



# Once In Royal David's City

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A7 D A7 D Bm

Once in ro - yal Da - vid's ci - ty stood a  
 He came down to earth from hea - ven who is  
 Je - sus is our child - hood's pat - tern, day by  
 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his

3 F#m G A7 D A7 D A7

low - ly cat - tle shed, where a mo - ther laid her  
 God and Lord of all, and his shel - ter was a  
 day like us he grew; he was lit - tle, weak, and  
 own re - deem - ing love; for that child, so dear and

6 D Bm F#m G A7

ba - by in a man - ger for his  
 sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a  
 help - less, tears and smiles like us he  
 gen - tle, is our Lord in heaven a -

8 D G D Em A7 D G

bed: Ma - ry was that mo - ther mild, Je - sus  
 stall: with the poor and meek and lowly lived on  
 knew: and he feels for all our sadness, and he  
 bove: and he leads his chil - dren on to the

11 D G A7 D

Christ her lit - tle child.  
 earth, our Sav - ior holy.  
 shares in all our gladness.  
 place where he has gone.