

# This child we dedicate to Thee

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**This child we dedicate to Thee,  
O God of grace and purity!  
Shield it from sin and threatening wrong,  
And let Thy love its life prolong.**

**O may Thy Spirit gently draw  
Its willing soul to keep Thy law;  
May virtue, piety, and truth,  
Dawn even with its dawning youth!**

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