

# Once in Royal David's City

1. Once in ro - yal Da - vid's ci - ty stood a low - ly cat - tle shed  
 2. He came down to earth from hea - ven, Who is God and lord of all;  
 3. And through all his won drous child - hood He would hon - our and o - bey,  
 4. For he is our child hood pat - tern, Day by day like us he grew,  
 5. And our eyes at last shall see him through his own re - deem - ing love  
 6. Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble With the ox - en stand - ing by,

5

Where a mo - ther laid her ba - by in a man - ger for his bed  
 And his shel - ter was a sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall  
 Love and watch the ho - ly maid - en in whose gen - tle arms he lay,  
 He was lit - tle meek and help - less, Tears and smiles like us he knew,  
 For that child so dear and gen - tle is our God in heav'n a - bove  
 We shall see him but in hea - ven Set at God's right hand on high

9

Ma - ry was that moth - er mild Je - sus Christ the lit - tle child  
 With the poor and mean and lowly lived on earth our sav - iour holy  
 Christ - ian chil - dren all must be mild, o - be - dient, good as he.  
 And he feel - eth for our sadness And he shar - eth in our glad - ness.  
 And he leads his chil - dren on to the place where he is gone.  
 Where, like stars, his chil - dren crowned, All in white shall wait a - round,