O, Say Not, Think Not, Heavenly Notes

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  O, say not,   think not,    heavenly       notes

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  To childish      ears are      vain,         That the young

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  mind at       random          floats,        And cannot

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  reach the     strain.
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The other verses

2 Was not our Lord a little child,
Taught by degrees to pray,
By father dear and mother mild
Instructed day by day?

3 And loved he not of heaven to talk
With children in his sight,
To meet them in his daily walk,
And to his arms invite?

4 And though some tones be weak and low,
What are all prayers beneath,
But cries of babes, that cannot know
Half the deep thought they breathe?

5 In his own words we Christ adore;
But angels, as we speak,
Higher above our meaning soar
Than we o'er children weak.

6 And yet his words mean more than they,
And yet he owns their praise;
O, think not that he turns away
From infants' simple lays!

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