Lord Of The Dance

Traditional Shaker Tune

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   C
I danced in the morning when the world was begun
       F                        G
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun.
   C
I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth
    F     G      C    G   C
At Bethlehem I had my birth.
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CHORUS:

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"Dance, then, wherever you may be.
                         F              G7
For I am the Lord of the Dance."  said he,
C
"And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be.
         F      G7        C      F    C
And I'll lead you all in the dance." said he.
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I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee.
But they would not dance and they would not follow me.
I danced for the fisherman, for James and John.
They came with me and the dance went on.

CHORUS

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame.
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped me and stripped me and hung me high.
And then they left me on a cross to die.

CHORUS

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black.
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and thought that I'd gone.
But I am the dance and I still go on.

CHORUS

They cut me down and I lept up high.
I am the life that will never, never die.
I'll live in you, if you'll live in me.
"For I am the Lord of the Dance." said he.

CHORUS