

O Perfect Love!

Experience of God — As Love

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'O Perfect Love!'. It consists of four staves of music in a treble clef, with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a common time signature (C). The melody is written on the first staff, and the accompaniment is written on the second, third, and fourth staves. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first line of music starts with a '1.' indicating the first verse. The lyrics are: '1. O Per - fect Love! It suf - fers long, for - bear - ing; Ten - der and kind, it leads the soul to sing; Free from all jeal - ous thought and boast - ful feel - ing, May I this love di - vine to oth - ers bring.' The chords are indicated by letters above the notes: D, A/E, D/F#, F#, G, A7/G, F#m, Bm, G, E7, A, D, A/E, D/F#, F#, G, G, A7/G, F#m, Em, A7, D.

2. O, selfless love! 'Tis never unbecoming;
Purest affection "seeks not its own things;"
Never provoked, not counting evil doing;
Let this love echo forth from my heart's strings.
3. O noble love! In righteousness rejoicing,
A love that cheers whenever truth is king;
It covers all things, and believes it all things,
It hopes all things, and will endure all things.
4. O lasting love! It fades not, ne'er abating;
Timeless and strong, prevails o'er everything;
When knowledge fails, and gifts are unavailing;
May I be found in its eternal spring.