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Break forth, O beauteous heav'nly light,  
and usher in the morning.  
O shepherds, shudder not with fright,  
but hear the angel's warning.  
This child, now weak in infancy,  
our confidence and joy shall be,  
the pow'r of Satan breaking,  
our peace eternal making.

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