

1. Brightest and best of the sons of the morn - ing,
 2. Cold on His cra - dle the dewdrops are shin - ing,
 3. Say, shall we yield Him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion,
 4. Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple ob - la - tion,
 5. Brightest and best of the sons of the morn - ing,

1. Dawn on our dark - ness, and lend us thine aid;
 2. Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall;
 3. O - dours of E - dom, and of - frings di - vine?
 4. Vain - ly with gifts would His fa - vour se - cure;
 5. Dawn on our dark - ness and lend us thine aid;

1. Star of the East, the hor - i - zon a - dorn - ing,
 2. An - gels a - dore Him in slum - ber re - clin - ing,
 3. Gems of the mountain, and pearls of the o - cean,
 4. Rich - er by far is the heart's a - do - ra - tion,
 5. Star of the East, the hor - i - zon a - dorn - ing,

1. Guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
 2. Mak - er and Mon - arch and Sa - vior of all.
 3. Myrrh from the for - est, and gold from the mine?
 4. Dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.
 5. Guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.

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