

BRIGHTEST AND BEST OF THE SONS OF THE MORNING

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- 1 Bright-est and best of the sons of the morn-ing, dawn on our
- 2 Cold on His cra - dle the dew-drops are shin - ing; low lies His
- 3 Shall we not yield Him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion, o - dors of
- 4 Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple ob - la - tion, vain - ly with



dark - ness and lend us thine aid; star of the west, the ho -
head with the beasts of the stall. An - gels a - dore Him in
E - dom and of-frings di - vine, gems of the moun-tain and
gifts would His fa - vor se - cure. Rich - er by far is the



ri - zon a - dorn-ing, guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
slum-ber re-clin - ing, Ma - ker and Mon-arch and Sav - ior of all.
pearls of the o - cean, myrrh from the for - est and gold from the mine?
heart's ad - o - ra - tion; dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.

- 5 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;
star of the west, the horizon adorning,
guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.