

What child is this?

Großbritannien

Em D Hm Em

1. What child is this, __ who laid to rest, __ on Ma - ry's lap __ is

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sleep - ing, whom an - gels greet __ with an - themes sweet, __ while

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shep - herds watch __ are keep - ing? This, this __ is

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Christ the King, __ whom shep - herds guard __ and an - gels sing;

G D Em H Em

Haste, haste to bring him laud, __ the Babe, __ the Son __ of Ma - ry!

2. Why lies he in such mean estate
where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christians fear: for sinners here
the silent word is pleading.
Nails, spear shall pierce him through,
the cross be borne for me, for you;
Hail, hail the word made flesh,
the babe, the son of Mary!

3. 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 the song on high!
The Virgin sings her lullaby.
Joy, joy, for Christ is born,
the babe, the son of Mary!

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