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## Once in Royal David's City

*You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger. Luke 2:12*

1. Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y stood a low - ly cat - tle shed,  
 2. He came down to earth from heav - en who is God and Lord of all,  
 3. And through all his won - drous child - hood he would hon - or and o - bey,  
 4. And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own re - deem - ing love;  
 5. Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the ox - en stand - ing by,

where a moth - er laid her ba - by in a man - ger for his bed:  
 and his shel - ter was a sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall:  
 • love and watch the low - ly maid - en in whose gen - tle arms he lay:  
 for that child so dear and gen - tle is our Lord in heav'n a - bove,  
 we shall see him, but in heav - en, set at God's right hand on high;

Mar - y was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.  
 with the poor, and mean, and low - ly, lived on earth our Sav - ior ho - ly.  
 • Chris - tian chil - dren all must be mild, o - be - dient, good as he.  
 and he leads his chil - dren on to the place where he is gone.  
 when like stars his chil - dren crowned all in white shall wait a - round.

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## Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

*A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.*  
Is. 11:1

1. Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing from ten - der  
2. I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, the rose I  
3. The shep - herds heard the sto - ry, pro - claimed by  
4. This flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der with sweet - ness  
5. O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, who felt our

stem hath sprung, of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing,  
have in mind; with Mar - y we be - hold it,  
• an - gels bright, how Christ, the Lord of glo - ry,  
fills the air, dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor  
hu - man woe; O Sav - ior, King of glo - ry,

as men of old have sung. It came, a flow'r - et bright,  
the vir - gin moth - er kind. To show God's love a - right  
• was born on earth this night. To Beth - le - hem they sped  
the dark - ness ev - 'ry - where. True man, yet ver - y God;  
who dost our weak - ness know, bring us at length, we pray,

a - mid the cold of win - ter, when half - spent was the night.  
she bore to men a Sav - ior, when half - spent was the night.  
• and in the man - ger found him, as an - gel her - alds said.  
from sin and death he saves us and light - ens ev - 'ry load.  
to the bright courts of heav - en and to the end - less day.

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## While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

*There were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. Luke 2:8*

1. While shep - herds watched their flocks by night, all seat - ed  
 2. "Fear not," said he— for might - y dread had seized their  
 3. "To you, in Da - vid's town this day, is born of  
 4. "The heav'n - ly babe you there shall find to hu - man

on the ground, the an - gel of the Lord came down,  
 trou - bled mind— "glad tid - ings of great joy I bring  
 Da - vid's line, the Sav - ior, who is Christ the Lord,  
 view dis - played, all mean - ly wrapped in swath - ing bands,

and glo - ry shone a - round, and glo - ry shone a - round.  
 to you and all man - kind, to you and all man - kind.  
 and this shall be the sign, and this shall be the sign:  
 and in a man - ger laid, and in a man - ger laid."

5. Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith  
 appeared a shining throng  
 of angels praising God, who thus  
 addressed their joyful song,  
 addressed their joyful song:
6. "All glory be to God on high,  
 and to the earth be peace;  
 good will henceforth, from heav'n to men,  
 begin and never cease,  
 begin and never cease!"