

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Christmas Day

Reading: Lk.2,8-20

V.10 *"But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.'"*

'Lord, you were rich beyond all splendour,  
yet, for love's sake, became so poor;  
leaving our throne in glad surrender,  
sapphire-paved courts for stable floor:  
Lord, you were rich beyond all splendour,  
yet for love's sake, became so poor.

'You are our God beyond all praising,  
yet, for love's sake, became a man;  
stooping so low, but sinners raising  
heavenwards, by your eternal plan:  
you are our God, beyond all praising,  
yet for love's sake, became a man.

'Lord, you are love beyond all telling;  
Saviour and King, we worship you;  
Emmanuel, within us dwelling,  
make us and keep us pure and true:  
Lord, you are love beyond all telling,  
Saviour and King, we worship you.'

Frank Houghton (1894-1972)