Brightest and Best of the Stars

1 Bright-est and best of the sons_ of the morn-ing,
2 What shall we give him, in cost-ly de-vot-ion?
3 Vain-ly we of-fer each la-vish o-bla-tion,
4 Bright-est and best of the stars_ of the morn-ing,

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!

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