

Once In Royal David's City

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He came down to earth from hea - ven Who is God and Lord of_ all And His shel - ter

laid her ba - by In a man - ger for_ His bed Ma - ry was that
was a_ sta - ble And His cra - dle was a_ stall With the poor, op -

mo - ther mild Je - sus Christ on her lit - tle_ child
pressed and whol - ly Lived on earth our_ Sa - vior

3. And through all His wondrous childhood
He would honour and obey,
Love and watch the lowly maiden,
In whose gentle arms He lay:
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as He.

4. For he is our childhood's pattern;
Day by day, like us He grew;
He was little, weak and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us He knew;
And He feeleth for our sadness,
And He shareth in our gladness.

5. And our eyes at last shall see Him,
Through His own redeeming love;
For that Child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in heaven above,
And He leads His children on
To the place where He is gone.

6. Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see Him; but in heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high;
Where like stars His children crowned
All in white shall wait around.