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- Shepherds in the fields abiding
 Watching o'er their flocks by night.
 God with man is now residing,
 Yonder shines the infant light. CHORUS
- 3. Sages leave your contemplations;

 <u>Brighter visions</u> beam afar;

 He comes: the great desire of nations;

 We have seen his natal star. CHORUS
- Saints before the altar bending, Watching long in hope and fear, Suddenly the Lord, decending, In his temple shall appear. CHORUS
- 5. Though an infant now we view him, He shall fill <u>his Father's throne</u>, Gather all the nations to him; Every knee shall then bow down. CHORUS

Original a semitone higher. Circled numbers correspond with lines of text; underlined text is to be repeated by tenor in bars 8-12; ¬¬show instrumental notes.

