

# Simple Gifts

USA, Traditional Shaker-Song by Joseph Brakett Jr., 1848

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1. 'Tis a gift to be sim - ple, 'tis a gift to be free, 'tis a  
gift to come down\_\_\_\_\_ where you ought to be. And  
when we find our - selves\_\_\_\_\_ in the place just right, 'twill  
be in the val - ley of love and de - light.  
When true sim - pli - ci - ty is gained, to  
bow and to bend we\_\_\_\_\_ won't be a - shamed. To  
turn, to turn will be\_\_\_\_\_ our de - light till by  
turn - ing and turn - ing we come out right.