

# If My Complaints

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Cantus  
If my com - plaints could pas - sions  
Can Love be rich and yet I

Altus  
If my com - plaints could pas - sions  
Can Love be rich and yet I

Tenor  
If my com - plaints could pas - sions move, could pas - sions  
Can Love be rich and yet I want, and yet I

Bassus  
If my com - plaints could pas - sions  
Can Love be rich and yet I

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move, or make love see where - in I suf - fer  
want? Is Love my judge and yet am I con -

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want? Is Love my judge, and yet I am con -

move, or make love see where - in I suf - fer  
want? Is Love my judge and am I yet con -

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wrong, my pas - sions were e - nough to  
- demn'd? Thou plen - ty hast, yet me dost

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- demn'd? Thou plen - ty hast, yet me dost

wrong, my pas - sions were e - nough to prove, e - nough to  
- demn'd? Thou plen - ty hast, thou plen - ty hast, yet me dost

wrong, my pas - sions were e - nough to  
- demn'd? Thou plen - ty hast, yet me dost

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prove, that my des - pairs had go - vern'd me too  
scant, Thou made a god, and yet thy pow'r con -

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long: O, Love, I live and die in  
- temn'd! That I do live, it is thy

long. O, Love, I live, I live and die in  
- temn'd! That I do live, do live, it is thy

long. O, Love, I live and die, I live and die in  
- temn'd! That I do live, do live it is, it is thy

long. O, Love, I live and  
- temn'd! That I do live it is thy

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thee, thy grief in my deep sighs still  
pow'r; that I de - sire it is thy

thee, thy grief in my deep sighs, deep sighs, deep sighs still  
pow'r, that I de - sire, de - sire, it is thy

thee, thy grief in my deep sighs, deep sighs still  
pow'r, That I de - sire, de - sire it is thy

thee, thy grief, thy grief in my deep sighs still  
pow'r, that I de - sire, de - sire it is thy

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speaks, thy wounds do fresh - ly bleed in  
worth. If love doth make men's lives too

speaks, thy wounds do fresh - ly, fresh - ly bleed in  
worth. If Love doth make, doth make mens lives too

speaks, thy wounds do fresh - ly bleed, do fresh - ly bleed in  
worth, If Love doth make men's lives, doth make men's lives too

speaks, thy wounds do fresh - ly bled, do fresh - ly bleed in  
worth, If Love doth make men's lives, doth make men's lives too

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me, my heart for thy un - kind - ness  
sour, let me not love, nor live, hence-

me, my heart for thy un - kind, un - kind - ness  
sour, Let me not love, not love, nor live hence-

me, my heart for thy un - kind, un - kind - ness  
sour, Let me not love, not love, nor live hence-

me, my heart, my not heart for thy un - kind - ness  
sour, Let me not love, not love, nor live hence-

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breaks, yet thou dost hope when I des - pair,  
- forth! Die shall my hopes, but not my faith,

breaks: Yet thou dost hope, dost hope when I des - pair,  
- forth. Die shall my hopes, my hopes, but not my faith,

breaks, yet thou dost hope, when I des - pair,  
- forth. Die shall my hopes, but not my faith,

breaks.  
- forth.

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and when I hope thou mak'st me hope in  
that you that of my fall may hear - ers

and when I hope, thou mak'st, thou mak'st me hope in  
That you that of my fall, my fall may hear - ers

and when I hope thou mak'st me hope in  
That you that of my fall my hear - ers

and when I hope thou mak'st, thou mak'st me hope in  
That you that of my fall, my fall may hear - ers

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vain, thou say'st thou can't my harms re-  
be, may hear des - pair which tru - ly

vain, thou say'st thou can't, thou can't my harms re-  
be, may hear de - spair, de - spair which tru - ly

vain, thou say'st thou can't my harms re-  
be, may hear des - pair which tru - ly

vain,  
be,

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1.

- pair, saith, yet for re - dress, thou let'st me still com-

1.

- pair, saith yet for re - dress thou let'st, thou let'st me still com-

1.

- pair, saith, yet for re - dress thou let'st me still com-

1.

yet for re - dress thou let'st, thou let'st me still com-

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2.

- plain. I was more true to Love, than Love to

2.

- plain. I was more true to Love, to Love, than Love to

2.

- plain. I was more true to Love than Love to

2.

- plain. I was more true, more true to Love, than Love to

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me.

me.

me.

me.

me.