

## BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR

**One frigid night just before dawn when the earth was silent and bleak  
The world was wrapped in hopeless slumber, alone in darkness and weak.  
When brilliance, throbbing like diamonds, burst forth from clouds above  
As the skies proclaimed the work of God's hands and gift of eternal love.**

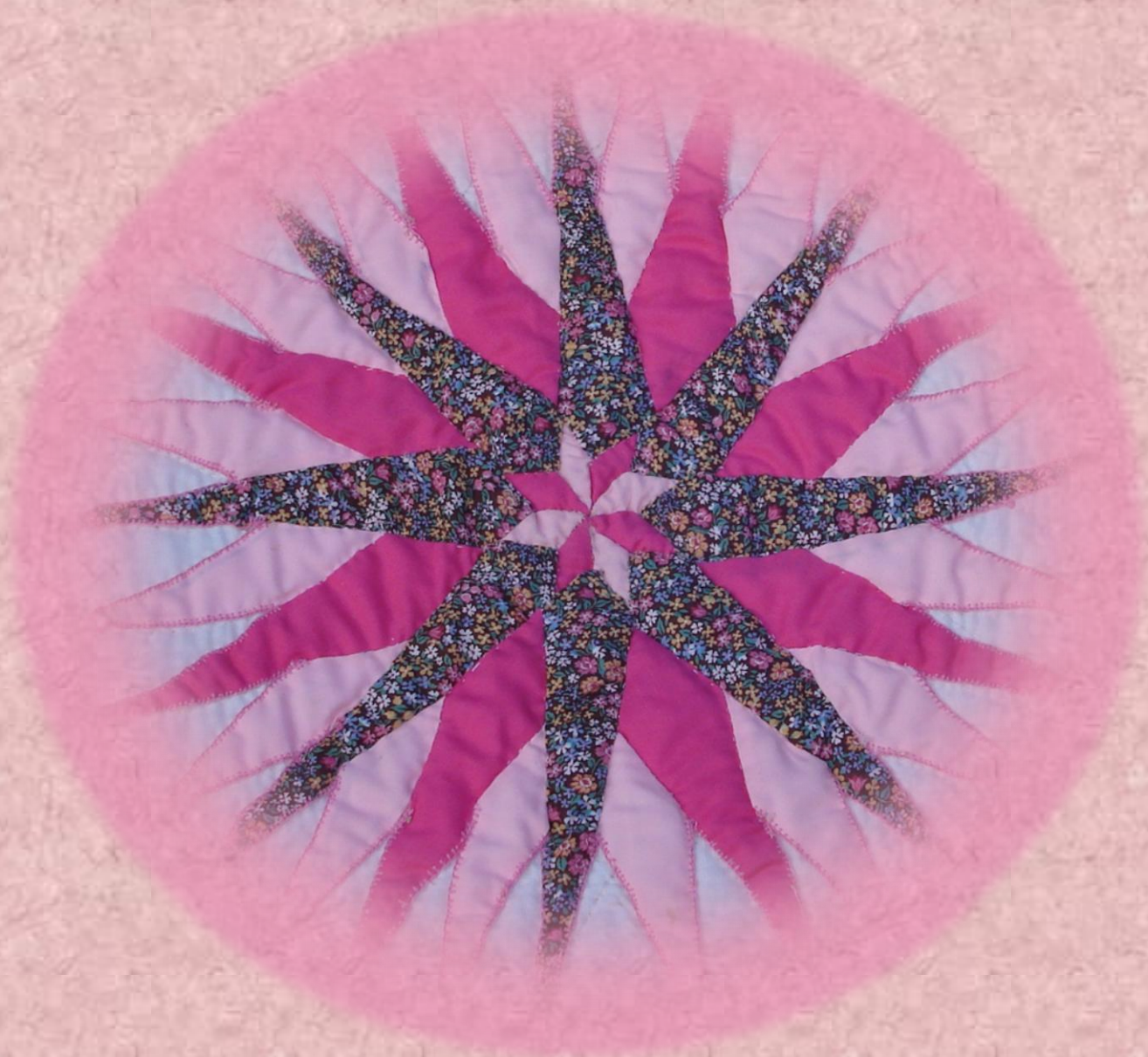
**Arise, shine, for your light has come; the glory of God's all around  
'Tis the Morning Star called Jesus, without mark or blemish to be found  
Our Savior, Scepter from Israel, shone God's light upon the scene  
Offering Bread of Life to the hungry and faith on which to lean.**

**O Morning Star of the dawn, God's angels proclaim Your birth  
Our Messiah has come from heaven above, bringing peace upon the earth  
His light is the Word from God Almighty that shines in the darkened place  
Freely offering the gift of eternal life and forgiveness to the human race.**

**The Magi followed the Star of Jacob from thousands of miles away  
Recognizing it as a proclamation, and departed without delay  
Their wisdom defined the morning star as announcing a new born king  
And rapidly departed on a journey long, with precious gifts to bring.**

**Wake up O sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you  
For it's in His Light, you'll be cleansed like snow, and hope be born anew  
Stay true to the Word until a new day dawns never letting your steps depart  
Have faith, hold firm, until the Morning Star rises, and glows within your  
heart.**





**(Sun Burst Pattern quilted by Pearl Smyer)**

**2 Peter 1: 19**

**And we have the word of the prophets  
made more certain, and you will do well to  
pay attention to it, as to light shining in a  
dark place, until the day dawns and the  
morning star rises in your hearts.**