

Ring out the Old, Ring in the New

Words by Alfred Tennyson (1850) ~ Music by John B. Calkin (1872)

D A7

Ring out the old, ring in the new, Ring

D / F D / A7 D A7 E7

D G A F#m Bm

hap - py bells a - cross the snow; the year is go - ing,

D / A7 G / A / / F#m Em Bm Em

F#m Bm G D A D

let him go; Ring out the false, ring in the true.

F#m Em Bm G D G D G A D /

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light:
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife,
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweet manners, purer laws.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.