

What Child Is This?

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What Child is this who, laid to rest On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are
keeping?

This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels
sing;

Haste, haste, to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mary.

Why lies He in such mean estate, Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christians, fear, for sinners here The silent Word is plea
ding.

Nails, spear shall pierce Him through, The cross be borne for m
e, for you.

Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The Babe, the Son of Mary.

So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh, Come peasant, king to own
Him;

The King of kings salvation brings, Let loving hearts enthrone
Him.

Raise, raise a song on high, The virgin sings her lullaby.

Joy, joy for Christ is born, The Babe, the Son of Mary.