

# Be thou my vision

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1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
2 Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;  
3 Be thou my buckler, my sword for the fight.  
4 Riches I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;  
5 High King of heav - en, when vic - t'ry is won



1 naught be all else to me save that thou art.  
2 I ev - er with thee, and thou with me, Lord.  
3 Be thou my dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light,  
4 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways.  
5 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!



1 Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
2 Thou my great Ma-ker, thy child may I be,  
3 thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tower.  
4 Thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,  
5 Heart of my heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



1 wak - ing or sleep - ing thy pres - ence my light.  
2 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
3 Raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
4 high King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
5 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.