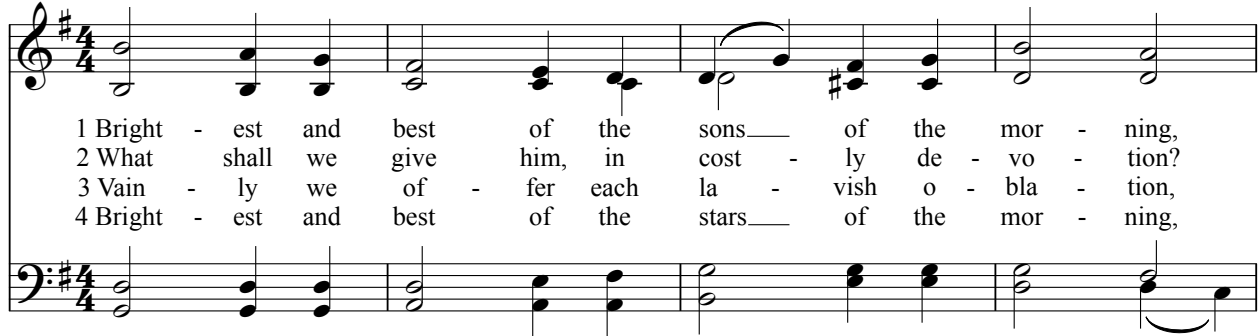


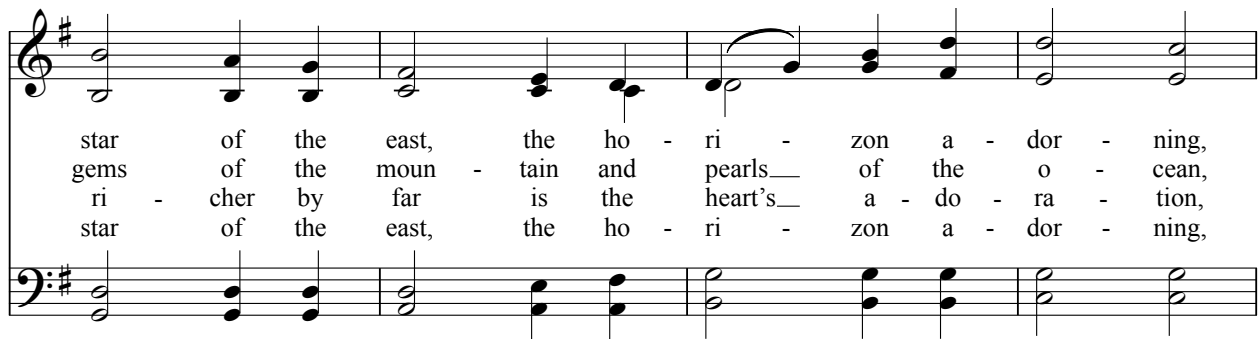
Brightest and Best of the Stars



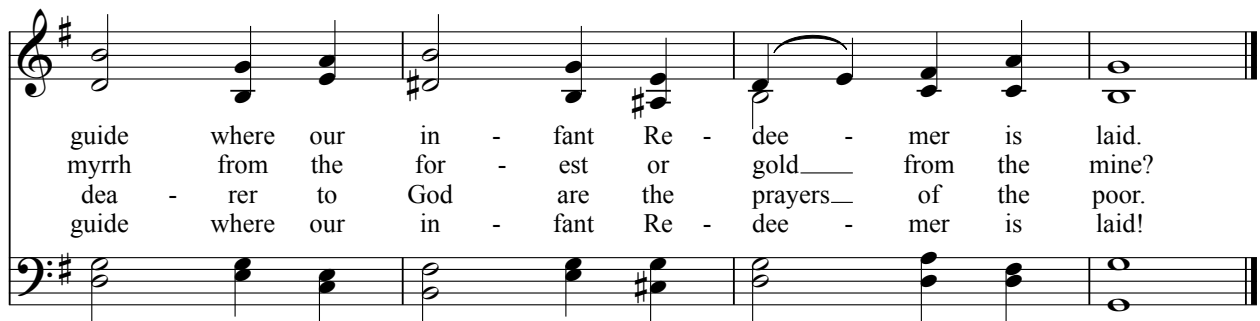
1 Bright - est and best of the sons___ of the mor - ning,
 2 What shall we give him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion?
 3 Vain - ly we of - fer each la - vish o - bla - tion,
 4 Bright - est and best of the stars___ of the mor - ning,



dawn on our dark - ness and come___ to our aid;
 Shall we bring in - cense and of - ferings di - vine,
 vain - ly with gifts would his fa - vor se - cure;
 dawn on our dark - ness and come___ to our aid;



star of the east, the ho - ri - zon a - dor - ning,
 gems of the moun - tain and pearls___ of the o - cean,
 ri - cher by far is the heart's___ a - do - ra - tion,
 star of the east, the ho - ri - zon a - dor - ning,



guide where our in - fant Re - dee - mer is laid.
 myrrh from the for - est or gold___ from the mine?
 dea - rer to God are the prayers___ of the poor.
 guide where our in - fant Re - dee - mer is laid!

Text: Reginald Heber (1783-1826)
 Tune: James P. Harding (1850-1911);
 adapt. *The Church Hymnal*, 1984



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