1) Let us all honor the forefather of the Most High God, even the great King David, for from him there is come forth a rod, even the Virgin, and of her in truth Christ the Flower is risen up, Who from corruption hath rescued Adam and Eve, in His mercy forming them anew.

2) Joseph, the Virgin’s betrothed, clearly saw in deep old age the things the Prophets foretold now fulfilled manifestly, when a strange betrothal fell unto his lot, and when Angels instructed him,
as they cried: Glory to God, for upon the earth

He hath given peace to all mankind.

3) Let us all honor the Brother of God with songs and hymns, who was a worthy hierarch, and with venerable courage shone in holy martyrdom; now by his prayers, O Lord Jesus, our only God, Thou Who wast swaddled within a manager and cave, save all them that sing Thy praise with hymns.

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