

What Child Is This

Words by
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Music
Traditional English Folk Melody
"Greensleeves"

VERSE

Em D/F# G

D

Em

Am/C



1. What Child is this, — who laid to rest, — on Mar - y's lap — is
2. Why lies He in — such mean es - tate — where ox and ass — are
3. So bring Him in - cense, gold and myrrh; — Come, peas - ant, king, — to

4

B

Em D/F# G

D

Em

Am B



sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet — with an - thems sweet, — while shep - herds watch — are
feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear — for sin - ners here, — the si - lent Word — is
own — Him. The King of kings — sal - va - tion brings; — Let lov - ing hearts — en -

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E^{sus}

Em

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keep - ing? This, this — is Christ the King, — whom shep - herds guard — and
plead - ing. Nails, spear — shall pierce Him through, — the cross be borne — for
-throne Him. Raise, raise — the song on high; — The Vir - gin sings — her

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B

Bm

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Am B

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Em



an - gels sing. Haste, haste — to bring Him laud, — the Babe, — the Son — of Mar - y.
me, for you. Hail, hail — the Word made flesh, — the Babe, — the Son — of Mar - y.
lull - a - by. Joy, joy — for Christ is born, — the Babe, — the Son — of Mar - y.

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