

Go Tell It on the Mountain

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African-American spiritual
 Arr. John W. Work II, 1907

Luke 2:8-20; Isa. 18:3; 52:7

Refrain

G D7 G

Go tell it on the moun - tain, o - ver the hill and ev - ery - where.

Last time, end

G Em C G/D D7 G

Go tell it on the moun - tain, that Je - sus Christ is born!

G D7 G

1 While shep - herds kept their watch - ing o'er si - lent flocks by night,
 2 The shep - herds feared and trem - bled when lo! a - bove the earth
 3 Down in a low - ly man - ger the hum - ble Christ was born,

to Refrain

G A7 D7

Be - hold through - out the heav - ens there shone a ho - ly light.
 Rang out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
 And God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

This is one of the few spirituals heard inside as well as outside African-American churches. It was adapted by John Wesley Work II, who is remembered as the director of the Jubilee Singers of Fisk University.

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