Once in Royal David's City

1 Once in royal David's city stood a
2 He came down to earth from heaven who is
3 For he is our childhood's pattern; day by
4 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his
5 Not in that poor lowly stable with the

lowly cattle shed, where a mother laid her
God and Lord of all; and his shelter was a
day like us he grew; he was little, weak, and
own redeeming love, for that child, so dear and
oxen standing by we shall see him, but in

baby in a manger for his bed: Mary
stable and his cradle was a stall: with the
helpless; tears and smiles like us he knew: and he
gen-tle, is our Lord in heaven above: and he
heaven, set at God's right hand on high: there his

was that mother mild, Jesus
poor and meek and lowly lived on
feels for all our sadness and he
leads his children on to the
children gather round bright like

Christ, her little child.
earth our Savior holy.
shares in all our gladness.
place where he has gone.
stars, with glory crowned.

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