

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots...
which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious. Isa. 11:1,10

1. Lo, how a Rose e'er bloom - ing From ten - der stem hath sprung!
2. I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, The Rose I have in mind;
3. This Flow'r, whose fra-grance ten - der With sweet-ness fills the air,

Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing, As men of old have sung.
With Ma - ry we be - hold it, The vir - gin moth - er kind.
Dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor The dark-ness eve - ry - where.

It came, a flow'r-et bright, A - mid the cold of win - ter, When half spent was the night.
To show God's love a - right, She bore to men a Sav - ior, When half spent was the night.
True man, yet ve - ry God, From sin and death He saves us, And light - ens eve - ry load.

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