Traditional Shaker words

Calmly and with freedom

Simple Gifts

for SATB Chorus, String Quartet or String Orchestra and Piano

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when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.

Somewhat faster

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'Tis the
gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, oo.

And 'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, oo,

just right, 'Twill be in the valley of love and de-

when we find ourselves in the place, oo, 'Twill be in the valley of love and de-

light. When true simplicity is gained, To bow and to bend we

light. When true simplicity is gained, To bow and to bend we

light. When true simplicity is gained, we shan't

light. When true simplicity is gained, To bow and to bend we
shan’t be a-shamed, To turn, turn will be our de-light, 'Till by turning, turning we
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come 'round right.

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With spirit $q = 112$

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

gift to come down where we ought to be, And when we find our-selves in the place just
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gift to come down where we ought to be, And when we find our-selves in the
right, 'Twill be in the val-ley of love and de-light.

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

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

When true simplicity is gained, To bow and to bend we shan’t be ashamed.
'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, And when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'Twill be in the valley of the shadow of death.

{'Tis unis. the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, And when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'Twill be in the valley of the shadow of death.
love and delight, 'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.