Dost thou in a manger lie?

Dost thou in a manger lie, who hast all created, stretching infant hands on high, Savior, long awaited?

If a monarch, where thy state? Where thy court on thee to wait? Scepter, crown and sphere? Here no regal pomp we see, naught but need and penury: why thus cradled here, why thus cradled here,

"For the world a love supreme brought me to this stable; al creation to redeem I alone am able.

By this lowly birth of mine, sinner, riches shall be thine, matchless gifts and free; Willingly this yoke I take, and this sacrifice I make, heaping joys for thee heaping joys for thee."

Christ we praise with voices bold, laud and honor raising: for these mercies manifold join the hosts in praising: Father, glory be to thee for the wondrous charity of thy Son, our Lord.

Better witness to thy worth, purer praise than ours on earth; angel's songs afford, angel's songs afford.

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