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(The Dream Melody)

For It Is Love Alone  
That Rules For Aye!

Music by  
VICTOR HERBERT

Lyric by  
RIDA JOHNSON YOUNG

Moderato

*mf* *accel.*

Andante

Ah! sweet mys - ter - y of life, at last I've

*pp colla voce*

found thee, Ah! I know at last the se - cret of it

all; All the long - ing, seek - ing, stri - ving, wait - ing,

yearn - ing, — The burn - ing hopes, the joy and i - dle tears that

fall \_\_\_\_\_ For 'tis love, and love a - lone, the world is

seek - ing; And 'tis love, and love a - lone, that can re -

pay! 'Tis the an - swer, 'tis the end and all of liv - ing, — For it is

*allargando* *ff*

*ten.* love a - lone that rules for aye! *Grandioso* *ff* For 'tis love, and love a - lone, the world is

*ten.* *cresc. molto* *ff*

seek - ing, For 'tis love, and love a - lone that can re - pay! 'Tis the

an - swer, 'tis the end and all of liv - ing! For it is love a - lone that rules for

*ten.* *ten.* *pesante*

aye!

*ff* *allargando* *ff* *pp* *pp* *ff*