WOULD YOU TAKE BACK THE LOVE YOU GAVE ME

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Moderately with expression

f

Have I been dream - ing all the while That life could be so fair? Have all the things I planned with you Been cas - tles in the air? You gave me your love, now you say we must part, Would you take it a - way? Would you break my heart?

You gave me just a lit - tle glimpse Of Par - a - dise a - bove, Un - cov - ered all the se - cret joys That on - ly come with love. You showed me the way to be hap - py, some - how; Life would not be worth while if I lost you now.

rit. *ff* *p* *rit.*

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p - *f* *poco rit.* *ff rit.* *ffz* *ff* *ff rit.* *fff*

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p

hap - pi - ness my heart once knew, Of love you had for me. Each ros - a - ry must

rit. *a tempo*

have its cross To bear un - to the end, And mine is just my bro - ken heart, Which

on - ly you can mend. My ros - a - ry will

a little animated

rit. *poco rit.* *mf*

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