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# What child is this?

William Chatterton Dix (1837–98)

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SOPRANO *mp*

1. What

ORGAN *mp*

Ped.

5

child is this, who, laid to rest, on Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing? Whom

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Man.

9

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

ALL VOICES (S.A.T.B.)

13 *mf*

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

*mf*

Ped.

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17

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

21 *mp*

S.  
A.

2. Why lies he in such

T.  
B.

*mp*

Org. *mp*

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26

S.  
A.

mean es - tate, where ox and ass are feed - ing? Good

T.  
B.

29

S. A. Chris-tians, fear: for sin-ners here the si - lent Word is plead - ing.  
plead - - ing.

T. B. plead - ing.

Org. *mf*  
Ped.

33 *mf*

Nails, spear, shall pierce him through, the cross be borne, for me, for you:

*mf*

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37

hail, hail the Word made flesh, the Babe, the Son of Ma - ry!

41 *f*

3. So

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45

bring him in - cense, gold and myrrh, come pea - sant, king to own him; the

49

King of kings, sal - va - tion - giv - ing, let him sit on throne - him.

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53 *mf*

*Ah*

*f*

Raise, raise a song on high, the Vir-gin sings her lul-la-by:

57

*Ah*

joy, joy, for Christ is born, the Babe, the Son of Ma-ry!

61 *ff*

*ff*

This, this is Christ the King, whom shep-herds guard and an-gels sing;

