

# O Heavenly Word, Eternal Light

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SATB, a cappella

Latin, ca. 7th cent.; trans. *Hymnal* 1982

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*always legato, expressive* (♩ = ca. 76)

Alto *p*

Tenor *p*

O hea - ven - ly Word, e - ter - nal Light, he - got - ten of the Fa - ther's  
(our Ma - ker's)

4 *S. p*

might, who in these lat - ter days wast born for bless - ing to a

T.B. *pp*

Ah (covered) Ooo

8

world for - lorn;

(T.B.) *p*

pour light up - on us from a - bove, and  
pour light from a - bove, and

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12 *S.A. p*

fire our hearts with ar - dent love, that, as we hear thy  
fire with love,

15 *mf* *p* (S.A.)

wrong de - sires may truth to - day, all wrong may burn a - way; and  
wrong de - sires may burn a - way; and

(S.A.) (T.B.)

19 *mf*

when, as judge, thou draw - est nigh the se - crets of our hearts to  
when, as judge, thou draw - est nigh the se - crets of our hearts to

22 *f* *mp*

try, to rec - om - pense each hid - den sin and bid the saints their  
try, to rec - om - pense each hid - den sin and bid the saints their

4  
26

reign be - gin; O let us not, for e - vil past, be

(S.A.)

*p*

30

driv - en from thy face at last, Ah (covered) Ooo

(T.B.)

*p*

*pp*

but with thy saints for ev - er - more be -

34

hold thee, love thee, and a - dore.

*poco rit.*