How Can I Keep From Singing

Quaker Hymn

Arranged by Paul Gibson

INTRO: \( \frac{4}{\text{c. 96}} \)

Trumpets in C

*(Organ)*

Trombones

VERSE 1: (SATB, Organ, & Assembly)

(Melody)

1. My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamenting

*Organ plays brass parts if brass not available. Parts for brass quartet are available from the publisher, edition 7022.
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1. temptation. I hear the real though

1. far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

REFRAIN: (SATB, Organ, & Assembly)

No storm can shake my in-most calm, while to that Rock I'm

(clinging.)

clinging. Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth,

(clinging.)
VERSE 2: (Women, Organ, & Trumpets)

Trumpets I & II

Soprano Descant

Alto (Melody)

2. Through all the tumult and the strife, I

(-sic ringing;)

2. hear the music ringing; it sounds and echoes

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2. in my soul; how can I keep from singing?

REFRAIN: (Choir and Assembly in unison; Organ and Trumpets)

No storm can shake my in-most calm; while to that Rock I'm
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cling-ing. Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth,

how can I keep from sing-ing?
VERSE 3: (Men, Organ, & Trombones)

Trombones I & II

3. What though the tempest 'round me roar, I

3. hear the truth it liveth. What though the darkness
3. ’round me close, songs in the night it giv-eth.

REFRAIN:

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Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I
VERSE 4: (SATB a capella)

4. When tyrants tremble, sick with fear, and
(ringing;)

4. hear their death knells ringing; When friends rejoice both
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REFRAIN: (All, with Organ)

S. (Assembly)

(Organ) No storm can shake my in-most calm, while to that Rock I'm clinging.

T. Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth,

B. how can I keep from singing?

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VERSE 5: (All, Organ, & Trumpets)

5. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a

5. fountain ever springing. All things are mine since
5. I am his; how can I keep from singing?

FINAL REFRAIN: Tutti

(Tpts. I, II)

(Trombones I, II)

(Soprano Descant)

No storm can shake my in-most calm, while to that Rock I'm

(Melody, A., T., B.)

(in-most calm,)

(Organ)

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clinging. Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth,

how can I keep from singing, from singing?

how can I keep from singing?
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HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

VERSES:

1. My life flows on in endless song;
   Through all the tumult and the strife,
   I hear the real though
   bove earth's lamentation,

2. What though the tempest round me roar,
   When tyrants tremble, sick with fear,
   And hear that music ringing;

3. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
   All things are mine since
   hear the truth it liveth,

4. I hear their death knells ringing;
   When friends rejoice both
   hear their death knells ringing;

5. As far as the creation.
   As far as the creation.
   As far as the creation.

REFRAIN:

No storm can shake my inmost calm,
While to that Rock I'm clinging,
Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth,
How can I keep from singing?

*Verse 1 & 5: All; 2: Women; 3: Men; 4: Choir only