

THE CHRISTMAS TREE
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**A pine or a fir
Is not the true Christmas tree,
But a rough hewn cross
On the hill of Calvary.**

**When God sent His Son
On that first Christmas Day,
He knew that the cross
Was the price He must pay**

**To purchase forgiveness
That all men might be free
From sin and from guilt
Because of that "Christmas" tree.**

**So this Christmas season,
As your tree you adorn,
Remember the meaning
Of that first Christmas morn.**

**When you look at your tree
With its bright, festive dress,
Let it remind you
Of how greatly you're blessed.**

**Let it symbolize hope
Of the glory to come
When the whole world will see
The return of God's Son.**