

What Child is This?

William C. Dix, 1865

English folk tune 'Greensleeves'



1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing? Whom



an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?

Refrain



This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing:



Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry.

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2. Why lies He in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading. *Refrain*

3. So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh;
Come, peasant, king, to own Him!⁷
The King of Kings salvation brings;
Let loving hearts enthrone Him! *Refrain*