

A Cradle-song of the Blessed Virgin

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1. The Vir-gin stills the cry-ing Of Je-sus sleep-less ly - ing; And sing-ing for his plea - sure Thus

The first system of the musical score is in 6/8 time, featuring a treble and bass staff with a piano accompaniment of chords and single notes. The melody is in the treble staff, with lyrics written below it.

calls u-pon her Trea-__ sure, __ My dar-ling, do not weep, My Je - su, sleep! __

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with some words underlined and followed by a double underline for emphasis.

2. O Lamb, my love in - vit-ing, O Star, my soul de - light - ing, O Flow'r of mine own bear - ing, O

The third system begins a new verse. The melody and accompaniment continue, with lyrics written below the treble staff.

Je - wel past com - par __ ing! __ My Dar-ling, do not weep, My Je - su, sleep! __

The fourth system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with some words underlined and followed by a double underline for emphasis.

3. My Child, of Might in - dwell-ing, My Sweet, all sweets ex - cell - ing, Of Bliss the Foun-tain flow - ing, The

The fifth system begins a new verse. The melody and accompaniment continue, with lyrics written below the treble staff.

Day-spring e - ver glow- ing. My Dar-ling, do not weep, My Je - su, sleep!

4. My Joy, my Ex - ult - a - tion, My spi-rit's Con-so - la - tion; My Son, my Spouse, my Bro - ther, O

list - en to thy Mo - ther. My Dar-ling, do not weep, My Je - su, sleep!

5. Say, wouldst thou heaven-ly sweet-ness, Or love of ans-ering meet-ness? Or is sweet mu-sic want - ing? Ho!

An-gels raise your chant- ing! My Dar-ling, do not weep, My Je - su, sleep!