



Jonathan Dove

I am the day

Unaccompanied choir

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I am the day soon to be born.

I am the sprig from the root of David and the bright star of the morning

I am the alpha and the omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end

first line from *The legend of St. Christopher*; then Revelation, 22:16, 13

Rejoice, rejoice Emmanuel

O come, o come Emmanuel