

A Partridge in a Pear Tree

Partridge—Jesus

2 Turtle doves—Old and New Testaments

3 French hens—Faith, Hope, and Charity

4 Calling birds—Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

5 gold rings—Torah (first 5 books of the Bible)

6 geese a-laying—6 days of creation

7 swans a-swimming—prophecy, serving, teaching, exhortation, leadership, mercy, and ?

8 maids a milking—Beatitudes

9 ladies dancing—9 Fruits of the Holy Spirit (Love, joy, patience, etc.)

10 Lords a-leaping—10 Commandments

11 pipers piping—11 Faithful disciples

12 drummers drumming—12 points of belief in the Apostles Creed