

# Once in Royal David's City

## St Paul's Cathedral Choir

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 mild  
Jesus Christ her little child  
He came down to earth from heaven  
Who is God and Lord of all  
And His shelter was a stable  
And His cradle was a stall  
With the poor, and mean, and lowly  
Lived on earth our Savior holy  
Jesus 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  
And our eyes at last shall see Him  
Through His own redeeming love  
For that Child so dear and gentle  
Is our Lord in heav'n above  
And He leads His children on  
To the place where He is gone

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