

Brightest and Best

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music: Star in the East
from Southern Harmony, 1835

Em B5 Em G A B Em C

1.,5. Brigh - test and best of the stars of the mor - ning, dawn on our
2. Cold on his cra - dle the dew - drops are shi - ning, low lies his
3. Shall we then yield him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion, o - dors of
4. Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple o - bla - tion, vain - ly with

Bm G D Em B5 Em G

dark - ness, and lend us thine aid. Star of the east, the ho - ri - zon a -
head with the beasts of the stall. An - gels a - dore him in slum - ber re -
E - dom, and of - frings di - vine, gems of the moun - tain, and pearls of the
gifts would his fa - vor se - cure. Rich - er by far is the heart's a - do -

A B Em C Bm G D Em Em D G D Em

dor - ning, guide where our in - fant re - dee - mer is laid. Bright-test and best of the
cli - ning, Ma - ker and Mon - arch and Sa - viour of all.
o - cean, myrrh from the fo - rest, and gold from the mine?
ra - tion, dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.

D Bm Em D G D G Am D G

stars of the mor - ning, dawn on our dark - ness, and lend us thine aid. Star of the

C Em G C G A B Em C Bm D G D Em

east, the ho - ri - zon a - dor - ning, guide where our in - fant Re - dee - mer is laid.