

# BE THOU MY VISION

FOR MIXED CHOIR

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BE THOU MY VISION Irish Hymn

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word,  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
Thou my great Father, and I thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always,  
Thou and thou only first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

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Jeffrey Bernstein is a California-based composer, conductor, pianist and educator. He is founding director of the Pasadena Master Chorale and artistic director of the Los Angeles Daiku and was for eleven years director of choral music at Occidental College. Bernstein holds music degrees from Harvard, Yale and UCLA. He has led choirs on fourteen tours of four continents and traveled extensively as a guest conductor, directing choirs and orchestras in Europe, Japan and throughout this country. Recently premiered works include *Dreams of Japan* with the Tokushima Symphony, *Fukushima Requiem* with the Los Angeles Daiku Orchestra, and *The Human Journey*, commissioned and premiered by the L.A. Choral Lab. Bernstein performs solo concerts of improvised piano music has released three piano albums: *Piano Journals* (2012), *Clear Mind Calm Water* (2015) and *The Desert House* (2015). A committed educator and strong advocate for children, Bernstein maintains a private studio and is on staff at the Pasadena Waldorf School, where he creates improvised piano music for young people.

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♩ = 88

ARR. JEFFREY BERNSTEIN (ASCAP)

2 3 4 5 6 7 8

S  
Be thou my\_ vi-sion, O Lord of my heart, Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
*pp*

A  
Be thou my\_ vi-sion, O Lord of my heart, Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
*pp*

B  
Be thou my\_ vi-sion, O Lord of my heart, Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
*pp*



9 10 11 12 13

S  
Thou my\_ best\_ thought, by day or by night, Wak - ing or  
*p* *pp*

A  
Thou my\_ best\_ thought, by day or by night, Wak - ing or  
*p* *pp*

B  
Thou my\_ thought, by day or night, Wak - ing,  
*p* *pp*



14 15 16 17 18 19 20

S  
sleep ing, thy\_ pres-ence my light. Be thou my\_ true word\_ *p*

A  
sleep ing, thy\_ pres-ence my light. Be thou my\_ wis-dom, and thou my true word.  
*p*

B  
sleep ing, my light. Be thou my true word\_ *p*



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21 22 23 24 25 26

I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord Thou my\_ great fath - er,  
*mf*

AH AH Lord, Thou my fath - er,  
*mf*

AH AH Lord, Thou my fath - er  
*mf*

27 28 29 30 31 32

I thy true son, Thou in me dwell, And I with thee one.

I thy son, Thou in me dwell, and I with thee one.

I thy true son, In me dwell, and I with thee one.

33 34 35 36 37 38

praise, Thou mine in - her - it - ance  
*mf* *ff*

Heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, Thou mine in - her - it - ance  
*f* *ff*

Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, Thou mine in - her - it - ance  
*f* *ff*

39 40 41 42 43

al - ways. Thou in my

*mp*

Thou on - ly first in my

*mf*

now and al - ways, Thou and thou on - ly, first in my

*mf*

44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51

heart, King heav'n thou art. Be thou my Lord,

*p* *pp*

heart, King of heav'n, thou art. Be thou my vis-ion O Lord, O

*p* *pp*

heart, High King of heav-en, my trea-sure thou art. Be thou my

*p* *pp*

52 53 54 55 56 57 58

Lord, Lord, Lord thy pres - ence my light.

Lord, O Lord and thou with me thy pres - ence my light.

best thought by day or by night, thy pres - ence my light.