

**Here are the words to “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.”**

**There are 7 verses, but we sing just one verse when we light the Advent wreath each night.**

**During the *Holy Heroes Advent Adventure*, we’ll explain the meaning of what are commonly called the “O Antiphons” which make up the first lines of each verse.**

O Come, O come, Emmanuel,  
And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear.

*Refrain:*

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

O come, Thou Wisdom, from on high,  
And order all things far and nigh;  
To us the path of knowledge show,  
And teach us in her ways to go.

*Refrain*

O come, o come, Thou Lord of might,  
Who to thy tribes on Sinai's height  
In ancient times did give the law  
In cloud, and majesty, and awe.

*Refrain*

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse's stem  
From ev'ry foe deliver them  
That trust Thy mighty power to save,  
And give them vict'ry o'er the grave.

*Refrain*

O come, Thou Key of David, come,  
And open wide our heav'nly home,  
Make safe the way that leads on high,  
That we no more have cause to sigh.

*Refrain*

O come, Thou Dayspring from on high,  
And cheer us by thy drawing nigh;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
And death's dark shadow put to flight.

*Refrain*

O come, Desire of nations, bind  
In one the hearts of all mankind;  
Bid every strife and quarrel cease  
And fill the world with heaven's peace.

*Refrain*

