

# Guard Him, Joseph

Gently ♩ = 70-80

Words and music by Sally DeFord

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1. Guard Him, Jo - seph, as He slum - bers There be - hind the sta - ble doors.  
 2. Guard Him, Jo - seph, through the dark - ness, Watch - ing o'er Him till the dawn.  
 3. Guard Him, Jo - seph, from all dan - ger; Keep thy vig - il nigh His bed.

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Let no er - rant sound dis - tress Him; Tread thou soft - ly on the floor. Lin - ger watch - ful  
 Bid the shep - herds en - ter meek - ly, Stand in won - der, gaze in awe. Trim thy lamp and  
 Let no harm nor grief be - fall Him; Stand thou in a fa - ther's stead. When His mo - ther's

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round the man - ger; Hush thy voice and still the beasts, For thou hast with -  
 shield thy can - dle; See they burn all through the night, For thou hast with -  
 arms be - wea - ry, Hold Him gent - ly as thine own, For thou hast with -

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in thy keep - ing Christ, the in - fant Prince of Peace.  
 in thy keep - ing Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Light.  
 in thy keep - ing God's own well - be - lov - ed Son.

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