

# Once in Royal David's City

1 Once in ro - yal Da - vid's\_ ci - ty stood a low - ly cat - tle\_

2 He came down to earth\_ from\_ hea - ven who is God and Lord\_ of\_

3 Je - sus is our chil - dhood's pat - tern, day by day like us\_ he\_

4 And our eyes at last\_ shall\_ see him, through his own re - deem - ing\_

shed, where a mo - ther laid\_ her\_ ba - by in a

all, and his shel - ter was\_ a\_ sta - ble, and his

grew; he was lit - tle, weak, and help - less, tears and

love; for that child, so dear\_ and\_ gen - tle, is our

man - ger for\_ his\_ bed: Ma - ry was that mo - ther

cra - dle was\_ a\_ stall: with the poor and meek and

smiles like us\_ he\_ knew: and he feels for all our

Lord in heaven a - bove: and he leads his chil - dren

mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle\_ child.

low - ly lived on earth, our Sa - vior\_ ho - ly.

sad - ness, and he shares in all\_ our\_ glad - ness.

on\_ to the place where he\_ has\_ gone.

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