

# Once in Royal David's City

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Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty Stood a low - ly cat - tle  
He came down to earth from heav - en, Who is God and Lord of  
And through all His won - drous child - hood, He would hon - our and o -  
For He is our child - hood's pat - tern, Day by day like us He  
And our eyes at last shall see Him Through His own re - deem - ing

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shed, Where a moth - er laid her ba - by, In a  
all, And His shel - ter was a sta - ble, And His  
bey, Love, and watch the low - ly maid - en In whose  
grew, He was lit - tle, weak, and help - less, Tears and  
love, For that child so dear and gen - tle Is our

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man - ger for His bed: Ma - ry was that moth - er  
 cra - dle was a stall; With the poor, and mean, and  
 gen - tle arms He lay; Chris - tian chil - dren all must  
 smiles like us He knew, And He feel - eth for our  
 Lord in heaven a - bove; And He leads His chil - dren

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mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.  
 low - ly, Lived on earth our Sav - iour ho - ly.  
 be, Mild, o - be - dient, good as He.  
 sad - ness, And He shar - eth in our glad - ness.  
 on, To the place where He is gone.

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