I’d Like To Teach The World To Sing (BACK-UP VOCALS)
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(as recorded by Ray Conniff Singers)

A CAPPELLA INTRO – LEADER 1 ONLY - Singing note: A: / 1 2 3 4

I’d like to build the world a home
And furnish it with love

<LEADER 2 JOINS IN>
Grow [G] apple trees and honey bees
And [F] snow-white turtle [C] doves

<GROUP JOINS IN>
I’d [C] like to teach the world to sing
In [D7] perfect harmony
I’d [G7] like to hold it in my arms
And [F] keep it compan-[C]y

It’s the real [C] thing
[C] What the world wants to-[D7]day
[D7] That’s the way it will [G7] stay

It’s the real [C] thing
[C] Won’t you hear what I [D7] say?
[D7] What the world needs to-[G7]day
[G7] Is the real [C] thing <KEY CHANGE>

/ [C][A7] /

I’d like to see the [D] world for once
And hear them echo [A7] through the hills
For [G] peace throughout the [D] land (it’s the real [D] thing)

I’d like to teach the [D] world to sing
A song of peace that [A7] echoes on
And [G] never goes a-[D]way (it’s the real [D] thing)

I’d like to build the [D] (what the world wants to-[E7]day)
And furnish it with [E7] (that’s the way it will [A7] stay)
Grow apple trees and [A7] (with the real [G] thing)
And snow-white turtle [D] doves (it’s the real [D] thing)
I'd like to teach the [D] *(won’t you hear what I [E7] say)*
In perfect harmo-[E7] *(what the world needs to-[A7]day)*
I’d like to hold it [A7] in *(it’s the real [G] thing)*
And keep it compa-[D]ny *(it’s the real [D] thing)*

I’d like to teach the [D] world *(what the world wants to-[E7]day)*
In perfect harmo-[E7]ny *(that’s the way it will [A7] stay)*
A song of peace that [A7] *(it’s the real [G] thing)*
And never goes a-[D]way *(it’s the real [D] thing)*

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