

for the Mormon Tabernacle Choir

SIMPLE GIFTS

For Mixed Choir (SATB),
Piccolo, Flute, Glockenspiel, and Organ

Trad. Shaker, with additional
lyrics by David Warner

Shaker Song,
Mack Wilberg, *arr.*

In two, but not too fast

unis. mp

Tenor
Bass

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

3

T.
B.

gift to come down where you ought to be, And when you find your-selves in the

6

Picc.

mp

T.
B.

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

9

Picc.

T.
B.

When true sim - pli - ci - ty is gained, to bow and to bend we

12

Picc.

T.
B.

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

15

Picc.

Fl.

T.
B.

turn - ing, turn - ing we come 'round right.

Org.

mp

mp (8, 2)

18

Picc.

Fl.

Org.

21

Picc.

Fl.

S.
A.

'Tis the

Org.

unis. mp

25

Picc.

Fl.

S.
A.

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

Org.

(8' only)

Detailed description: This system contains measures 25 and 26. The Piccolo and Flute parts are silent, indicated by whole rests. The Soprano and Alto vocal parts enter in measure 25 with the lyrics 'gift to be sim - ple, 'tis the gift to be true, 'tis the'. The organ accompaniment features a melody in the right hand and chords in the left hand, with a low register (8' only) indicated.

27

S.
A.

gift to la - bor 'til the day is through. And when you find your-self in the

Org.

Detailed description: This system contains measures 27 and 28. The vocal parts continue the previous phrase. The organ accompaniment continues with a melodic line in the right hand and chords in the left hand.

30

Picc.

S.
A.

place so fine, 'twill be in the cool of the birch and the pine.

Org.

mp

Detailed description: This system contains measures 30 and 31. The Piccolo part enters in measure 31 with a melodic line marked *mp*. The vocal parts continue the previous phrase. The organ accompaniment continues with a melodic line in the right hand and chords in the left hand.