1) In-clining un-to His own ten-der com-pas-sions,
now the Mak-er tak-eth pit-ty on what He hath formed
and mak-eth haste to dwell in the womb of the pure Maid-en
and Child of God. Hence, the Arch-an-gel came down
to her and ad-dressed her thus: Re-joice, O graced of God;
our God is with thee now: fear me not, who am the lead-er
and chief com-mand-er of all the King's ar-ray-s.

For thou hast found the grace that long a-go

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Eve thy foremother lost; and thou shalt conceive
and shalt give birth hereafter to the Father's substantial Son.

2) Thy words are strange, so is also thine appearance;
strange is what thou sayest and the tidings thou hast brought.

Thus to the Angel did Mary speak. I am a maiden
and have not known wedlock; lead me not astray.

Thou didst tell me that I shall conceive the One Who is
uncircumscribable; yet how shall my womb contain Him.
Whom all the breadth of the Heavens cannot hold?

O Virgin, let the tent of Abraham, which contained God within it instruct thee now;

it prefigured aforetime thine all pure and God receiving womb.

3) Reaching the city of Nazareth with all speed, now Archangel Gabriel saluteth thee, who art the living City of Christ the King, and criest to thee:

Rejoice, O thou who art blest and graced of God;
thou shall bear in thine all-holy womb our God made flesh;
and He, through thee, for His mercy's sake, shall call back mankind unto its ancient estate, O spotless Maid.
Blessed in truth is the immortal Fruit, all revered and divine, of thy blessed womb,
Who abundantly granteth His great mercy to the world through thee.