

SIMPLE GIFTS

for S.A.B. voices and piano
with optional PianoTrax CD*

Words Traditional
Second verse by JAY ALTHOUSE

American Shaker Song
Arranged by JAY ALTHOUSE

Lightly, in two (♩ = ca. 60)

SOPRANO
ALTO

BARITONE

PIANO

mf

5

rit.

a tempo
mf 7

'Tis the gift to be sim - ple, 'tis the

rit.

a tempo

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8

gift to be free. _____ 'Tis the

11

gift to come down where we ought to be. _____

14

15

mf

And when we find our-selves in the place just right, _____

17

'twill be in the val ley of

20

21 *mf*

When true sim - plic - i - ty is gained, to

love and de-light.

23

bow and to bend we shan't be a-shamed. To turn, turn, ___ will

26

till by turn - ing, turn - ing we

be our de - light, turn, turn, we

29

come 'round right.

32

mf 34

'Tis the gift to be lov - ing, 'tis the

Hm hm hm

35

gift to be kind. 'Tis the gift of grace we know that we will find.

hm hm hm And

38

Hm hm we'll know that the truth will

when we see the light at the break of day

41

42

show us the way. When true sim - plic - i - ty is gained, to

44

bow and to bend we shan't be a-shamed. To turn, turn, — will

47

be our de-light, — till by turn - ing turn - ing we
turn, turn, — we

50

come 'round right. *f* 'Tis the *f*

53

gift to be sim-ple, 'tis the gift to be free. 'Tis the gift to come down

56

where we ought to be. And when we find our-selves in the

58

place just right, 'twill be in the val - ley of love and de-light.

61

When true sim - plic - i - ty is gained, to bow and to bend we

When true sim - plic - i - ty is gained,

64

shan't be a-shamed. To turn, turn, will be our de-light,

67

till by turn - ing, turn - ing we

turn, turn, we come 'round

72

70 *decresc.*

right. *decresc.* 'Tis the gift, *mf*

decresc.

74 *mf* *rit.* *mp* Slowly, freely

'tis the gift, 'tis the gift to be

Slowly, freely

rit. *mp*

77 *p*

sim - ple and free.

p

p 8va

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