

# What Child is This

Text: William Chatterton Dix (1837–1898)

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 Helbling

Emotionally ♩ = ca. 96

S  
A

*mf* Em D Hm Em

1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest, on a poor man's lap  
 2. Why lies He in such mean estate, where oxen and asses are  
 3. So bring Him in - cense, gold and myrror, some pease - ant, king, to

T\*)  
B

4 H Em Hm

(1) sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - nounce - ment  
 (2) feed - ing? Good Chris - tians, fear, for sin - ners here the  
 (3) own Him; The King of Kings sal - vation brings; let

7 Em H G

(1) shep - herds watch keep - ing  
 (2) si - lent is the land  
 (3) lov - ing men - ce

This, this is  
 Nails, spear shall  
 Raise, raise the

*f*

10 D Em H7 G

(1) Christ - mas, whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing; Haste,  
 (2) pierce His thigh, the cross be borne for me, for you. Hail,  
 song on the air The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by. Joy,

\*) Der Chorsatz kann 2-stimmig SA oder optional auch ohne Tenor 3-stimmig SAB gesungen werden.

• *What Child is This* ist ein Christmas Song aus England, entstanden um 1865. William Chatterton Dix schrieb den Text nach der alten Volksmelodie Greensleeves.