

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

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

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

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

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

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 heavenly sweet - ness, Or love of answ - 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!