

What Child Is This?

CHRISTMAS

Words: William Chatterton Dix, 1865.

Music: 'Greensleeves' 16th Century English Traditional.

Setting: traditional from "The Sunday School Hymnal and Service Book", 1871.

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♩ = 80

1. What Child is this who, laid to rest On Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing?
2. Why lie they in such mean e - state, Where ox and ass are feed - ing?
3. So bring them in - cense, gold and myrrh, Come pea - sant, lord to own them

Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
Good Christ - ians, fear, for sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.
The God we sing sal - va - tion brings, Let lov - ing hearts en - throne them

This, this is Christ our God, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels laud
Nails, spear shall pierce them through, The cross be borne for me, for you.
Raise, raise a song on high, The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by.

Haste, haste, to bring them praise The Babe, the child of Ma - ry.
Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The Babe, the child of Ma - ry.
Joy, joy for Christ is born, The Babe, the child of Ma - ry.