

# What Child is This

Words by William Chatterton Dix, Music Trad. Eng. Folk Song (Greensleeves)

**Key: G**

(6/8) 70 bpm

- Em D/F# G D Bm Em Am/c B<sup>7</sup>  
**1. What Child is this, who laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping?**  
Em D/F# G D Bm  
**Whom an - gels greet with anthems sweet**  
Em Am B<sup>7</sup> Em  
**While shepherds watch are keeping?**

*Refrain:*

Bm G D  
**This, this is Christ the King**  
Em Am/c B<sup>7</sup>  
**Whom shepherds guard and angels sing.**  
Bm G D Bm Em Am B<sup>7</sup> Em  
**Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mary.**

- Em D/F# G D Bm Em Am/c B<sup>7</sup>  
**2. Why lies He in such mean estate, Where ox and lamb are feeding?**  
Em D/F# G D Bm  
**Good Christian, fear for sinners here,**  
Em Am B<sup>7</sup> Em  
**The si - lent Word is pleading.**

*Refrain:*

Bm G D  
**Nails spear shall pierce Him through**  
Em Am/c B<sup>7</sup>  
**The cross be borne for me for you**  
Bm G D Bm Em Am B<sup>7</sup> Em  
**Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The Babe, the Son of Mary.**

- Em D/F# G D Bm Em Am/c B<sup>7</sup>  
**3. So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh; Come, peasant king, to own Him.**  
Em D/F# G D Bm  
**The King of Kings salvation brings;**  
Em Am B<sup>7</sup> Em  
**Let lov - ing hearts enthrone Him.**

*Refrain:*

Bm G D  
**Raise, raise the song on high**  
Em Am/c B<sup>7</sup>  
**The Virgin sings her lullaby**  
Bm G D Bm Em Am B<sup>7</sup> Em  
**Joy, joy for Christ is born, The Babe, the Son of Mary.**