

Once in Royal David's City

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Once in Royal David's City'. It consists of three staves of music in 4/4 time, written on a single treble clef. The melody is simple and uses a mix of eighth and quarter notes. Chord symbols are placed above the notes: G(7), C, D, G, C, Em, G(7), C for the first line; G(7), C, D, G, C, Em, G(7), C for the second line; and F, C, Dm, C, F, C, G(7), C for the third line. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with some words underlined to indicate phrasing.

Once in Roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty, stood a low - ly cat - tle_ shed
Where a moth - er laid_ her_ ba - by in a man - ger for_ His_ bed.
Ma - ry was that mo - ther mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle_ chid.

2. 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 meek and lowly,
Lived on earth our Savior holy.
3. And our eyes at last shall see Him,
Through His own redeeming love;
For that child so dear and gentle,
Is our Lord in heaven above,
And He leads His children on,
To the place where He is gone.