

The Christ Child -
poem G.K. Chesterton, music by John Deegan

VERSE 1

SOP 2

The Christ-child lay on Mary's lap_____

SOP 1

His hair was like a light.

TENOR / BASS

O weary,
weary were the world,
But here is all aright.

SOPS

O weary,
weary were the world,
But here is all aright.

ALTO

weary were the world
But here is all aright.

VERSE 2

BASS

The Christ-child lay on Mary's breast, _____

TENOR

His hair was like a star.

SOP / ALTO

O stern__ and cunning,
Are the kings,
But here
the true hearts are.

BASS

O stern and cunning,
are the kings,
But here
the true hearts are.

TENOR

and cunning
are the kings,
But here
the true hearts are.

VERSE 3

SOP 2

The Christ-child lay on Mary's heart,_____

SOP 1

His hair was like a fire.

TENOR / BASS

O weary,

weary is the world,

But here the world's desire.

SOPS

O weary,

weary is the world,

But here the world's desire.

ALTO

weary is the world

But here the world's desire

VERSE 4

SOP / ALTO / TENOR / BASS

The Christ-child stood at Mary's knee,

His hair was like a crown.

SOP / ALTO

And all___the flowers

looked up at Him,

And all___ the stars

looked down.

BASS

And all the flowers

looked up at Him,

And all___ the stars

looked down.

TENOR

the flowers

looked up at Him,

And all___ the stars

looked down.

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