Once In Royal David's City

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1. Once in royal David's city Stood a lowly cattle shed, Where a mother laid her baby in a manger for His bed; Mary was that mother stable and His crape was a stall; With the poor, and mean, and

2. He came down to earth from heaven, Who is God and Lord of all, And His shelter was a honor and obey, Love, and watch the lowly day like us He grew; He was little, weak, and

3. And, thru all His wondrous childhood, He would own redeeming love; For that child so dear and oxen standing by, We shall see Him, but in
gentle, Tears and smiles like us He knew; And He feeleth for our gentleness, Set at God's right hand on high; When like stars His children

4. For He is our childhood's pattern, Day by day like us He grew; He was little, weak, and

5. And our eyes at last shall see Him, Thru His own redeeming love; For that child so dear and oxen standing by, We shall see Him, but in
gentle, Tears and smiles like us He knew; And He feeleth for our gentleness, Set at God's right hand on high; When like stars His children

6. Not in that poor lowly stable, With the day like us He grew; He was little, weak, and

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mild,
low - ly, Lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.
be
sad - ness, And He shar - eth in our glad - ness.
on
crowned, All in white shall wait a - round. A - men.