
THREE KINGS FROM PERSIAN LANDS AFAR

The Three Kings

Words

Peter Cornelius and Chorale
translated from Philipp Nicolai

Music

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SATB and Tenor Solo

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Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, translated from Philipp Nicolai.

Peter Cornelius.

Solo

Three kings from Pe - sian lands a - far To Jor - dan fol - low the

Chorale

How bright - ly shines the

3

point - ing star: And this the quest of the tra - vel - lers three, Where the

morn - ing star! With grace and

5

new-born King of the Jews may - be. Full roy - al gifts they bear for the

truth from heav'n a - far Our

7

King: Gold, in - cense, myrrh are their of - fer - ing. The star shines out

Jes - se tree now blow - eth

10

with a stead-fast ray; The kings to Beth-le-hem make their way, And there in

Of Ja-cob's stem and Da - vid's line,

12

wor-ship they bend the__ knee, As Ma-ry's child in her__ lap they_ see;

For thee, my Bride - groom, King Di -

14

Their roy - al gifts they show to the King; Gold in - cense, myrrh are their

vine, My soul with love o'er-

16

of - fer - ing. Thou child of man, lo to Beth - le - hem

flow - eth. Thy word,

19

The kings are trav - 'ling, tra - vel with them! The star of mer - cy, the star of

Je - su, In - ly feeds us,

22

grace, Shall lead thy heart to its rest - ing place. Gold in - cense, myrrh thou canst not_

Right - ly leads us, Life be - stow -

24

bring; Of - fer thy heart to the in - fant_ King, Of - fer thy heart!

ing. Praise O praise such love o'er flow ing.

Praise O praise such love o'er flow - ing.