

Once in Royal David's city

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1. Once in roy - al 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-hoods 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,

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1. Where a mo - ther laid her ba - by in a man - ger for a bed:
2. And his shel - ter was a sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall:
3. Love and watch the low - ly maid - en in whose gen - tle arms he lay;
4. He was lit - tle weak and help - less, Tears and smiles like us he knew
5. For that child so dear and gen - tle is our Lord in heav'n a - bove:

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1. Ma - ry was that mo - ther mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.
2. With the poor and mean and low - ly lived on earth our Sa - viour ho - ly.
3. Christ - ian child - ren all must be mild, o - be - dient good as he.
4. And he feel - eth for our sad - ness, and he shar - eth in our glad - ness.
5. And he leads his child - ren on to the place where he has gone.

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ff 6. Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble with the ox - en stand - ing by. We shall see him;

All other voices.

ff 6. Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble with the ox - en stand - ing by. We shall

Organ.

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Pedal.

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see him but in hea - ven, Set at God's right hand on high, Where like

see him but in hea - ven, Set at God's right hand on high, Where like

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stars; chil - dren crowned all in white shall wait a - round.

stars his child - ren crowned all in white shall wait a - round.