

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

Dulcimer - DAD

Traditional English
Henry W. Longfellow, 1863
J. Baptiste Calkin, 1872

	D				Ddim7		A7		Bdim7	
	I	heard	the	bells	on	Christ - mas	day	Their		
T	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	
A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6+	
B	0	2	2	2	2	3	2	3	0	
	D				A7		D		G	
	old	fa - mil - iar	car - ols	play,	And	wild	and	sweet	the	
T	0	0	0	0	3	3	3	0	0	0
A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
B	4	7	6+	5	5	4	4	4	4	3
	F#		Bm		E7		D		Em7	
	words	re - peat	Of	peace	on	earth,	good	will	to	men.
T	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	1
A	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	3	2	0
B	2	1	0	1	2	3	4	5	1	1

I thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had roll'd along th'un broken song
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,
With peace on earth, good will to men."

And in despair I bow'd my head:
"There is no peace on earth," I said,
"For hate is strong and mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men."

Note on music: There is no f-natural on the dulcimer so the note is ignored and f# substituted.

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[p = thumb; i = index; m = middle; a = ring; c = pinky]

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