

I thought one day, as I was walking home, that “Silent Night” could be used to express the tragedy and triumph of Easter. So, I’ve given new words to the wonderful tune, hoping to capture the changing emotions wrought by the greatest miracle.

### **Song for Good Friday Night**

Silent night, woeful night  
Dark victorious over Light  
Despair and hopelessness spring bitter tears  
Loss and abandonment kindle deep fears  
Jesus died on the cross  
Jesus died on the cross.

Silent night, woeful night  
Evil triumphed over Right  
Friends who’d followed the Master throughout  
Now hiding fearfully, riddled with doubt  
Jesus lies in the tomb  
Jesus lies in the tomb.

### **Song for Easter Morning**

Blessed night, holy night  
Angels guard empty site  
Hope rekindling, slow but sure  
Building faith that will ever endure  
As it was written – Amen!  
As it was written – Amen!

Blessed night, holy night  
All is changed, all is right  
Glories stream from Heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing Hallelujah  
Jesus is risen indeed!  
Jesus is risen indeed!