

Be thou my vision

Dallan Forgaill (8th cent.)

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1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart, be all else but naught to me,
2. Be thou my wis - dom, be thou my true word, be thou e - ver with me, and
3. Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight; be thou my whole ar - mour, be
4. Ri - ches I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise: be thou mine in - he - ri - tance
5. High King of hea - ven, thou hea - ven's bright sun, O grant me its joys af - ter

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save that thou art; be thou my best thought in the day and the
I with thee Lord; be thou my great Fa - ther, and I thy true
thou my true might; be thou my soul's shel - ter, be thou my strong
now and al - ways; be thou and thou on - ly the first in my
vic - t'ry is won; great Heart of my own heart, what - e - ver be -

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night, both wak - ing and sleep - ing, thy pre - sence my light.
son; be thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.
tow'r: O raise thou me heav'n-ward, great Pow'r of my pow'r.
heart; O So - v'reign of hea - ven, my trea - sure thou art.
fall, still be thou my vi - sion, O Ru - ler of all.