

# 55. Just Because

(From the Secular Hymnal)

Words: Secretary Michael

Music: "Monks Gate" (traditional English)

Set by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1904

Metric Simplification: Secretary Michael  
(traditional hymn: "He Who Would Valiant Be")

D Bm G D A D

S  
Just be-cause it's etched in gold, does - n't mean it's good.  
Just be-cause the words might rhyme, does - n't mean they're true.

A  
Just be-cause it's etched in gold, does - n't mean it's good.  
Just be-cause the words might rhyme, does - n't mean they're true.

T  
Just be-cause it's etched in gold, does - n't mean it's good.  
Just be-cause the words might rhyme, does - n't mean they're true.

B  
Just be-cause it's etched in gold, does - n't mean it's good.  
Just be-cause the words might rhyme, does - n't mean they're true.

5 D Bm G D A D

S  
Just be-cause the o - thers do, does - n't mean we should.  
Just be-cause we may - be can, does - n't mean we do.

A  
Just be-cause the o - thers do, does - n't mean we should.  
Just be-cause we may - be can, does - n't mean we do.

T  
Just be-cause the o - thers do, does - n't mean we should.  
Just be-cause we may - be can, does - n't mean we do.

B  
Just be-cause the o - thers do, does - n't mean we should.  
Just be-cause we may - be can, does - n't mean we do.



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9      D            Bm            F#            G            D            Bm            A

S  
 Just be-cause it might be old, does - n't mean it's wise.  
 Just be-cause the wolf might cry, does - n't mean it's sad.

A  
 Just be-cause it might be old, does - n't mean it's wise.  
 Just be-cause the wolf might cry, does - n't mean it's sad.

T  
 Just be-cause it might be old, does - n't mean it's wise.  
 Just be-cause the wolf might cry, does - n't mean it's sad.

B  
 Just be-cause it might be old, does - n't mean it's wise.  
 Just be-cause the wolf might cry, does - n't mean it's sad.

13      D            Bm            G            D            A            D

S  
 Just be-cause it might have wings, does - n't mean it flies.  
 Just be-cause the bird might sing, does - n't mean it's glad.

A  
 Just be-cause it might have wings, does - n't mean it flies.  
 Just be-cause the bird might sing, does - n't mean it's glad.

T  
 Just be-cause it might have wings, does - n't mean it flies.  
 Just be-cause the bird might sing, does - n't mean it's glad.

B  
 Just be-cause it might have wings, does - n't mean it flies.  
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(Note: chord symbols support the soprano melody, not necessarily the SATB harmony)