Once In Royal David's City

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1.) Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty stood a low - ly cat - tle__ shed, where a
2.) He came down to earth from hea-ven, who is God and Lord_ of__ all, and his
3.) We, like Ma - ry, rest_ con - foun-ed that a sta - ble should dis - play hea-ven's
4.) For he is our life - long pat tern; dai - ly, when on earth_ he_ grew, he was
5.) And our eyes at last_ shall see him, through his own re deem - ing_ love; for that
6.) Not in that poor low - ly__ sta - ble, with the ox - en stand - ing_ round, we shall

mo - ther laid__ her__ ba - by in a man - ger for__ his__ bed: Ma - ry
shel - ter was__ a__ sta - ble, and his cra - dle was_ a__ stall; with the
Word, the world's cre - a - tor, cra - dled there on Christ- mas_ Day, yet this
tempt - ed, scorned, re - ject - ed, tears and smiles like us__ he__ knew. Thus he
child who seemed so__ help-less is our Lord in heaven a - bove; and he
see him; but__ in__ hea - ven, where his saints his throne sur - round: Christ, re -

was that moth - er mild,__ Je - sus Christ her lit - tle__ child.__
poor, the scorned, the low - ly, lived on earth our Sa - vior_ ho - ly.
child, our Lord and bro - ther, brought us love for one__ an - oth - er.
feels for all our sad - ness, and he shares in all__ our__ glad - ness.
leads his chil - dren on__ to the place where he__ is__ gone.__
vealed to faith - ful eye,__ set at God's right hand_ on__ high.__