

# Songs of Christmas: What Child Is This

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## Scripture:

*But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, are only a small village among all the people of Judah. Yet a ruler of Israel, whose origins are in the distant past, will come from you on my behalf. And he will stand to lead his flock with the Lord's strength, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. Then his people will live there undisturbed, for he will be highly honored around the world.*

—Micah 5:2,4 (NLT)

*Open up, ancient gates! Open up, ancient doors, and let the King of glory enter. Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty; the Lord, invincible in battle. Open up, ancient gates! Open up, ancient doors, and let the King of glory enter. Who is the King of glory? The Lord of Heaven's Armies— he is the King of glory. —Psalm 24:7-10 (NLT)*

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## Song:

*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 ass are feeding  
Good Christian 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 the song on high  
The Virgin sings her lullaby  
Joy, joy for Christ is born  
The Babe the Son of Mary

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## Notes:

### The Announcement

- The king is here!
- Strange audience...shepherds
- The King is coming back

*Look, I am coming soon, bringing my reward with me to repay all people according to their deeds. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.*  
—Revelation 22:12-13 (NLT)

### The Atonement

- The surroundings don't match the supremacy
- Christmas points us to the cross
- Our substitute, our Savior

### The Adoration

- Worship warrants urgency
- Worship demands a sacrifice
- Worship is for everyone

*When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.* —Matthew 2:10-11 (NLT)

*Let the whole world glorify the Lord; let it sing his praise. The Lord will march forth like a mighty hero; he will come out like a warrior, full of fury. He will shout his battle cry and crush all his enemies.*  
—Isaiah 42:12-13 (NLT)

**This Week...**

- Share the announcement
- Give thanks for the atonement
- Offer gifts of worship