

# Carly Simon, The Night Before Christmas

(Carly Simon)

Children carry through the streets  
A brilliant painted star  
Angels gather 'round the hearth  
Strumming on guitars  
Men of great renown and faith  
Say prayers on boulevards  
It's the night before Christmas

But you don't have to be an angel  
To sing harmony  
And you don't have to be a child  
To love the mystery  
And you don't have to be a wise man  
On bended knee  
The heart of this Christmas is in you and me

The night before Christmas  
The night before Christmas

If you're heart's been longing  
And you've been afraid to try  
Sorrow's kept you company  
And the dance has passed you by  
I'll lift you up and blaze with you  
Across the moonlit sky  
On the night before Christmas

'Cause you don't have to be an angel  
To sing in harmony  
And you don't have to be a child to love the mystery  
And you don't have to be a wise man  
On bended knee

The heart of this Christmas is in you and me  
The heart of this Christmas is in you and me

The night before Christmas  
The night before Christmas