Be Thou My Vision

Meter ¾; Key of D

INTRO: D, , D/G, , D, , D/G, ,

Verse 1:

D D/G
Be Thou my vis - ion, O Lord of my heart;
A/B Bm D/G
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art-
Em7 D/F♯ G E7/G♯
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
G D/F♯ Em7 D, , D/G, ,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Verse 2:

D D/G
Be Thou my wis-dom, and thou my true word;
A/B Bm D/G
I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Em7 D/F♯ G E7/G♯
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,
G D/F♯ Em7 D, , D/G, ,
Thou in my dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Bridge:

Bm A D/G
Be the vision that drives me, the dream I pursue
Bm A D/G
Be the crown that I work for, the thought I consume
Bm A
Be the wisdom that guides me
D/G E/G♯, , G, , E/G♯, , G(stop)
The King that will rule over me Rule over me

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Verse 3:

D D/G
Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
A Bm D/G
Thou mine in - heri - tance, now and always;
Em7 D/F♯ G E7/G♯
Thou and Thou only, first in my hea - rt,
G D/F♯ Em7 D, , D/G, ,
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

Verse 4:

D D/G
High King of Heav – en, my victo - ry won,
A/B Bm D/G
May I reach heav – en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Em7 D/F♯ G E7/G♯
Heart of my own heart, whatever be – fall,
G D/F♯ Em7 D, , D/G, ,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Bridge:

Bm A D/G
Be the vision that drives me, the dream I pursue
Bm A D/G
Be the crown that I work for, the thought I consume
Bm A
Be the wisdom that guides me
D/G E/G♯, , G, , E/G♯, , G, ,
The King that will rule over me Rule over me
E/G♯, , G, , E/G♯, , G(stop)
Rule over me Rule over me

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Em7 D/F♯ G E7/G♯
Heart of my own heart, whatever be – fall,
G D/F♯ Em7 D, , D/G, , D, , D/G, ,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all. D, , D/G, , D/G(end)

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