

I Want a Principle Within

♩. = 50 D D(no3)7/G G D/A A7

I want a prin - ci - ple with - in that lifts my heart from
From trust that I no more may stray, no more time's prom - ise
O source of life, of hope, of love, to me thy pow'r im -

4 D D D(no3)7/G G

fear, a sen - si - bil - i - ty where - in life's
grieve, to hear that still, small voice, I pray, to the
- part; the splint - ers from my soul re - move, the

7 D/A A7 D D A7

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tend - er con - science cleave. Quick as the ap - ple
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G D A/E E7 A

think and feel in all things I re - quire, to
of an eye, that in - ner wis - dom make; be -
now en - train my re - a - wak - ened soul, and

13

D D(no3)7/G G

guide the wand - 'ring of my will and
- stir, the my soul, - when that troub - le's nigh, and
lead me to that spring a - gain, which

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D/A A7 D

grasp that ho - ly fire.
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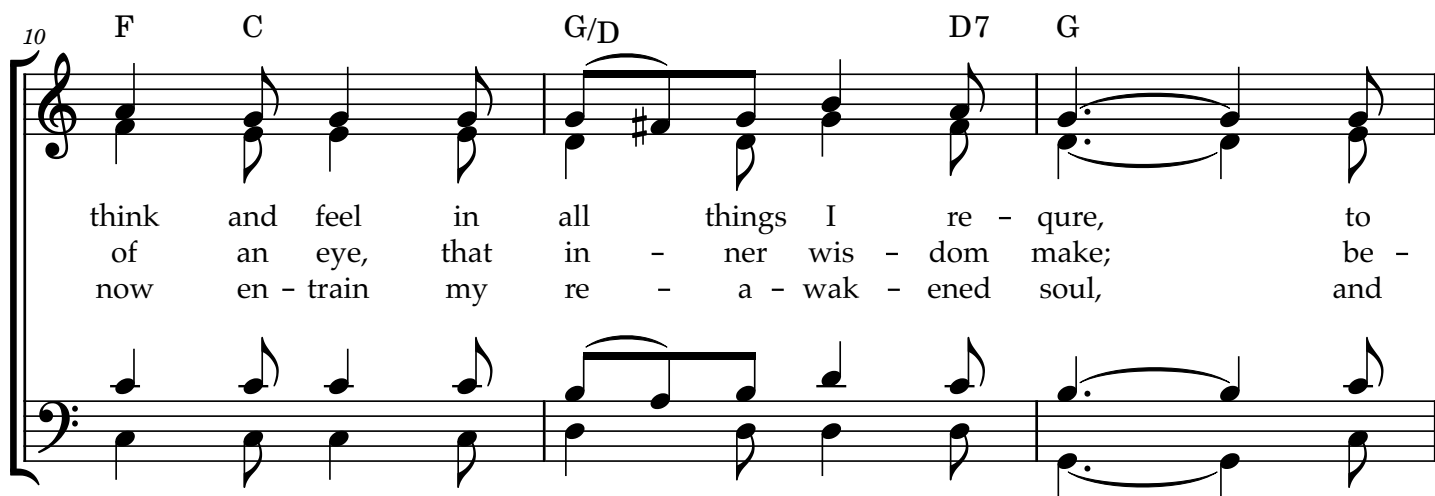
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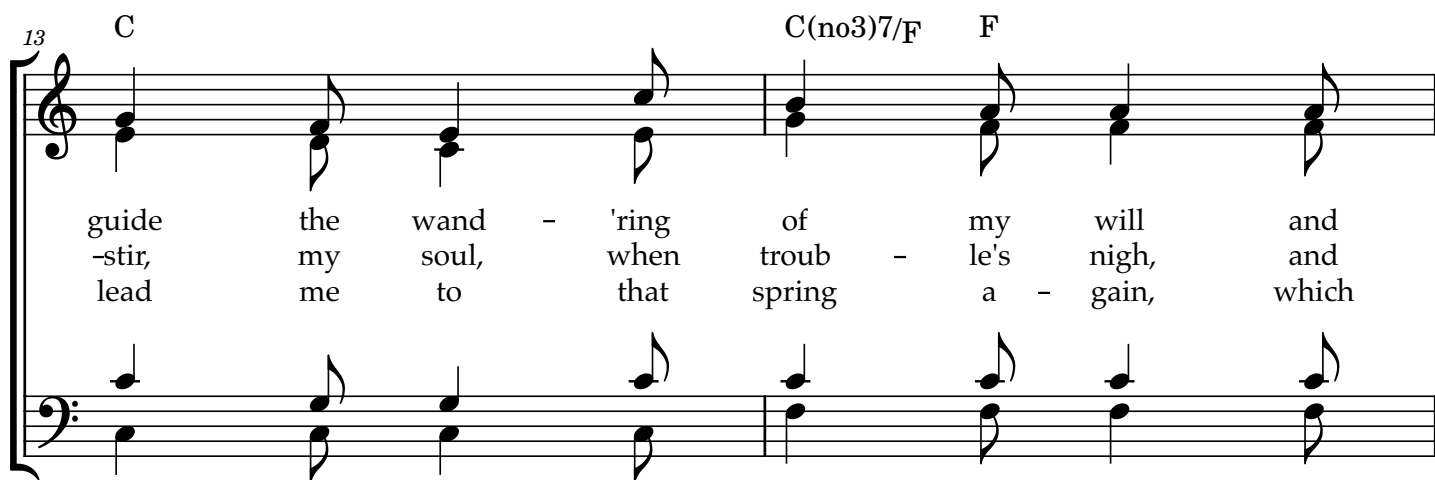
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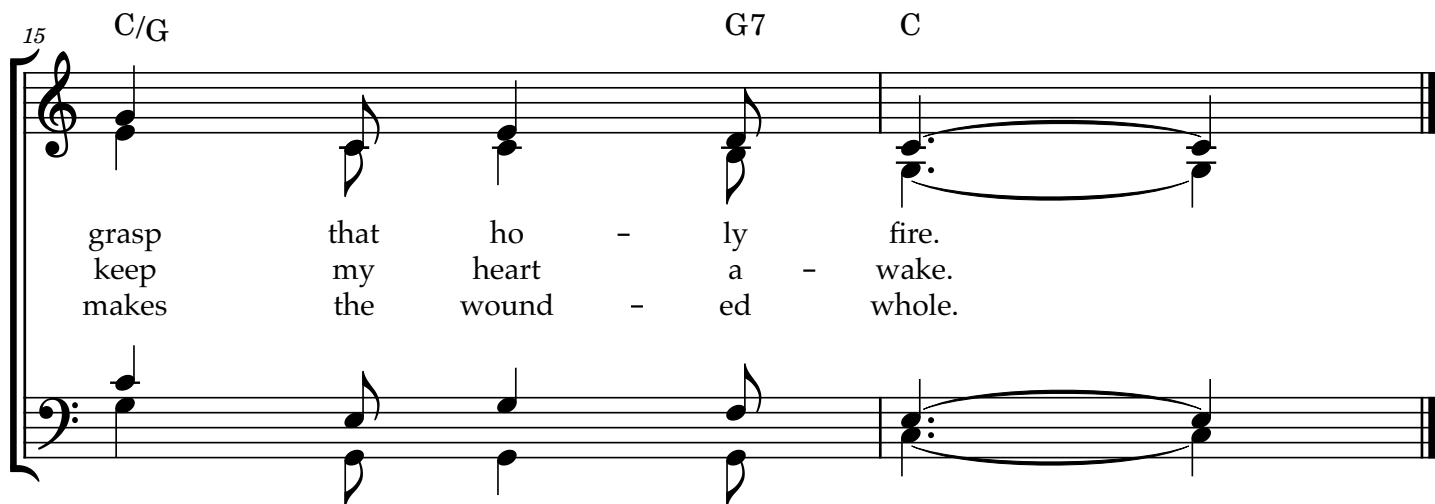
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13 C C(no3)/F F



guide - stir, lead the my me wand soul, to - 'ring when that of troub - le's a - will nigh, gain, and and which

15 C/G G7 C



grasp keep makes that my the ho heart wound - ly a - fire. wake. whole.

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think and feel in all things I re-quire, to
of an eye, that in-ner wis-dom make; be-
now en-train my re-a-wak-ened soul, and

13 B B(no3)/E E

guide-stir, the wand - 'ring of my will and
-stir, my soul, - when that troub - le's nigh, and
lead me to that spring a - gain, and which

15 B/F# F#7 B

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4 B♭ B♭ B♭(no3)/7/E♭, E♭

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 now en - train my re - a - wak - ened soul, and

13 Bb Bb(no3)7/Eb Eb

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15 Bb/F F7 Bb

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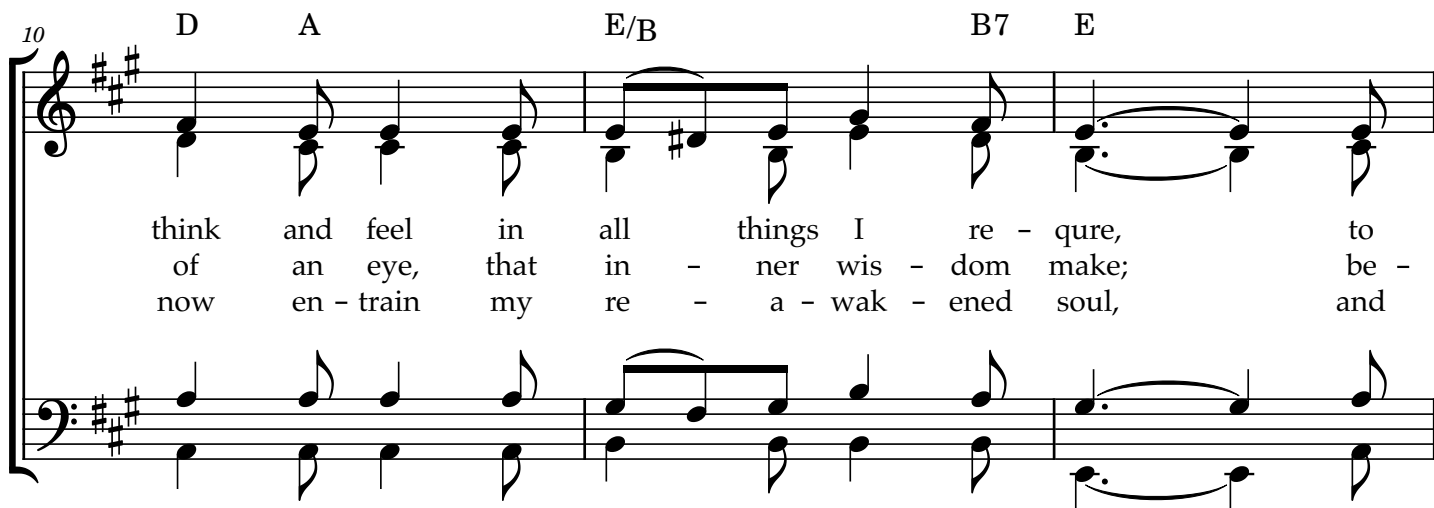
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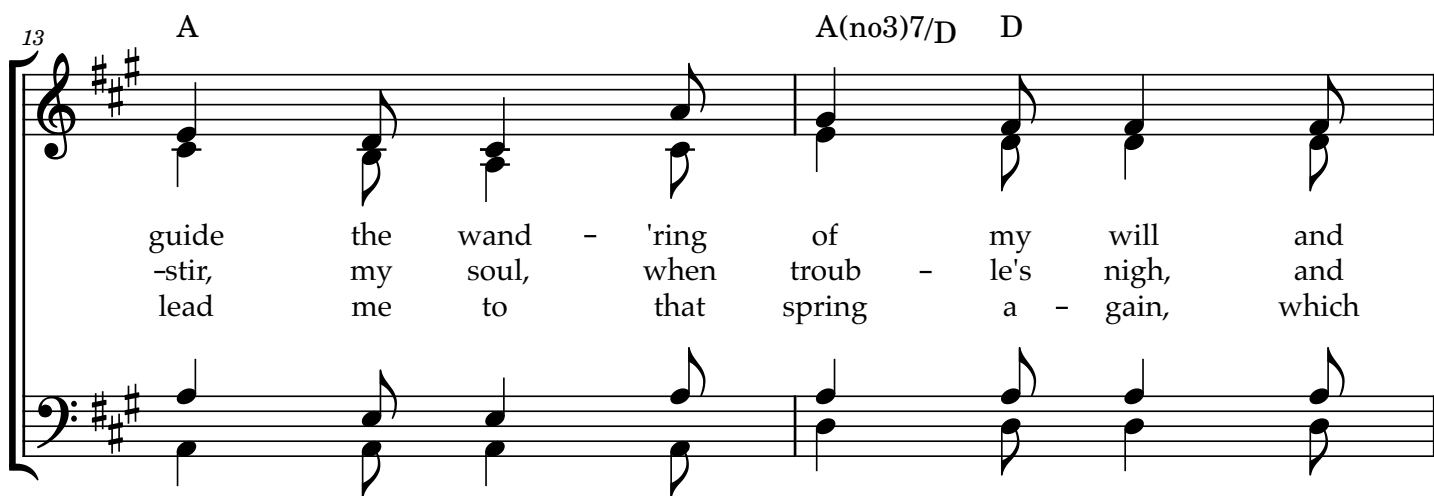
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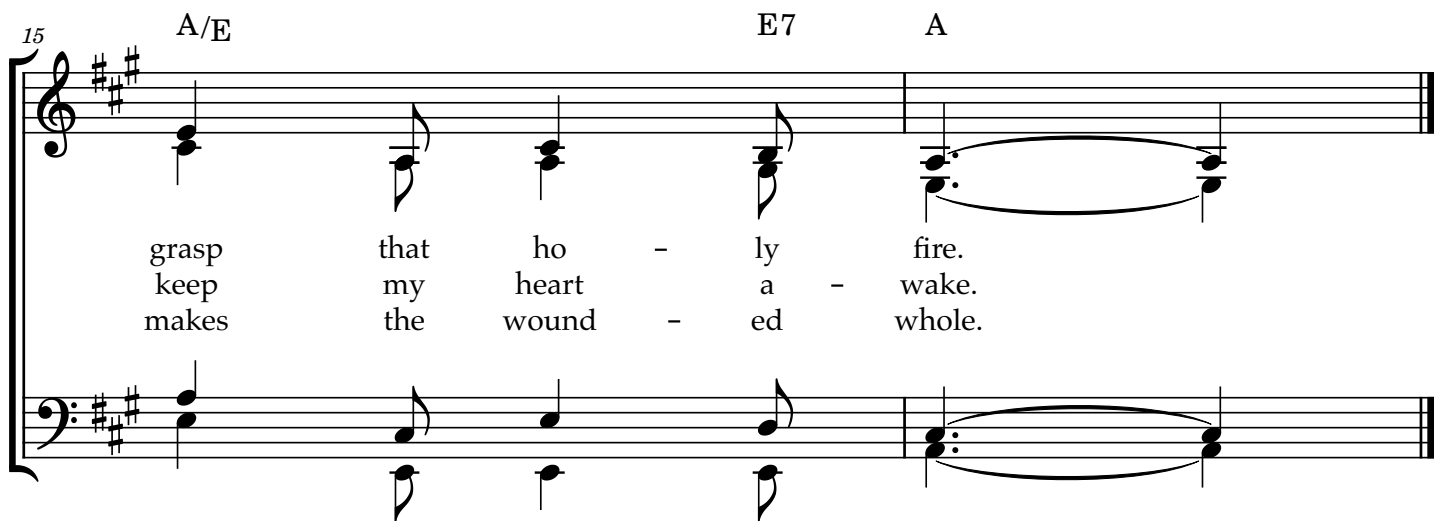
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A/E E7 A



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Ab Ab(no3)/Db Db

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Ab/Eb Eb7 Ab

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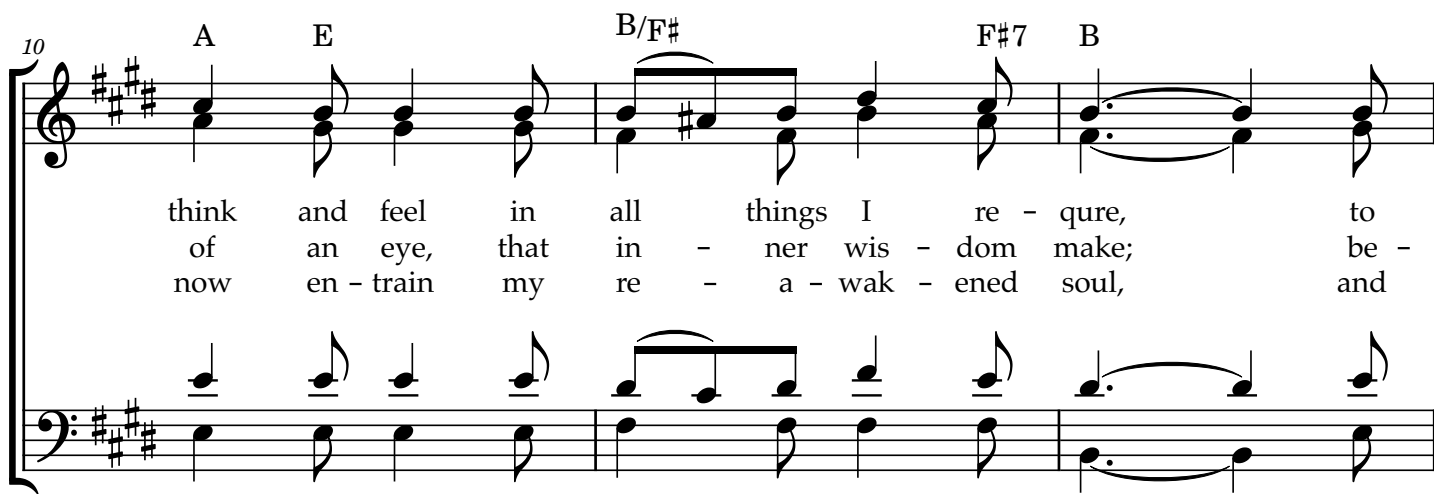
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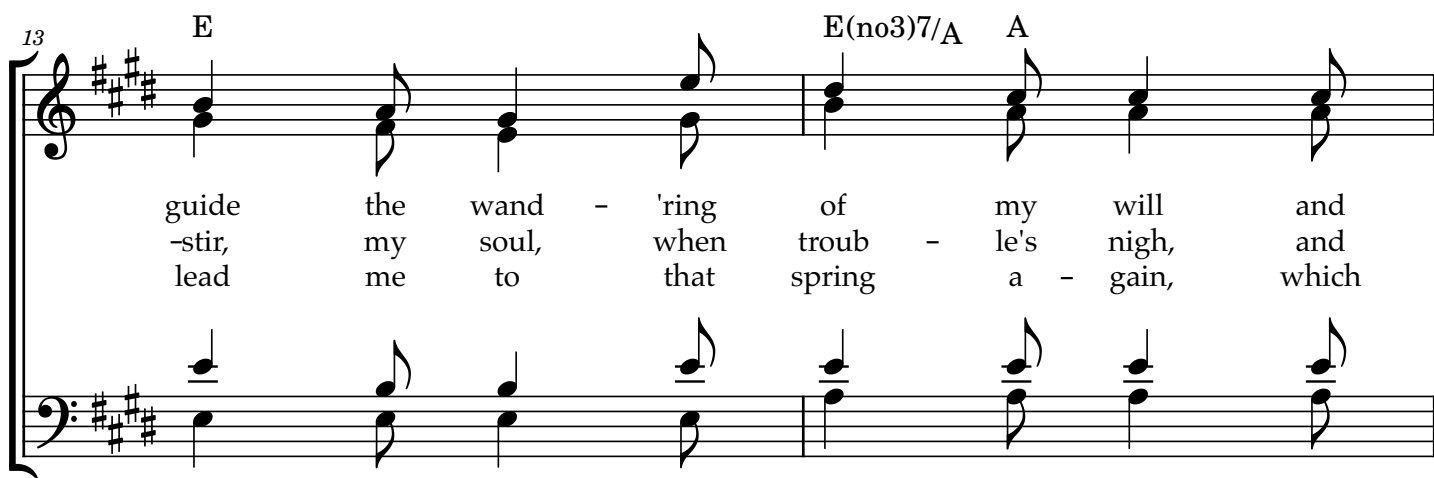
A E B/F# F#7 B



think of now and an eye, en-train feel in that my in - ner wis - dom make; re - quire, to be - and

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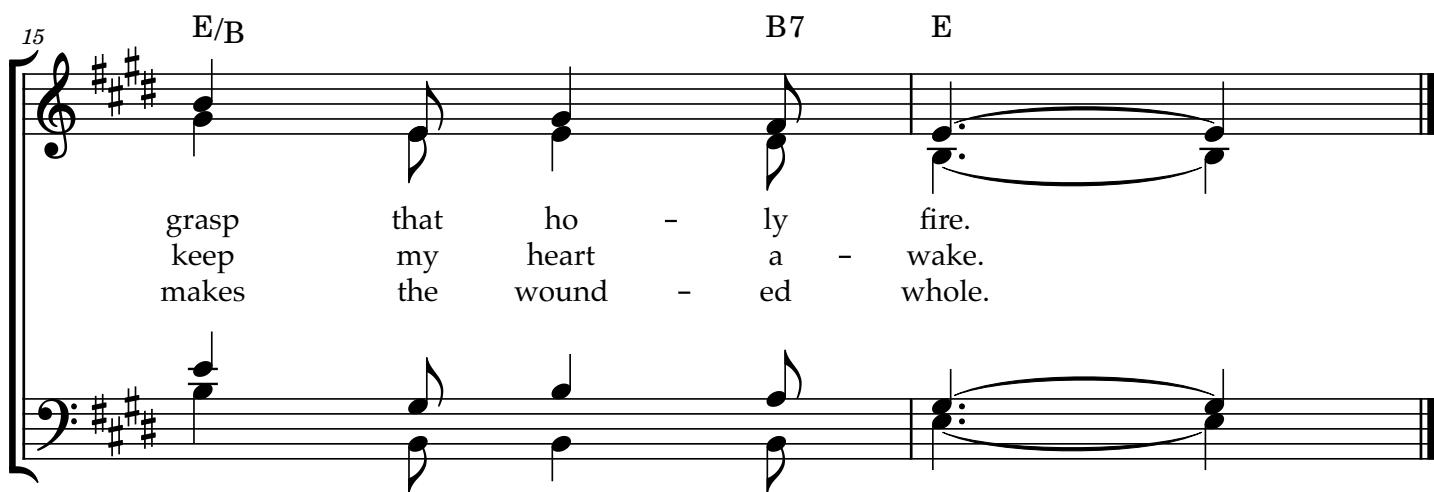
E E(no3)7/A A



guide - stir, lead the my me wand - soul, to - 'ring when that of troub spring - my le's a - will nigh, gain, and and which

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E/B B7 E



grasp keep makes that my the ho heart wound - ly a - fire. wake. whole.

I Want a Principle Within

♩. = 50 Eb Eb(no3)/7/Ab Ab Eb/Bb Bb7

I want a prin - ci - ple with - in that lifts my heart from
From trust that I no more may stray, no more time's prom - ise
O source of life, of hope, of love, to me thy pow'r im -

4 Eb Eb Eb(no3)/7/Ab Ab

fear, a sen - si - bil - i - ty where - in life's
grieve, to hear that still, small voice, I pray, to the
- part; the splint - ers from my soul re - move, the

7 Eb/Bb Bb7 Eb Eb Bb7

good - ness draws me near. Dis - cern - ing how I
tend - er con - science cleave. Quick as the ap - ple
hard - ness from my heart. O may com - pas - sion

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👉 One-time Adaptation

👍 New Arrangement OK

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I Want a Principle Within - 2

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Ab Eb Bb/F F7 Bb

think and feel in all things I re - quire, to
 of an eye, that in - ner wis - dom make; be -
 now en - train my re - a - wak - ened soul, and

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Eb Eb(no3)7/Ab Ab

guide the wand - 'ring of my will and
 -stir, the my soul, when trou - le's nigh, and
 lead me to that spring a - gain, which

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Eb/Bb Bb7 Eb

grasp that ho - ly fire.
 keep my the heart a - wake.
 makes the wound - ed whole.