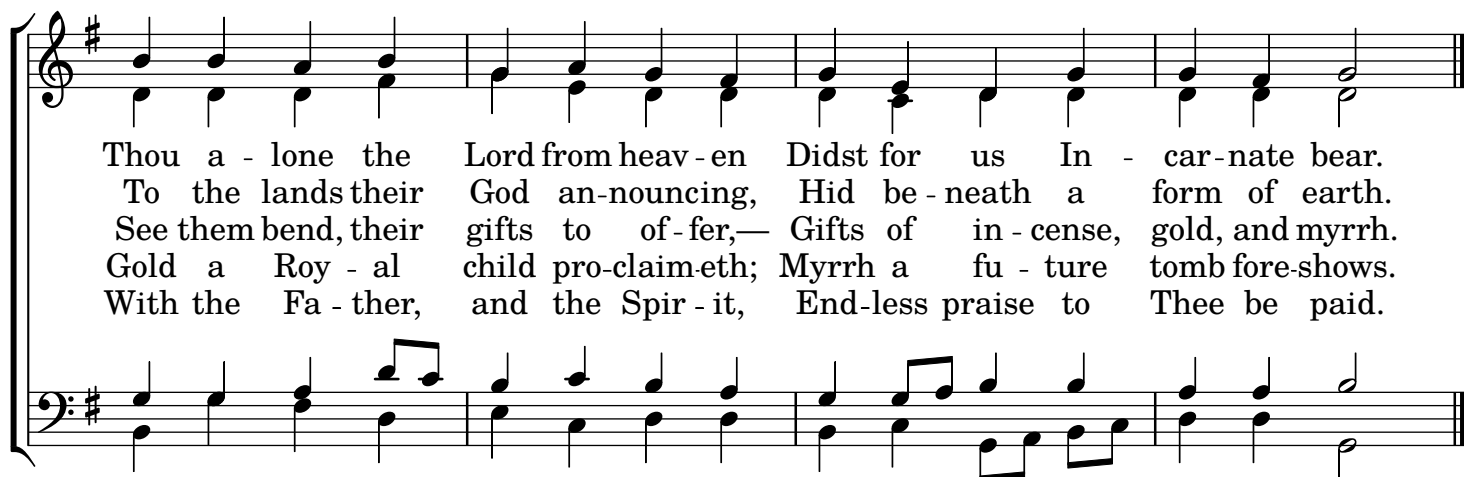


1. Beth - le - hem, of no - blest cit - ies None can once with thee com - pare;
 2. Fair - er than the sun at morn - ing Was the star that told his birth;
 3. By its lam - bent beau - ty guid - ed, See, the East - ern Kings ap - pear;
 4. Of - fer - ings of my - stic meaning!— In - cense doth the God dis - close;
 5. Ho - ly Je - sus! in thy bright - ness To the Gen - tile world dis - play'd!



Thou a - lone the Lord from heav - en Didst for us In - car - nate bear.
 To the lands their God an - nounc - ing, Hid be - neath a form of earth.
 See them bend, their gifts to of - fer, — Gifts of in - cense, gold, and myrrh.
 Gold a Roy - al child pro - claim - eth; Myrrh a fu - ture tomb fore - shows.
 With the Fa - ther, and the Spir - it, End - less praise to Thee be paid.

O sola magnarum urbium
 Prudentius, 4th cent.; tr. E. Caswall, 1851

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