What star is this, with beams so bright?

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What star is this, with beams so bright, More lovely than the noonday light? 'Tis sent to announce a newborn king, Glad tidings of our God to bring.

'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.

