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1. The King shall come when morning dawns  
   and light triumphant breaks,  
   when beauty gilds the eastern hills  
   and life to joy awakes.
2. Not as of old a little child,  
   to bear and fight and die,  
   but crowned with glory like the sun  
   that lights the morning sky.
3. O, brighter than the rising morn  
   when Christ, victorious, rose  
   and left the lonesome place of death,  
   despite the rage of foes.
4. O, brighter than that glorious morn  
   shall dawn upon our race  
   the day when Christ in splendor comes,  
   and we shall see his face.
5. The King shall come when morning dawns  
   and light and beauty brings.  
   Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray:  
   come quickly, King of Kings.

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