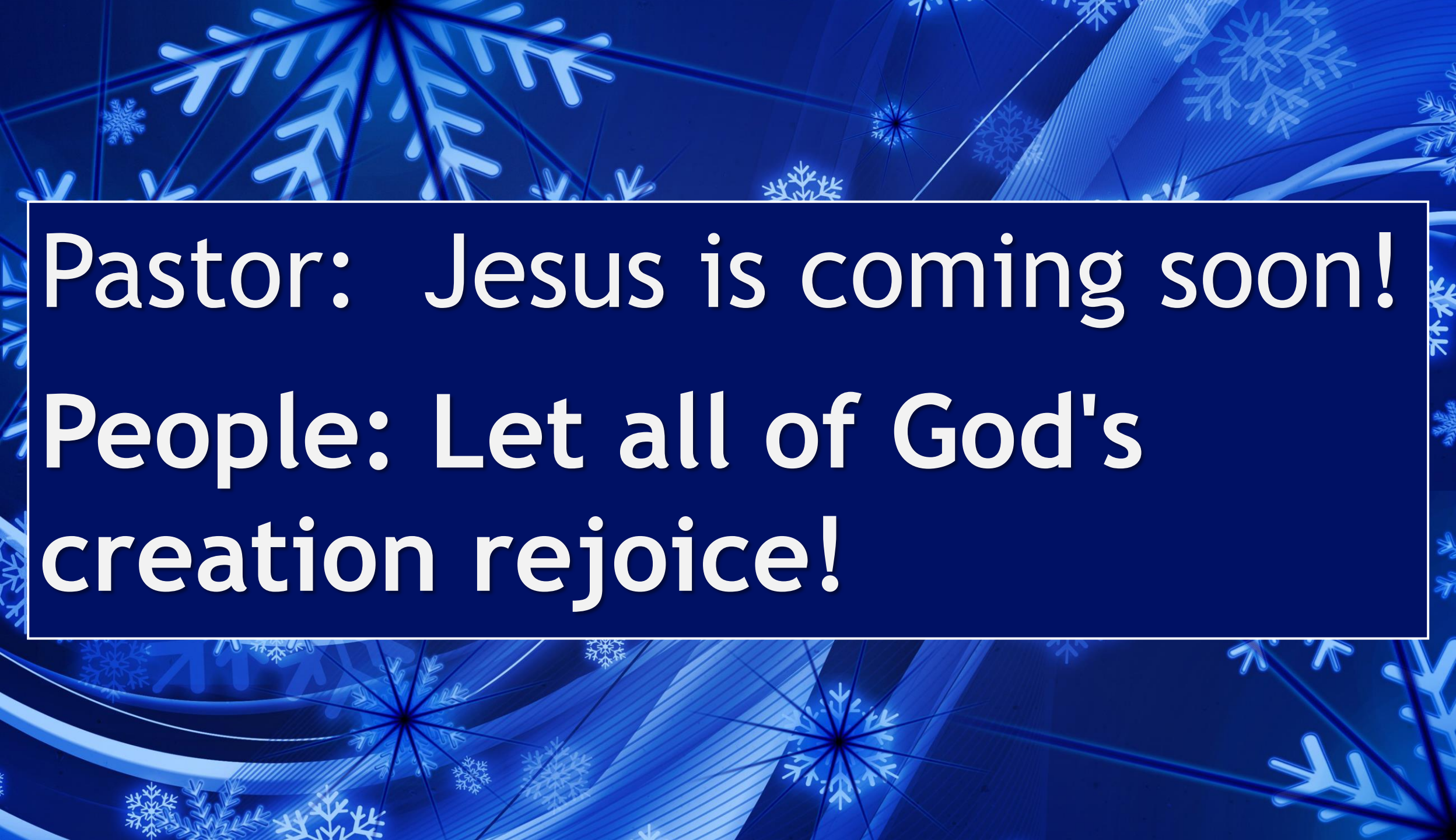
**Lord, righteousness makes a path for you into our lives. Let us hear your words to us this day. In other words, passionate love and consistent faithfulness come**

together. Right living for individuals and peace among communities join hands. Surround us with your grace on all sides, from above and below. Amen.



# Call to Worship (responsive)

(Please stand as you are able)



**Pastor: Jesus is coming soon!**  
**People: Let all of God's  
creation rejoice!**




# ADVENT

HOPE  PEACE



Lighting the Candle  
of Peace  
~ Alice Sedlak



Hymn of Praise:  
Come, Thou Long-  
Expected Jesus #196

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Come, thou long expected  
Jesus, Born to set thy  
people free; From our fears  
and sins release us,  
Let us find our rest in thee.

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Israel's strength and  
consolation, Hope of all the  
earth thou art; Dear desire  
of every nation, Joy of  
every longing heart.

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Born thy people to deliver,  
Born a child and yet a King,  
Born to reign in us forever,  
Now thy gracious kingdom  
bring.

By thine own eternal spirit  
rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all sufficient merit,  
raise us to thy glorious  
throne.



Church Center App



# Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

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# Doxology

(Please stand as you are able)



**Praise God from Whom all  
blessings flow. Praise Him all  
creatures here below. Praise  
Him above, ye, heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy  
Ghost. Amen.**



# Prayer of Dedication

(Please stand as you are able)

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# Our Time of Prayer

The background is a deep blue color, decorated with numerous snowflake patterns in various shades of blue and white. The snowflakes are of different sizes and designs, some appearing as simple outlines and others as more detailed, crystalline structures. A prominent white rectangular box is centered horizontally and vertically, containing the text "The Lord's Prayer" in a white, elegant, serif font. The overall aesthetic is clean and festive, suitable for a religious or seasonal presentation.

# The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom  
come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive  
those who trespass against us. Lead us not  
into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**



Hymn #70  
Glory be to the Father

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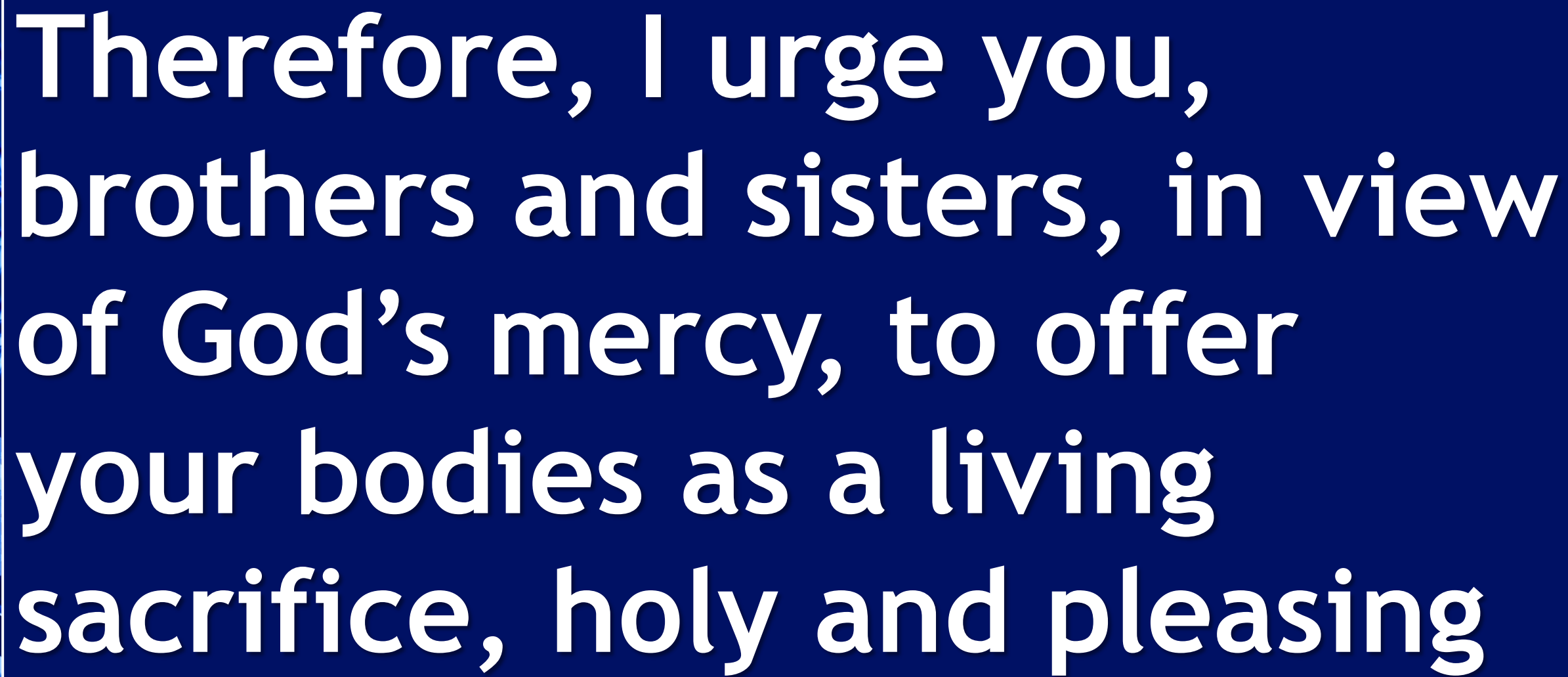
Glory be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Holy  
Ghost; as it was in the  
beginning, is now, and ever  
shall be, world without end.  
Amen. Amen.

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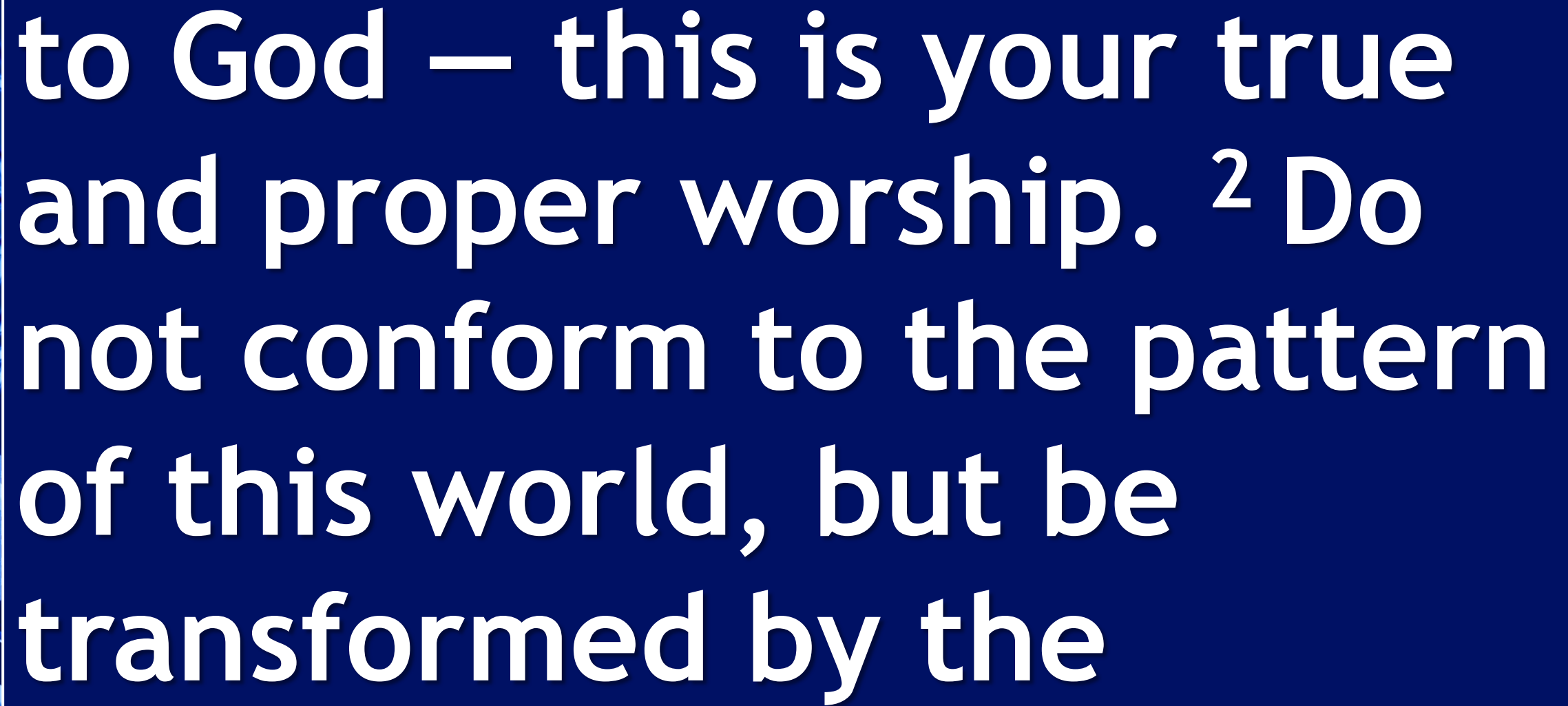


**Our Scripture**  
**Romans 12: 1-2 NIV**

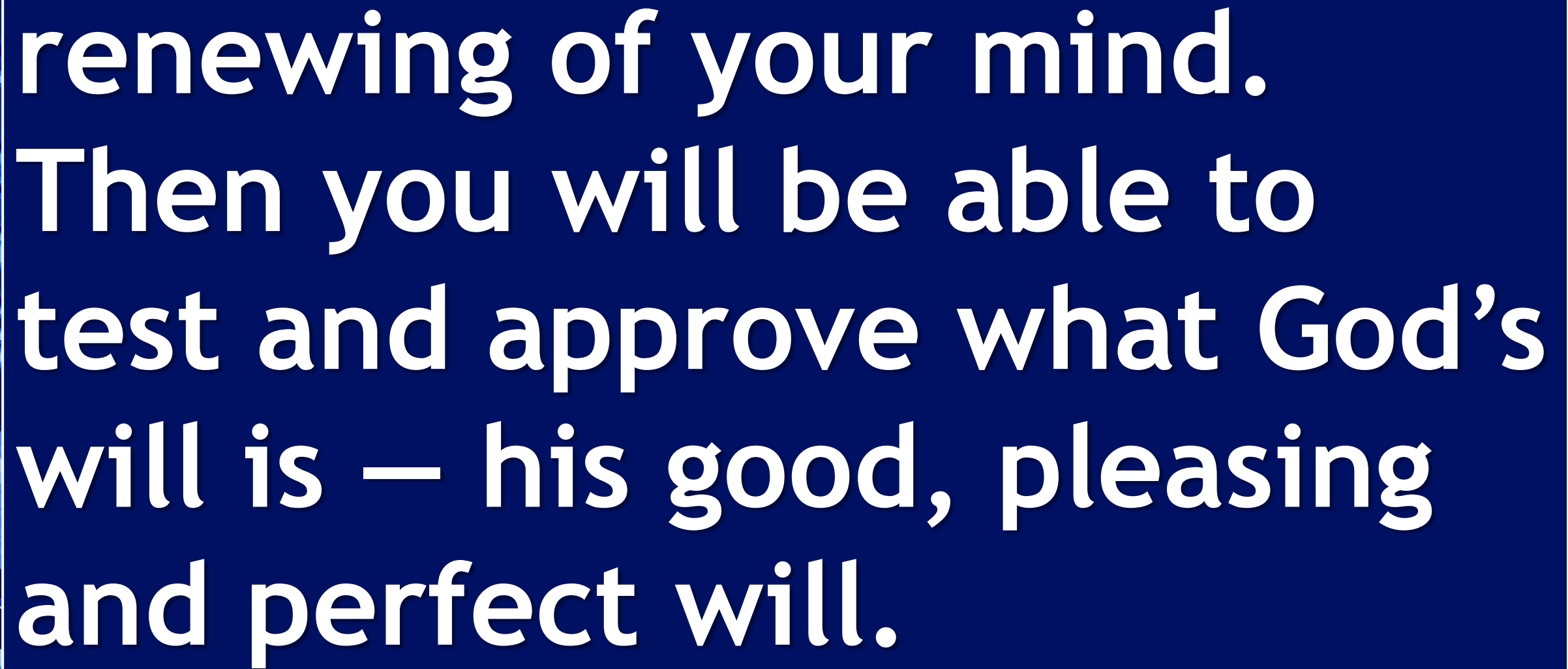




**Therefore, I urge you,  
brothers and sisters, in view  
of God's mercy, to offer  
your bodies as a living  
sacrifice, holy and pleasing**



to God — this is your true  
and proper worship. <sup>2</sup> Do  
not conform to the pattern  
of this world, but be  
transformed by the

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**renewing of your mind.  
Then you will be able to  
test and approve what God's  
will is — his good, pleasing  
and perfect will.**



Message

# What Does God Want?

Pastor Don Kephart

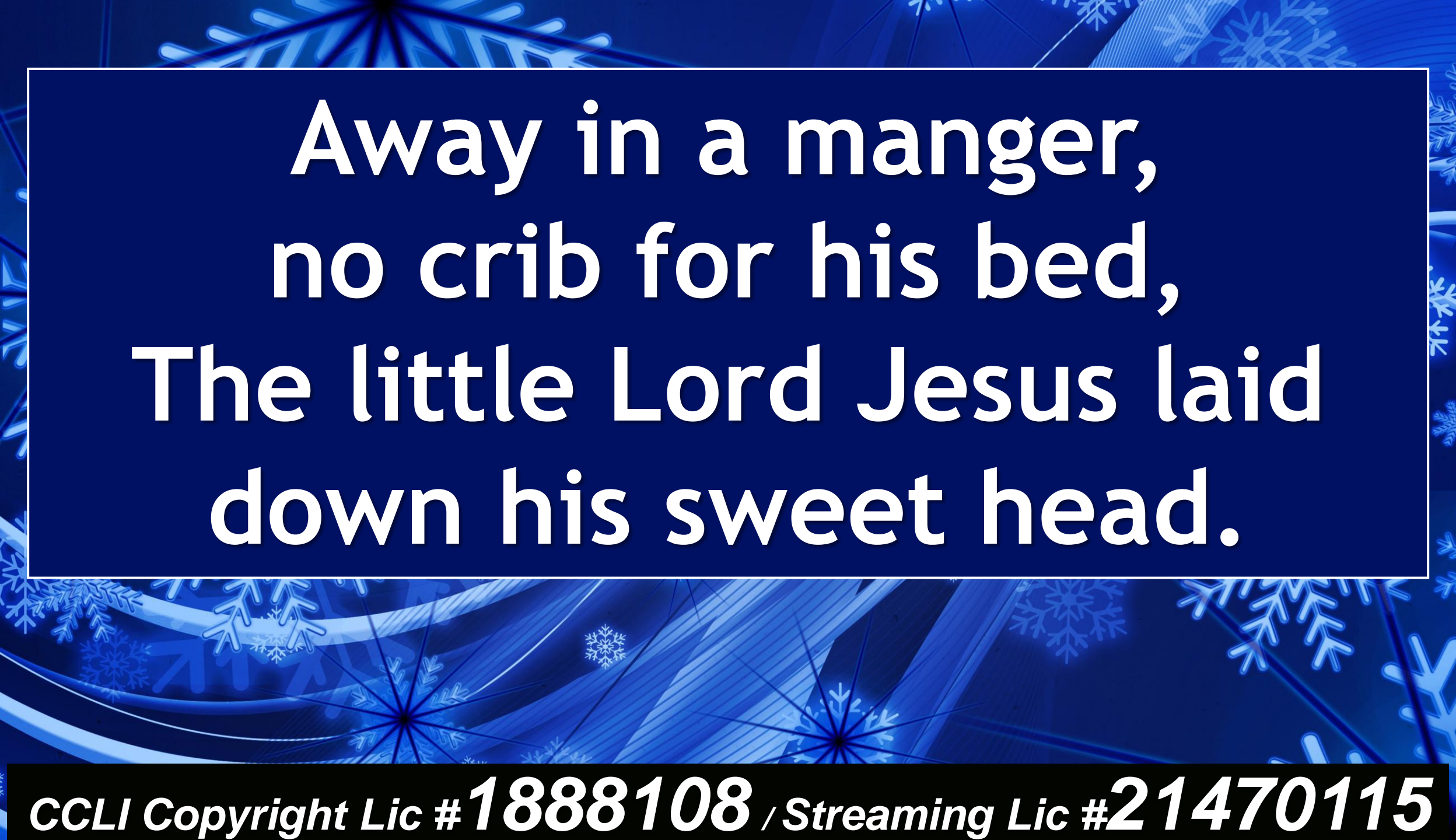


**Holy Communion**  
**Page 12 in Hymnal**



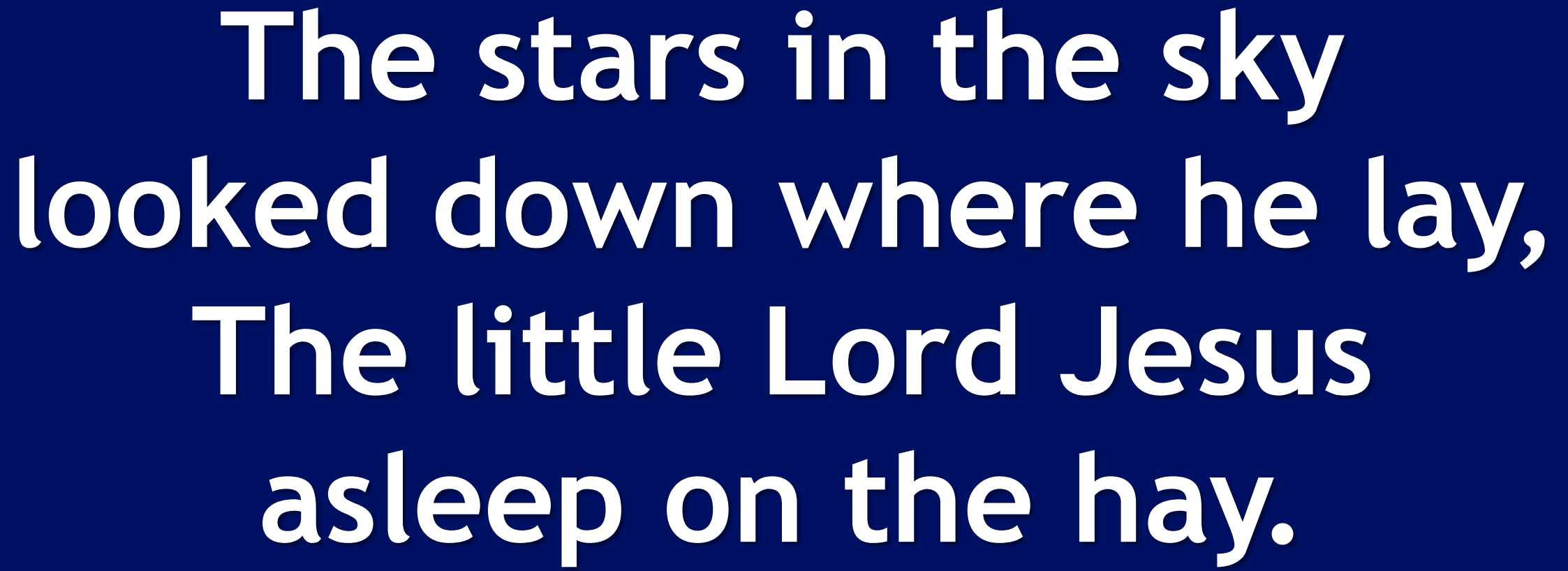
Hymn of Dedication  
Away in the Manger  
#217

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Away in a manger,  
no crib for his bed,  
The little Lord Jesus laid  
down his sweet head.

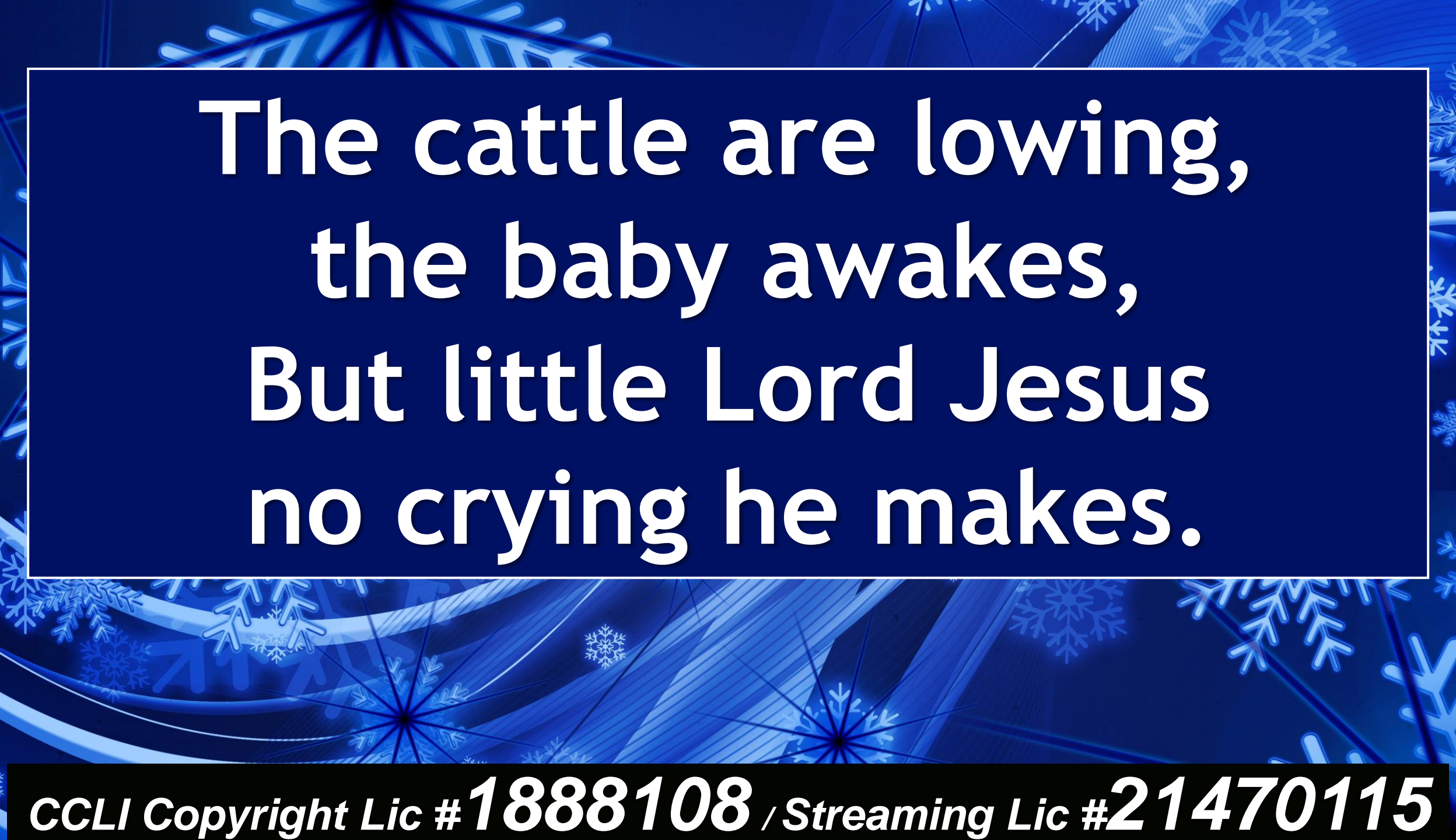
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The stars in the sky  
looked down where he lay,  
The little Lord Jesus  
asleep on the hay.

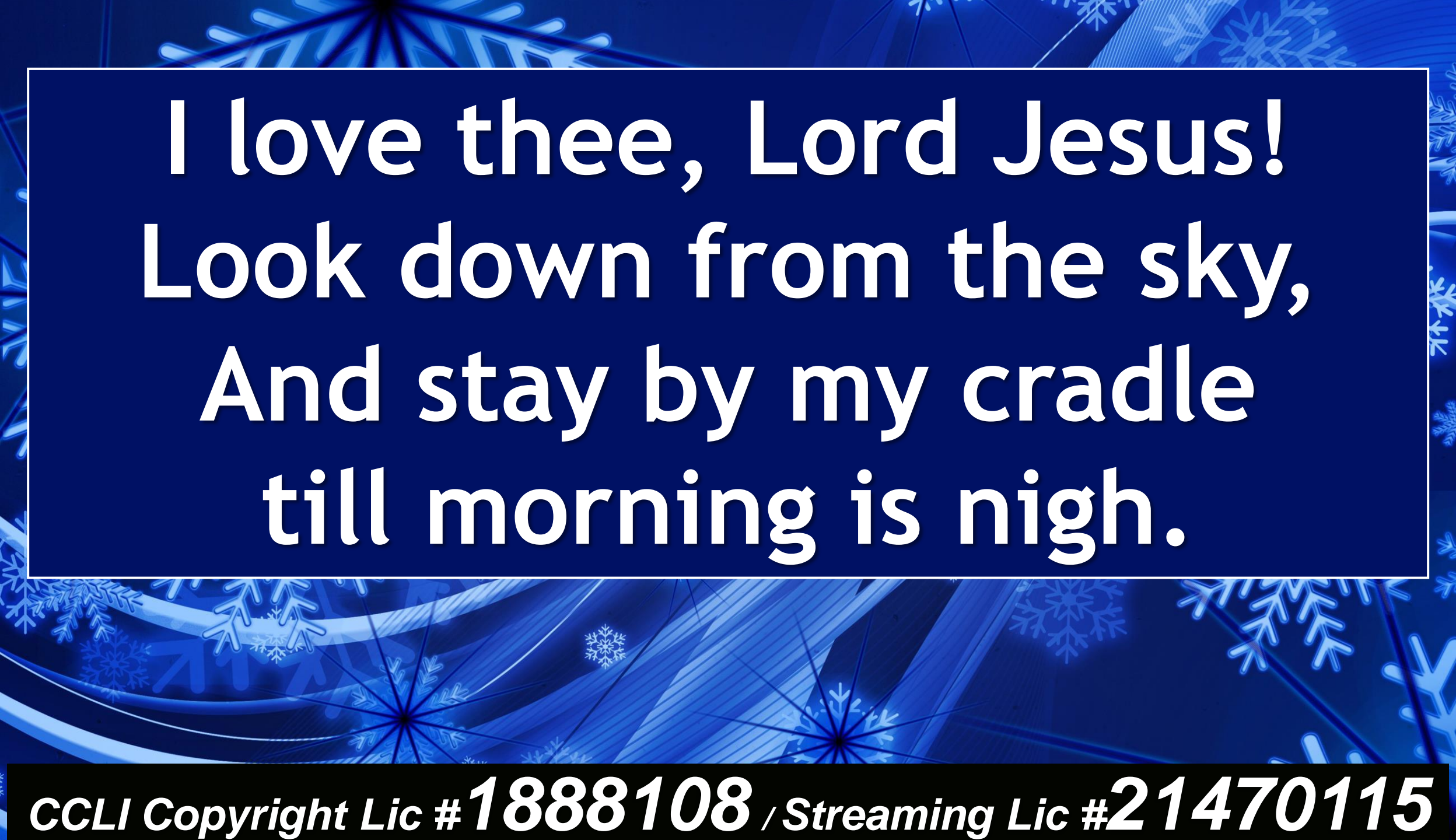
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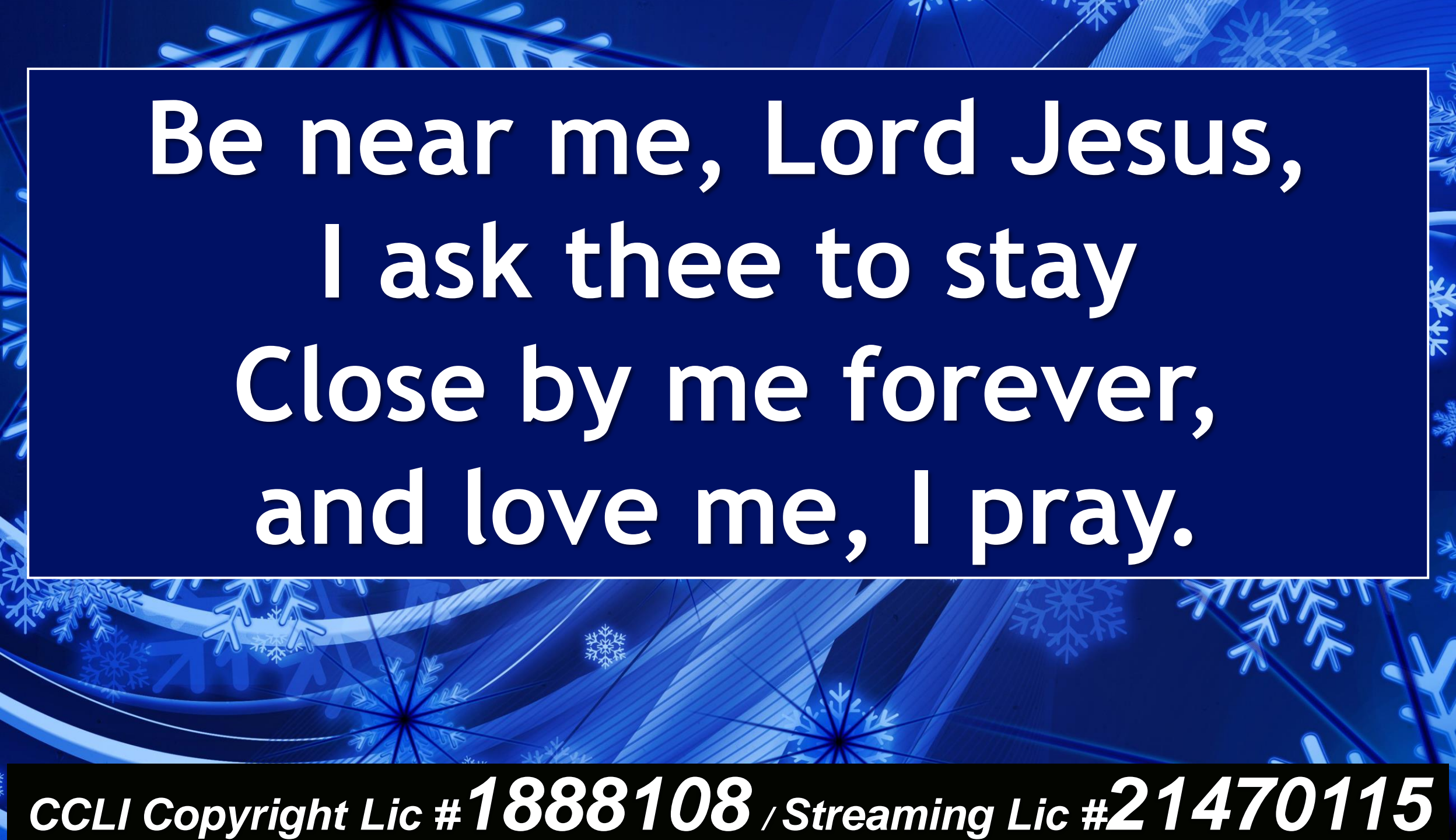
The cattle are lowing,  
the baby awakes,  
But little Lord Jesus  
no crying he makes.

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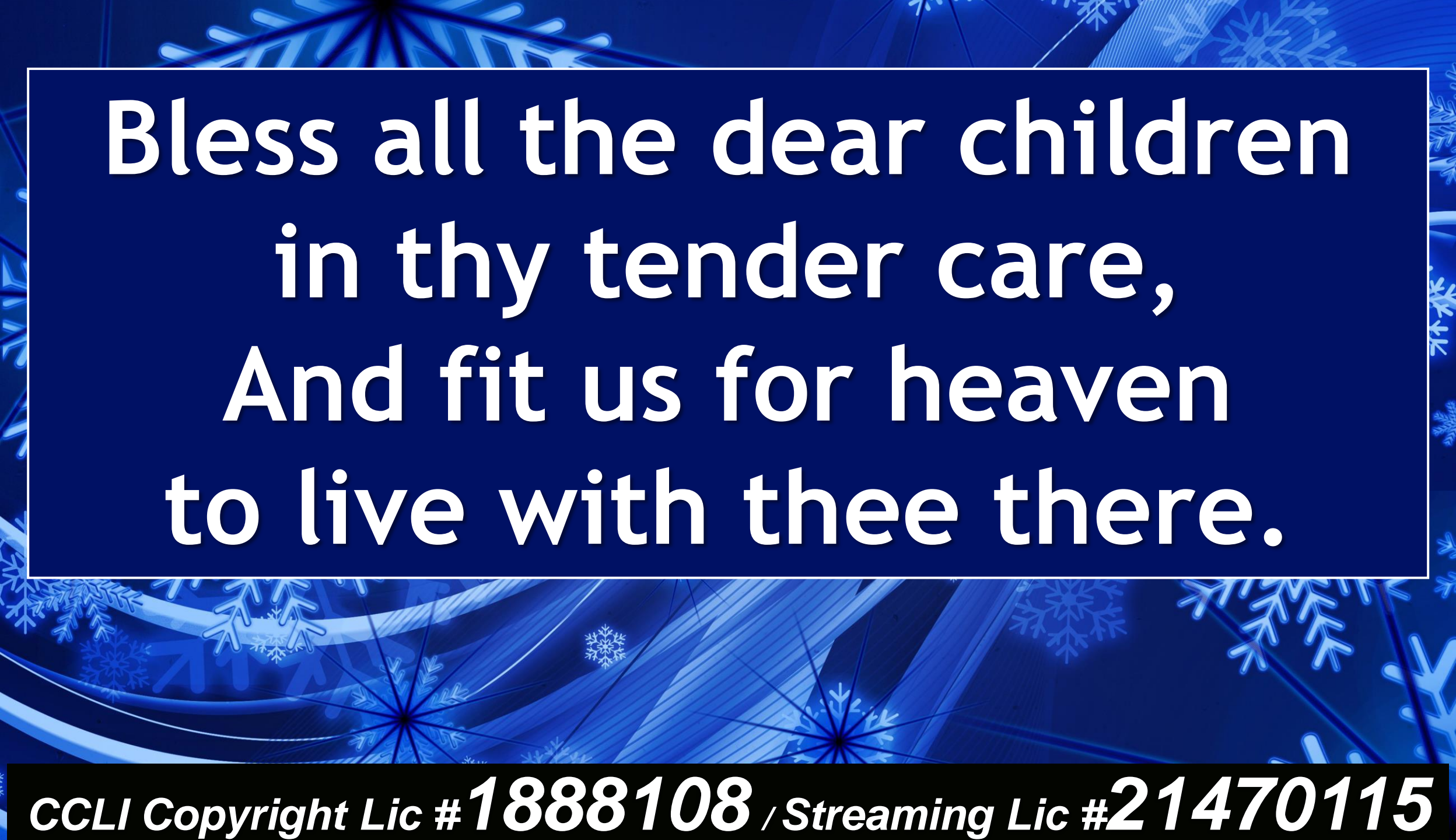
**I love thee, Lord Jesus!  
Look down from the sky,  
And stay by my cradle  
till morning is nigh.**

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Be near me, Lord Jesus,  
I ask thee to stay  
Close by me forever,  
and love me, I pray.

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**Bless all the dear children  
in thy tender care,  
And fit us for heaven  
to live with thee there.**

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# Benediction

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Thank you for joining  
us in worship!