

What Child is this?

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What Child is this who, laid to rest, On Ma-ry's lap is sleep- ing, Whom an-gels greet with

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shep-herds watch are keep- ing?

an-thems sweet, While shep-herds, shep-herds watch are keep- ing? This, this is Christ the

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King Whom shep-herds guard, and an-gels sing, Haste, haste to bring him laud, The Babe, the

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Son of Ma-ry. Why lies he in such mean es- tate, Where ox and ass are feed- ing? Good

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The si-lent Word is plead- ing:

Christ-ian, fear, for sin-ners here The si-lent, si-lent Word is plead- ing: Nails,

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spear_ shall pierce him through, The Cross be borne for me_ and_ you; Hail, hail the Word made

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Flesh, The Babe, the Son_ of_ Ma - ry. So_ bring him_ in-cense, gold and_ myrrh, Come,

Flesh, the

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peas-antking, to own_ him: The_ King of_ kings sal- va-tion_ brings, Let lov-ing, lov-ing

lov-ing hearts en -

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hearts en- throne_ him. Raise, raise_ the song on high, The Vir-gin sings her

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lul- la - by; Joy, joy for Christ is born, The Babe, the Son_ of_ Ma - ry.

born, the Son of Ma - ry.