

What star is this, with beams so bright?

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What star is this, with beams so bright, More love - ly than the

noon - day light? More love - ly than the noon - day light?

'Tis sent t'an- nounce a new born King, 'Tis sent t'an- nounce a new-born King, Glad

tid - ings of our God to bring, Glad ti-dings of our God to bring.

2. 'Tis now fulfilled what God decreed,
"From Jacob shall a star proceed";
And lo! the eastern sages stand,
To read in heav'n the Lord's command.

3. While outward signs the star displays,
An inward light the Lord conveys,
And urges them, with force benign,
To seek the giver of the sign.

6. To God the Father, God the Son,
And Holy Spirit, three in one,
May ev'ry tongue and nation raise
An endless song of thankful praise!

4. True love can brook no dull delay;
Nor toil nor dangers stop their way
Home, kindred, father land and all
They leave at their creator's call.

5. O, while the star of heav'nly grace
Invites us, Lord, to seek thy face,
May we no more that grace repel,
Or quench that light which shines so well.

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