

# Living Water

Baptismal Song

So now you are born, child,  
like a dream,  
the world is tired of warfare  
and the winter is so still.  
So now you are born, child,  
your first cry in this world,  
full of anguish, sorrow and defeat.

Child of man, long carried,  
so expected,  
all encompassing,  
more than we can comprehend,  
more than ever we would have thought,  
could have yearned for,  
could have asked for.  
This new gift and miracle is you.

And God gives you to the water.  
Water that breaks, water that flows,  
crystal water.  
You will be baptized,  
you'll be submerged  
for now and for later,  
wholesome water.  
So you'll live, for that is written,  
written in the water.  
Living water.

So here you are born, child,  
in this land, this town,  
we are prepared,  
yes, we made room, just for you.  
Trees, a yard to play in, the street.  
A home to live in.  
All the marks of human life and love.

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Now you must get used, child,  
to your name.

The heritage and lineage  
from which you came  
and represent.

Then you will be safe,  
you will be chosen to live  
for Love,  
for that is whence  
you first have come.

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