

# O Babe! in Manger Lying

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*Tenderly*  
♩ = 105  
*mp* *cresc.* *mp*

1. O Babe! in man-ger ly-ing, O Child most fair to see, The  
2. Full sweet the mer-ry chant-ing, The an-gel choirs do make, With  
3. A good-ly band we ga-ther, And some are sick and sad, While  
4. The star o'er-head burns bright-ly, And we go on a-pace; And  
5. Sweet Babe! most con-des-cend-ing, O by Thy spot-less birth, Let

*mp* *cresc.* *mp*

first fruits of the Gen-tiles By star were led to Thee; We  
such for march-ing mu-sic, Who would not tra-vel take? Though  
oth-ers are right mer-ry, And sing, they be so glad; But  
pre-sent-ly, are spy-ing, A mean and shame-ful place; There  
light a-rise in dark-ness, And peace come to the earth; Rest

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*p*

now with joy-ful wor-ship Do haste to Beth-l'hem town, To  
wind be sharp and pierc-ing, And snow lie deep to-night, Much  
this dear Child, all sor-row Will kind-ly take a-way, And  
come, we make low knock-ing, The shep-herds ope the door, And  
for the hea-vy-la-den, And joy for those who weep, In

*a little slower*

*cresc.* *f*

greet Thee with Thy mo - ther, To greet Thee with Thy mo - ther, To  
 cheer and good a - waits us, Much cheer and good a - waits us, Much  
 crown the joy - ful - heart - ed, And crown the joy - ful - heart - ed, And  
 straight-way Christ our Sav - ior, And straight-way Christ our Sav - ior, And  
 Beth - le - hem of Jew - ry, In Beth - le - hem of Jew - ry, In

*rall.*

*rall.*

greet Thee with Thy mo - ther And hum-bly there fall down.  
 cheer and good a - waits us And love shall warm us quite.  
 crown the joy - ful - heart - ed With bliss that lasts for aye.  
 straight-way Christ our Sav - ior We wor-ship and im - plore.  
 Beth - le - hem of Jew - ry Our God doth al - ways keep.