

What Child Is This?

What child is this who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
While shepherds watch are keeping?

Chorus:

**This, this is Christ the King
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring him laud
The babe, the son of Mary.**

Why lies he in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christians, fear, for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh
Come peasant, king, to own him
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts enthrone him.