

Born of the Father's Love

Feel as one-in-a-bar

$\text{♩} = 40$

Children's Voices:

Words and Music: John Earwaker

mf 1. "Born of the Fa - ther's love

8
from e - ter - ni - ty". God is here? Yet he seems so small! Po - ets of old could

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sing with such cer - tain - ty: This lit - tle child brings sal - va - tion for

22
all. Find in this hu - man birth Wit - ness to heav'n on earth? But

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how can a ba - by pro - vide a - ny clue As to how we should live_ or

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what we should do? *mf* 2. Held in his mo - ther's

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arms; no ac - ti - vi - ty. To - tal de - pen - dence on hu - man

48

care. Help - less he lies quite still, What pas -

*Alternatively the accompaniment to verse 1 may be used again for verse 2

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si - vi-ty! Dressed in what - e - ver she finds him to wear. Want to be

59

born a - gain? What has to hap - pen then? Let go of

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e - v'ry-thing! Once more you must Be an

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in - no-cent child who is rea - dy to trust.

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mf 3. Con - fi - dent we as - sume in our va - ni - ty

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*Adult Choir *mf* Ah....
in Unison:

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What we should long for is ours to de - cide. Ho - ping to live the dream, What in -

88

sa - ni - ty! While we're ig - no - ring our ve - ry best guide. All of love's A B

*If desired a solo instrument may be used here to bring out the hymn-tune which is also in the tenor line of the accompaniment

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C shown for us all to see. Here life's whole se - cret may be ov - er -

102

heard *mp* From a child not yet a - ble to ut - ter a word.

109

f 4. Find, in this ti - ny child's im - ma - tu - ri - ty Les - sons to learn a - bout
Choir & Congregation: *mf* Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten, ere the worlds be -

*If necessary this line can be reinforced by a flute or recorder (playing an octave higher) for verses 4 & 5

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how we should live. Born as his Fa - ther's son in ob - scu - ri - ty, It's the same
 gan_ to be. He is Al - pha and O - me - ga, He the

125

Spi-rit that both of them give. All we need, A to Z Giv'n in this man - ger
 source, the end - ing he, Of the things that are, that have - -

133

bed. All of life's al - pha-bet spelt out quite clear By this in - no-cent
 been, And that fu - ture years shall see, E - ver - more and

140

child who lies si-lent-ly here. *f* 5. Glo - ry to God on high,
e - ver - more. *f* O ye heights of heav'n a -

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to in - fi - ni - ty. Join with the an - gels and sing God's praise.
dore. him; An - gel hosts, his prai - ses sing;

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Fa - ther, Son, Spi - rit name Ho - ly Tri - ni - ty. Tell all God's
Pow'rs, do - mi - nions bow be - fore him, And ex -

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peo-ple his won-der-ful ways. Ca - rols at Christ - mas sing: Good news for
tol our God_ and King: Let no tongue on earth be si -

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all we bring, Ho - nou - ring Je - sus, the Christ, who was
- - lent, e - v'ry voice in con - cert

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poco rit.
born Just a po - wer-less ba - by on Christ - mas morn.
ring, E - ver - more and e - ver - more.
poco rit.