

## Silent Night

*Justin Kauflin Music 2017*

Solo Christmas album with special guest, Jacob Collier on vocals (#3)

### Liner Notes

When I lost my vision, two aspects of my life took center stage: My Catholic faith and music. Music has been an outlet through which I've been able to share my experiences, but most especially my relationship with Christ. Any time I've felt the need to pray, my first instinct has been to sit at the piano. I've never been great with words, so music has allowed me to simply be with God and present my prayers more purely.

One wonderful gift of music is that it allows all of us to take a break and reflect on the things that are most important. When I'm at my best, God has been that focus. When adoring Christ, all worries and sorrows pale in comparison.

This little Christmas project is an invitation to join me in a moment of prayer and meditation. It is a collection of improvisations and arrangements centered on Christ, and I sincerely hope it can bring a bit of peace and respite to those kind enough to listen. Merry Christmas and God bless.

PS Just a side note about the artwork. I've asked my most favorite nieces and nephews to contribute their talents and they graciously accepted. A big thank you goes to Noah, Ashton, Zoe and Lana

### A Note from Quincy Jones:

Sometimes, life takes unexpected turns, & we often find ourselves in painful situations that we never could have prepared ourselves for. We all have different "curve balls" & some may have more than others...however, I truly believe that with the right attitude, the very thing that was supposed to destroy you can become the very thing that makes you. For me, it was the multiple aneurysms I've had that forced me stop & focus on what's truly important in life...For my dear brother Justin Kauflin, it was losing his sight that forced him to stop, rely on his relationship with God, & pursue a life creating music that would inspire others.

I'm SO proud of Justin for creating this absolutely stunning Christmas album as a representation of his journey to find peace in any situation he encounters...I also always love to see our artists collaborating with each other, so it makes my soul smile to hear Jacob Collier featured on the title track, "Silent Night."

Well, anyways, I hope that during this holiday season (especially when things may not always be 100%), you can try to find purpose in your pain & use it as fuel to encourage those around you...So, thank you Justin for gifting us with your music & encouraging us to Keep On Keepin' On!

Track List:

1. In the Bleak Midwinter
2. Fairest Lord Jesus - For the Beauty of the Earth
3. Silent Night (Jacob Collier on vocals)
4. Anticipation (Advent Meditation 1)
5. Away in a Manger
6. Holy Holy Holy
7. Chorale (Advent Meditation 2)
8. Oh Holy Night
9. Come, Thou Fount of Many Blessings
10. God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen
11. Hope (Advent Meditation 3)
12. Cradle in Bethlehem