

Earth Has Many a Noble City

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1. Earth has ma - ny a no - ble ci - ty; Beth - le -
2. Fair - er than the sun at morn - ing was the
3. East - ern sa - ges at his cra - dle make their
4. Sa - cred gifts of mys - tic mean - ing: frank - in -
5. Je - sus, whom the Gen - tiles wor - shipped at your



1. hem a - lone ex - cels: from it came the Lord from
2. star that told his birth, to the world its God an -
3. off - 'rings rich and rare; see them give in deep de -
4. cense does God dis - close, gold the King of kings pro -
5. glad E - pi - phan - y, now to you with God the



1. hea - ven, came to rule his Is - ra - el.
2. noun - cing, seen in hu - man form on earth.
3. vo - tion gold and frank - in - cense and myrrh.
4. claim - ing, myrrh his se - pul - chre fore - shows.
5. Fa - ther and the Spir - it glo - ry be.

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