

ONLY LOVE CAN DO THAT

SATB

Based on a text of
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr

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Choral arrangement by
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Moderato ♩ = 71

Piano introduction in E major, 4/4 time. The music features a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. Chords are indicated above the staff: E, A, A6, E/B, F#m7/B, E, A/B.

Vocal and piano accompaniment for the first line of lyrics. The vocal line starts at measure 5 with a triplet of eighth notes. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support. Lyrics: *mp* on - ly light ___ can do

Vocal and piano accompaniment for the second line of lyrics. The vocal line starts at measure 8. The piano accompaniment continues with chords E, A, and E. Lyrics: *mp* Dark - ness can-not drive ___ a-way dark - ness,

34

ha - tred, — on - ly — love — can do — that.

on - ly love

on - ly love

34 A A/B A B7sus4 B7 E A/E E

Play

37 *Solo--Any voice*

mp We all — must try to be

37 A E

mp

39

an in - stru - ment of peace.

39 A E

41

Re - mem - ber an eye — for — an eye — leaves ev' - ry - one

A G#min

43

blind — and our chil - dren ne - ver see.

F#min G#m A A/B B

45

mf Dark - ness can - not drive — a - way dark - ness, —

8 *mf* Dark - ness can - not drive — a - way dark - ness,

45 E A

mf

61

mp-f Dark - ness can - not drive ___ a-way dark - ness, on - ly light ___ can do

mp-f Dark - ness can - not drive out dark - ness, Oh ___ yes! ___ on - ly light ___

8 *mp-f* Dark - ness can - not drive out dark - ness, Oh ___ yes! ___ on - ly light ___

E A E

mp-f

64

that. ___ Ha - tred can - not drive ___ a-way ha - tred, ___ on - ly

___ can do that. ___ And ha - tred can - not drive out ha - tred, ___

___ can do that. And ha - tred can - not drive out ha - tred, ___

A E B/D# C#m A/B B7

45

mf Dark - ness can - not drive ___ a - way dark - ness, ___

Dark - ness can - not drive ___ a - way dark - ness,

E A

mf

47

on - ly light ___ can do that. ___ Ha - tred can - not drive ___ a - way

on - ly light ___ can do that. Yes, Ha - tred can - not drive ___ a - way

E A E B/D#

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Chorus

Darkness cannot drive away darkness, only light can do that.
Hatred cannot drive away hatred, only love can do that.

Verse 1

All you soldiers of peace, hatred has an enemy.
If you want the fighting to cease remember these words from the fallen
King:

Chorus

Verse 2

We all must try to be an instrument of peace.
Remember an eye for an eye leaves ev'ryone blind and our children never
see.

Chorus

Bridge

Only love can heal, only love can take the fear away.
Only love is real, only love will come to save the day.

Chorus