

The First Nowell

♩ = 108 A♭ A♭ Fm E♭ B♭m A♭ Cm D♭ A♭ D♭ E♭7

1. The first No - well the an - gel did say was to
 2. They look - ed up light and saw a star, shin-ing
 3. And by the light of that same star, three

6 A♭ Gdim7 A♭ D♭ Gdim A♭ E♭7 A♭ E♭7

cer - tain poor shep - herds, in fields as they lay, in
 in the east be yond them far, and
 ma - gi came from coun - try far; to

10 A♭ Fm E♭ sus E♭ B♭m A♭ Cm D♭ A♭ D♭ E♭7

fields to seek where the a king lay it was keep - ing their great in - tent, sheep, lights, and on a and to

Words: English carol

Music: William Sandy's Christmas Carols Ancient and Modern, 1833, harmony by John Steainer, 1840-1901

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 Irregular with refrain

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A \flat Gdim7 A \flat D \flat Gdim A \flat E \flat 7 A \flat E \flat 7

cold win - ter's night that was so deep.
so it con - tin - ued both day and night. No -
fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.

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A \flat Fm Cm A \flat D \flat A \flat E \flat A \flat D \flat A \flat Gdim A \flat E \flat 7 A \flat

- well, No - well, No - well, No - well, born is the king of Is - ra - el.