Nativity Rap

Chapter 2

Jesus is born

¹Back in the day of Caesar Augustus
He decreed to proceed with an empirical census

²The <u>first</u> while Qui<u>rin</u>ius was the <u>Syr</u>ian ne<u>x</u>us ³To en<u>list</u> and in<u>sist</u> that people <u>get</u> on the ne<u>xt</u> bus

<u>Back</u> to the <u>shack</u> where in <u>fact</u> they <u>came</u> from (The <u>em</u>pire striking <u>back</u> to <u>boost</u> their <u>in</u>come)

⁴'Cause <u>Jo</u>seph was a <u>me</u>mber of <u>Da</u>vid's <u>kin</u> (*He*) made a <u>steer</u> for Ju<u>dea</u> to <u>Be</u>thle<u>hem</u>

He went <u>down</u> from the <u>town</u> of <u>Nazareth in Galilee</u> ⁵<u>Ta</u>king his fi<u>an</u>cée, Mary near de<u>li</u>very

⁶And <u>during</u> their st<u>ay</u>, nature <u>had</u> its w<u>ay</u> Put the date in the diary for a King's birthday

⁷While <u>out</u> in the <u>ball</u>park she <u>hit</u> home <u>run</u> 'Cause Mary gave birth to her firstborn son

No <u>ho</u>tel, <u>mo</u>tel, <u>cus</u>tom baby-<u>cha</u>nger She <u>wra</u>pped the <u>ba</u>by up and <u>laid</u> him in a <u>ma</u>nger

The angels appear to the shepherds

⁸<u>Meanwhile, 8-mile, shepherds in the wild style</u> De<u>fending the sheep from night</u>-time <u>ho</u>stile

⁹<u>To</u> their sur<u>pr</u>ise, <u>co</u>ming from the <u>skies</u> An <u>angel</u> of the <u>Lord</u> did ma<u>te</u>rialise

Like <u>ligh</u>tning, God's <u>glo</u>ry was <u>brightening</u> Lit <u>up</u> like <u>day</u>, the <u>angel</u> was <u>frightening</u>

10"Chill <u>out</u> my <u>frie</u>nds, there's no <u>need</u> for trepi<u>da</u>tion I've got a <u>mes</u>sage for the <u>world</u> and it's elation information

Be de<u>lighted</u> and ex<u>ci</u>ted, the <u>ro</u>cket's been ig<u>ni</u>ted The party has started and you have been invited

¹¹To<u>day</u> In Bethle<u>hem</u> (that's <u>Da</u>vid's to<u>wn</u>) A <u>boy</u> has been <u>born</u> who will <u>wear</u> the crown

He's the <u>saviour</u> and the <u>Lord</u>, there's <u>no</u> one <u>higher</u> God's a<u>noi</u>nted <u>One</u>, we're <u>tal</u>king Mes<u>si</u>ah

¹²But you require a sign from this divine arranger Look for a baby snuggled in a manger"

¹³The <u>angel</u> was <u>joi</u>ned by his <u>he</u>avenly <u>ga</u>ng Praising <u>God</u>, holy squ<u>ad</u>, the <u>mul</u>titude sa<u>ng</u>

¹⁴"Glory to God above time and space Peace to the people that he turns his face"

¹⁵The <u>ang</u>els were <u>go</u>ne, yes they'd <u>fin</u>ished their s<u>ong</u> The <u>she</u>pherds had a <u>chat</u> about the <u>hea</u>venly thr<u>ong</u>

"Let's <u>go</u> to Bethle<u>hem</u> and <u>see</u> this occ<u>as</u>ion The <u>Lord</u> has re<u>por</u>ted, we need <u>little</u> per<u>sua</u>sion"

¹⁶So they <u>hur</u>ried to the <u>vi</u>llage to find <u>Jo</u>seph and M<u>a</u>ry <u>Ly</u>ing in the <u>fee</u>ding trough was the <u>mi</u>racle b<u>a</u>by

¹⁷After <u>what</u> they had se<u>en</u> of the na<u>ti</u>vity sc<u>ene</u> They started spilling the beans like a coffee machine

So, <u>un</u>deter<u>red</u>, the shepherds spr<u>ea</u>d the wo<u>r</u>d

18The <u>pe</u>ople were a<u>ma</u>zed at the <u>sto</u>ry that they <u>hea</u>rd

¹⁹But <u>Mary was smart</u>, kept these <u>things</u> in her h<u>ear</u>t <u>Pondering and wondering</u>, reliving this part

²⁰And with <u>hea</u>rts that <u>bur</u>ned, the <u>she</u>pherds ret<u>ur</u>ned <u>Praising holy God</u> for the <u>thi</u>ngs they had le<u>ar</u>ned

About <u>all</u> they had se<u>en</u>, wonderful <u>thi</u>ngs that had be<u>en</u> All w<u>o</u>rking to<u>ge</u>ther like an <u>oil</u>ed ma<u>chi</u>ne

²¹And <u>Eig</u>ht days <u>later</u> he was <u>cir</u>cumc<u>ise</u>d Re<u>cei</u>ved, pre-con<u>cei</u>ved, the name the <u>ang</u>el had adv<u>ise</u>d

We <u>use</u> the Greek <u>ver</u>sion of the <u>He</u>brew and <u>thus</u> A <u>name</u> that means salvation from <u>God</u> - Jesus