

WHAT CHILD IS THIS?

William Chatterton Dix • 1865

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?

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 lamb are feeding?
Good Christians, fear, for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.

Nails, spear shall pierce Him through,
The cross be borne for me, for you.
Hail, hail the Word made flesh,
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

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

Raise, raise a song on high,
The virgin sings her lullaby.
Joy, joy for Christ is born,
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

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- **He is Christ the Lord** – “Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord.” (**Luke 2:11**)

*In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, and through whom He made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of His being, sustaining all things by His powerful word. (**Heb. 1:1-3b**)*

*They were terrified and asked each other, “Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey Him!” (**Mark 4:41**)*

¶ **Christmas check: Who is calling your shots?** – “Why do you call me ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say?” (**Luke 6:46**)

- **He is the humble Savior** – “While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped Him in cloths and placed Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.” (**Luke 2:6-7**)

*For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich. (**2 Cor. 8:9**)*

Do You Hear What I Hear?

THE TEXT IN THE TUNE

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¶ **Christmas check: what is driving your attitude?** – “Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to death – even death on a cross!” (**Phil. 2:5-8**)

- **He is the King of Kings** – “On His robe and on His thigh He has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.” (**Rev. 19:16**)

Christmas check: who/what owns your heart? – “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” (**Matt. 6:21**)

Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life. (**Prov. 4:23**)

What child is this? The One who came to bring you great joy...

But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.” (**Luke 2:10**)