

What Child Is This

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Lead Sheet

Text: William Dix, 1837-1898
Tune: 16th Century English Ballad
Arrangement: Peter Prochnow
Setting: Benje Daneman

Intro **In Two** ♩=140

G D Esus Cadd⁹ Amin⁷ Bmin⁷ Esus Emin

mf

5 G Amin⁷ B⁷(b⁹) Emin Amin⁷ Bmin⁷ Emin

1. What
(2. Why)
(3. So)

Setting 1

9 *mf* Emin Bmin⁷ Cadd⁹ B

child is this, who laid to rest, On Mar - y's lap is sleep - ing? Whom
lies He in such mean e - state Where ox and ass are feed - ing? Good
bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peas ant, king, to own Him. The

13 Amin G D Cadd⁹ B Esus Emin

an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
Chris tian, fear; for sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.
King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let lov - ing hearts en - throne Him.

17 G D Emin B

This, this is Christ the king, Whom shep herds guard and an - gels sing;
Nails, spears shall pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you;
Raise, raise the song on high, The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by;

To ENDING
last time



21 G Bmin⁷ Cadd⁹ B Emin

Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mar - y 2. Why
Hail, hail the Word made flesh, 3. So
Joy, joy, for Christ is born,

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Setting 2

25 Cadd⁹ D/C Cadd⁹ B

mf

29 Cadd⁹ D/C Amin⁹ B Esus Emin

33 Gadd⁹ Bmin⁷ Cadd⁹ B

To ENDING last time

37 G F[#]min⁷ Bmin⁷ Cadd⁹ B Emin

Ending

41 Emin G D Esus Cadd⁹ Amin⁷ Bmin⁷ Esus Emin

46 G Amin⁷ B⁷(b⁹) Emin Amin⁷ Bmin⁷ Cadd⁹

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Note to Director: Settings 1 and 2 are optional and can be substituted at anytime within the song.
The song can be played in both settings. The intro and ending works with either.