

# ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY

Trumpet 1 in B $\flat$

Intro - organ - melody line only bars 1-5 then count 4.

1st and 2nd verse - JCC with melody line on organ only.

3rd verse - Senior singers - with organ 5Ts tacet.

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4th verse - All + 5Ts brass , organ tacet

5th verse - All + 5Ts brass, organ tacet

6th verse - organ/5Ts Brass as written

Melody H J Gauntlett

Harmonised vv1-5 by A H Mann

V6 with descant by David Willcocks

Arranged Anthony Hodson

## 1. Junior choir only:

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.

## 2. Junior choir only:

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 Saviour holy.

## 3. Senior singers only with organ

And through all his wondrous childhood  
 He would honour and obey,  
 Love and watch the lowly maiden,  
 In whose gentle arms he lay:  
 Christian children all must be  
 Mild, obedient, good as he.

## 4. ALL with Quintet

For he 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.

## 5. ALL with Quintet

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.

## 6. ALL descant, Quintet, Organ

Not in that poor lowly stable,  
 With the oxen standing by,  
 We shall see him; but in heaven,  
 Set at God's right hand on high;  
 Where like stars his children crowned  
 All in white shall wait around.

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8 Verse 6

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