It was on Christmas day
Words and Music: Traditional English Carol
Collected by R. Vaughan Williams in Derbyshire

1. It was on Christmas day,
And all in the morning,
Our Saviour was born,
And our Heavenly King;
And was not this a joyful thing,
And sweet Jesus they called Him by name.

2. It was on New Year's Day
And all in the morning,
They circumcised our Saviour
And our Heavenly King; Refrain
And was not this a joyful thing,
And sweet Jesus they called Him by name.

3. It was on Twelfth Day
And all in the morning,
The Wise Men were led
To our Heavenly King; Refrain
And was not this a joyful thing,
And sweet Jesus they called Him by name.

4. It was on Twentieth Day
And all in the morning,
The Wise Men returned
From our Heavenly King; Refrain
And was not this a joyful thing,
And sweet Jesus they called Him by name.

5. It was on Candlemas Day
And all in the morning,
They visited the Temple
With our Heavenly King; Refrain
And was not this a joyful thing,
And sweet Jesus they called Him by name.

6. It was on Holy Wednesday
And all in the morning,
That Judas Betrayed
Our dear Heavenly King; Refrain
And was not this a joyful thing,
And sweet Jesus they called Him by name.

7. It was on Sheer Thursday
And all in the morning,
They plaited a crown of thorns,
For our Heavenly King; Refrain
And was not this a joyful thing,
And sweet Jesus they called Him by name.

8. It was on Good Friday
And all in the morning,
They crucified our Saviour
And our Heavenly King; Refrain
And was not this a joyful thing,
And sweet Jesus they called Him by name.

9. It was on Easter Day
And all in the morning,
Our Saviour arose
Our own Heavenly King;
And was not this a joyful thing,
And sweet Jesus they called Him by name.

They sun and the moon
They did both rise with Him
And sweet Jesus we'll call Him by name.