

# How bright appears the Morning Star

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W. Mercer (1811-1873),  
after P. Nicolai (1556-1608)

Mel.: P. Nicolai (1556-1608),  
arr. J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

1. How bright ap - pears the Morn - ing Star, with mer - cy beam - ing  
2. Though cir - cled by the hosts on high, be deigned to cast a  
3. Re - joice, ye heav'n's; thou earth, re - ply; with praise, ye sin - ners,

from a - far; the host of heav'n re - joic - es;  
pit - ying eye up - on his help - less crea - ture;  
fill the sky, for this his In - car - na - tion.

O right - eous Branch, O Jes - se's Rod! Thou Son of Man and  
the whole cre - a - tion's Head and Lord, by high - est ser - a -  
In - car - nate God, put forth thy pow'r, ride on, ride on, great

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Son of God! We, too, will lift our voices:  
phim adored, assumed our very nature;  
Conqueror, till all know thy salvation.

Je - sus, Je - sus! Ho - ly, ho - ly, yet most low - ly,  
Je - sus, grant us, through thy merit, to in - her - it  
A - men, a - men! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

draw thou near us; great Em - man - uel, come and hear us.  
thy sal - va - tion; hear, O hear our sup - pli - ca - tion.  
Praise be giv - en ev - er - more, by earth and hea - ven.