Simple Gifts - DADD Tuning

There are so many dulcimer players using the DAD (or DADD) tuning that I include a version of "Simple Gifts" in this tuning. In this arrangement, use a flatpick and pick out the individual notes in the tablature rather than strumming all the strings all the time. Again if you have a three course fretted dulcimer rather than a four, ignore the notes for the inside treble string.

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Key of D
Ionian Melody
Tune D A D D
Strummed

Tis the gift to be simple, tis the gift to be free. Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be. And when we find ourselves in the place just right it will

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be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained, To

bow and to bend we will not be ashamed. To

turn, to turn will be our delight When by

turning, turning we come 'round right.