

The Sacred Book

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1. I love the sa - cred book of God, No oth - er can its place sup - ply;
2. Sweet book! in thee my eyes dis - cern The im - age of my ab - sent Lord;
3. But while I'm here, thou shalt sup - ply His place, and tell me of His love;

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

It points me to the saint's a - bode, And bids me from de - struc - tion fly.
From thy in - struc - tive page I learn The joys His pres - ence will af - ford.
I'll read with faith's dis - cern - ing eye, And thus par - take of joys a - bove.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. It concludes with a double bar line. The treble staff shows the continuation of the vocal line, and the bass staff shows the accompaniment.