

Simple Gifts

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A

D

A7

Musical notation for the first system (measures 1-4). The treble clef, key signature (two sharps), and 4/4 time signature are indicated. The melody is written on a single staff. Below it is a guitar chord diagram with three strings (D, A, D) and fret numbers for each string.

D

A7

D

G

D

Musical notation for the second system (measures 5-8). The treble clef, key signature (two sharps), and 4/4 time signature are indicated. The melody is written on a single staff. Below it is a guitar chord diagram with three strings (T, A, B) and fret numbers for each string.

B

A7

Musical notation for the third system (measures 9-12). The treble clef, key signature (two sharps), and 4/4 time signature are indicated. The melody is written on a single staff. Below it is a guitar chord diagram with three strings (T, A, B) and fret numbers for each string.

D

A7

D

G

D

Musical notation for the fourth system (measures 13-16). The treble clef, key signature (two sharps), and 4/4 time signature are indicated. The melody is written on a single staff. Below it is a guitar chord diagram with three strings (T, A, B) and fret numbers for each string.

Simple Gifts

'Tis the gift to be simple,
'tis the gift to be free,
'tis the gift to come down where you ought to be,
And when we find ourselves in the place just right,
It will be in the valley of love and delight.

Refrain:

When true simplicity is gained,
To bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed.
To turn, turn will be our delight,
'Til by turning, turning we come round right

'Tis the gift to be loved and that love to return,
'Tis the gift to be taught and a richer gift to learn,
And when we expect of others what we try to live each day,
Then we'll all live together and we'll all learn to say,

Refrain

'Tis the gift to have friends and a true friend to be,
'Tis the gift to think of others not to only think of "me",
And when we hear what others really think and really feel,
Then we'll all live together with a love that is real.

Refrain

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