

When Jesus Christ Was Four Years Old

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$\text{♩} = 72$ *p* **A**

When Je-sus Christ was four years old, The

$\text{♩} = 72$ *p* *pp* *p*

7 an - gels brought Him toys of gold. Which man ev - er had bought or

rit.

11 **B** *A tempo*

sold. And with these He would not play. He made Him small fowl out of

A tempo

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clay, And blessed them till they flew a - way.

18

C rit. *pp*

Tu cre - as - ti I min - e

22

D A tempo *p*

Je - sus Christ, Thou Child so wise,

rit.

26

p

Bless mine hands and fill mine eyes,

rit.

30

rubato *sotto voce*

rall.

And bring my soul to Pa - ra - dise.

rall.

pp

Joseph Hilaire (870 – 1953) was a French-English writer, politician, and historian. Belloc was also an orator, poet, sailor, satirist, writer of letters, soldier, and political activist. Belloc was considered one of the most versatile authors of the 20th century.

His Christian faith had a strong effect on his works.