

Brightest and Best

Tuning: D-F#-A

Music: American Folk Hymn

Words: Reginald Heber, 1811

Arranged E. DiPietri 2006

♩ = 90 Bm F#m

1. Bright - est and best of the sons of the morn - ing,
2. Say, shall we yield Him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion,

5 Bm F#m9 Bm7 Bm

Dawn on our dark - ness and lend us Thine aid;
O - dors of E - dom and of - f'rings di - vine?

9 Bm F#m

Star of the East, the ho - ri - zon a - dorn - ing,
Gems of the moun - tain and pearls of the o - cean,

13 Bm F#m9 Bm7 Bm

Guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
Myrrh from the for - est, or gold from the mine?

17 Bm Bm7 Em Bm

Cold on His cradle the dew-drops are shining;
Vain-ly we offer each ample oblation,

TAB: 0 0 1 3 4 | 4 3 5 4 3 | 3 3 4 3 4 5 | 2 3 3 1

21 Bm Bm7 Em F#

Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall;
Vain-ly with gifts would His favor secure;

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25 Bm F#m

An-gels adore Him in slumber reclining,
Rich-er by far is the heart's adoration,

TAB: 10 12 12 10 | 7 0 8 5 5 | 6 7 7 7 8 | 6 7 7 6 5

29 E9 Em6 Bm

Ma-ker and Mon-arch and Sa-rior of all!
Dear-er to God are the pray'rs of the poor.

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