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chief landmark and cornerstone

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Make ready, said the prophet long ago  
Make ready, prepare your heart  
Make him a cradle, make him an altar  
Make him a psalm.  
Let all the desert bloom.  
Find him a shelter, lend him a stable  
Let all the cattle kneel  
Before the Author of the Universe,  
The Shepherd of the Milky Way,  
Creator of the poinsettia and the mistletoe.  
Pity the poor unready world...  
They know not what they do.

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