From Cathedral Music, Vol. 2
Psalm 39:5-8,12-15

Lord, let me know mine end

Matthew Locke
(1621-1677)

Verse

Tenor: Lord, let me know mine end, and the num-ber of my days: that I

Continuo

T: may be cer - ti - fied how long I have to live, how long I have to

S: Be-hold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long, as it were a

T: live.

B: Be - hold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long, as it

S: span long: and mine age is ev'n as no-thing in re -

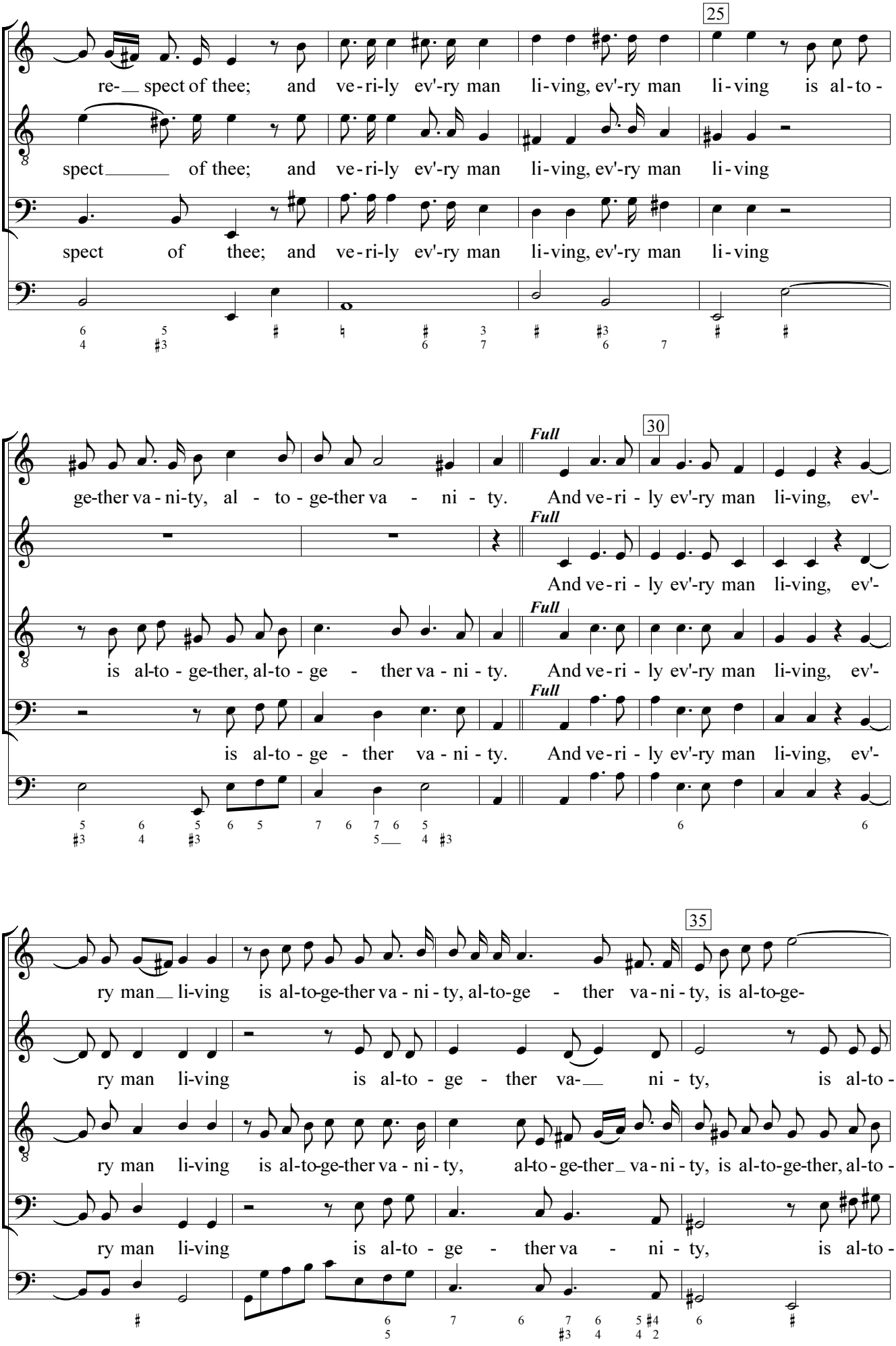
T: and mine age is ev'n as no-thing in re-

B: were a span long: and mine age is ev'n as no-thing in re -

S: spect of thee, and mine age is ev'n as no - thing in

T: spect of thee, and mine age is ev'n as no - thing, as no - thing in re -

B: spect of thee, and mine age is ev'n as no - thing, as no - thing in re -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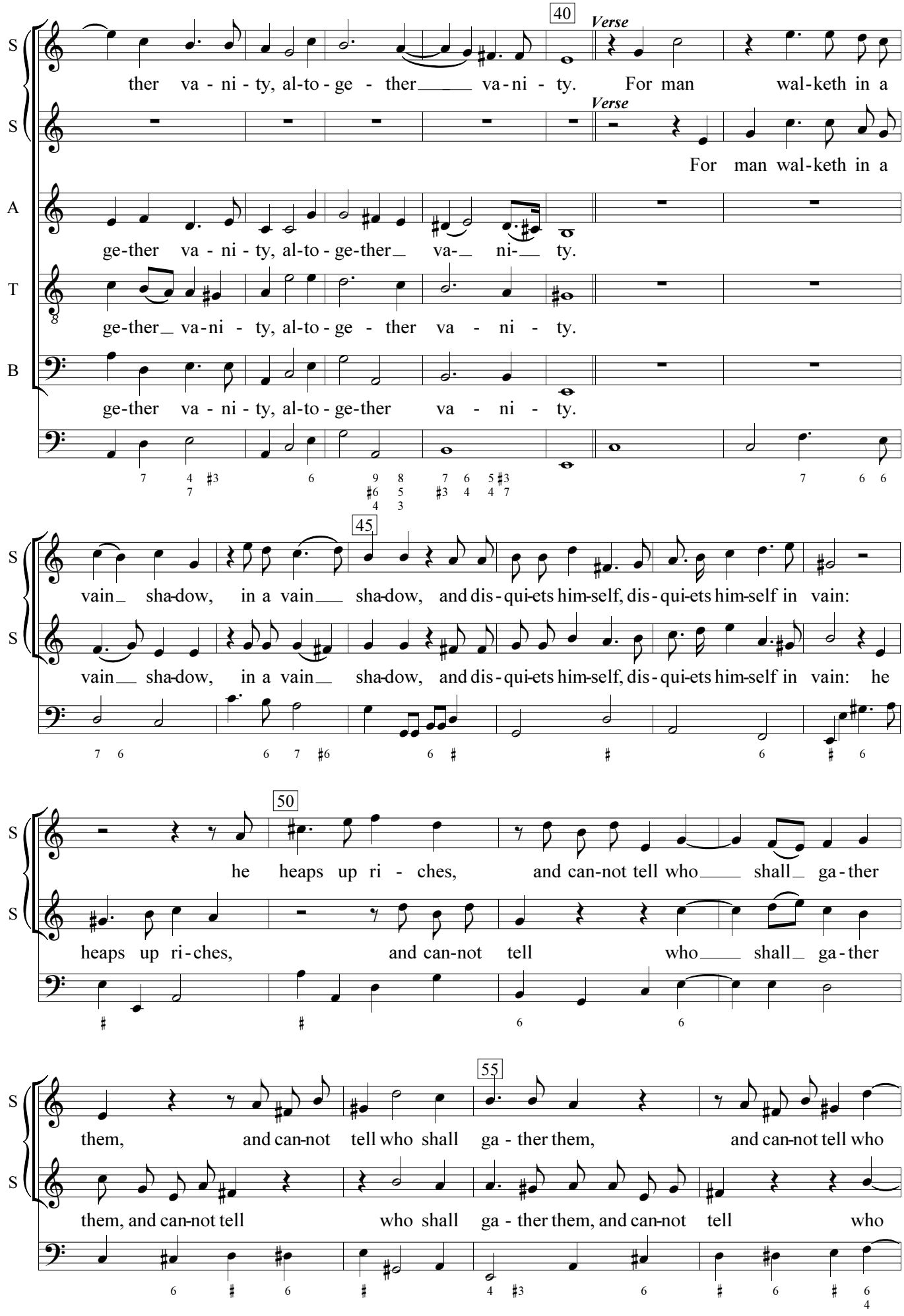
S
re- spect of thee; and ve-ri-ly ev'-ry man li-ving, ev'-ry man li-ving is al-to-
T
spect of thee; and ve-ri-ly ev'-ry man li-ving, ev'-ry man li-ving
B
spect of thee; and ve-ri-ly ev'-ry man li-ving, ev'-ry man li-ving
30
Full
S
ge-ther va-ni-ty, al - to-ge-ther va - ni - ty. And ve-ri - ly ev'-ry man li-ving, ev'-
A
And ve-ri - ly ev'-ry man li-ving, ev'-
T
is al-to - ge-ther, al-to-ge - ther va - ni - ty. And ve-ri - ly ev'-ry man li-ving, ev'-
B
is al-to - ge - ther va - ni - ty. And ve-ri - ly ev'-ry man li-ving, ev'-
35
S
ry man li-ving is al-to-ge-ther va - ni - ty, al-to-ge - ther va-ni - ty, is al-to-ge-
A
ry man li-ving is al-to - ge - ther va- ni - ty, is al-to-
T
ry man li-ving is al-to-ge-ther va - ni - ty, al-to-ge-ther va-ni - ty, is al-to-ge-ther, al-to-
B
ry man li-ving is al-to - ge - ther va - ni - ty, is al-to-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Verse
S ther va - ni - ty, al-to - ge - ther va - ni - ty. For man wal-keth in a
S Verse For man wal-keth in a
A ge-ther va - ni - ty, al-to - ge-ther va- ni- ty.
T ge-ther va-ni - ty, al-to - ge - ther va - ni - ty.
B ge-ther va - ni - ty, al-to - ge-ther va - ni - ty.
45
S vain sha-dow, in a vain sha-dow, and dis - qui-ets him-self, dis - qui-ets him-self in vain:
S vain sha-dow, in a vain sha-dow, and dis - qui-ets him-self, dis - qui-ets him-self in vain: he
50
S he heaps up ri - ches, and can-not tell who shall ga - ther
S heaps up ri - ches, and can-not tell who shall ga - ther
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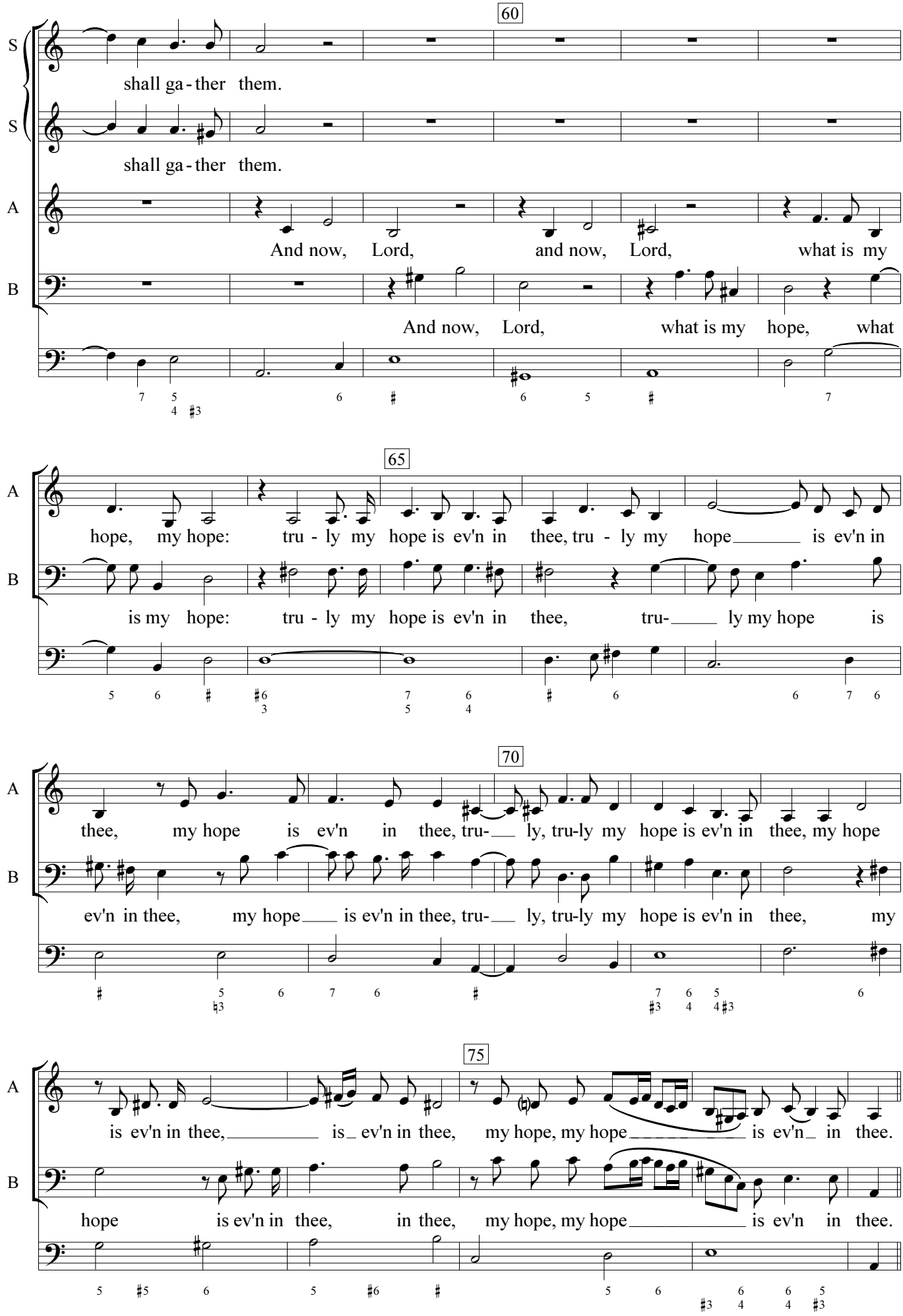
S them, and can-not tell who shall ga - ther them, and can-not tell who
S them, and can-not tell who shall ga - ther them, and can-not tell who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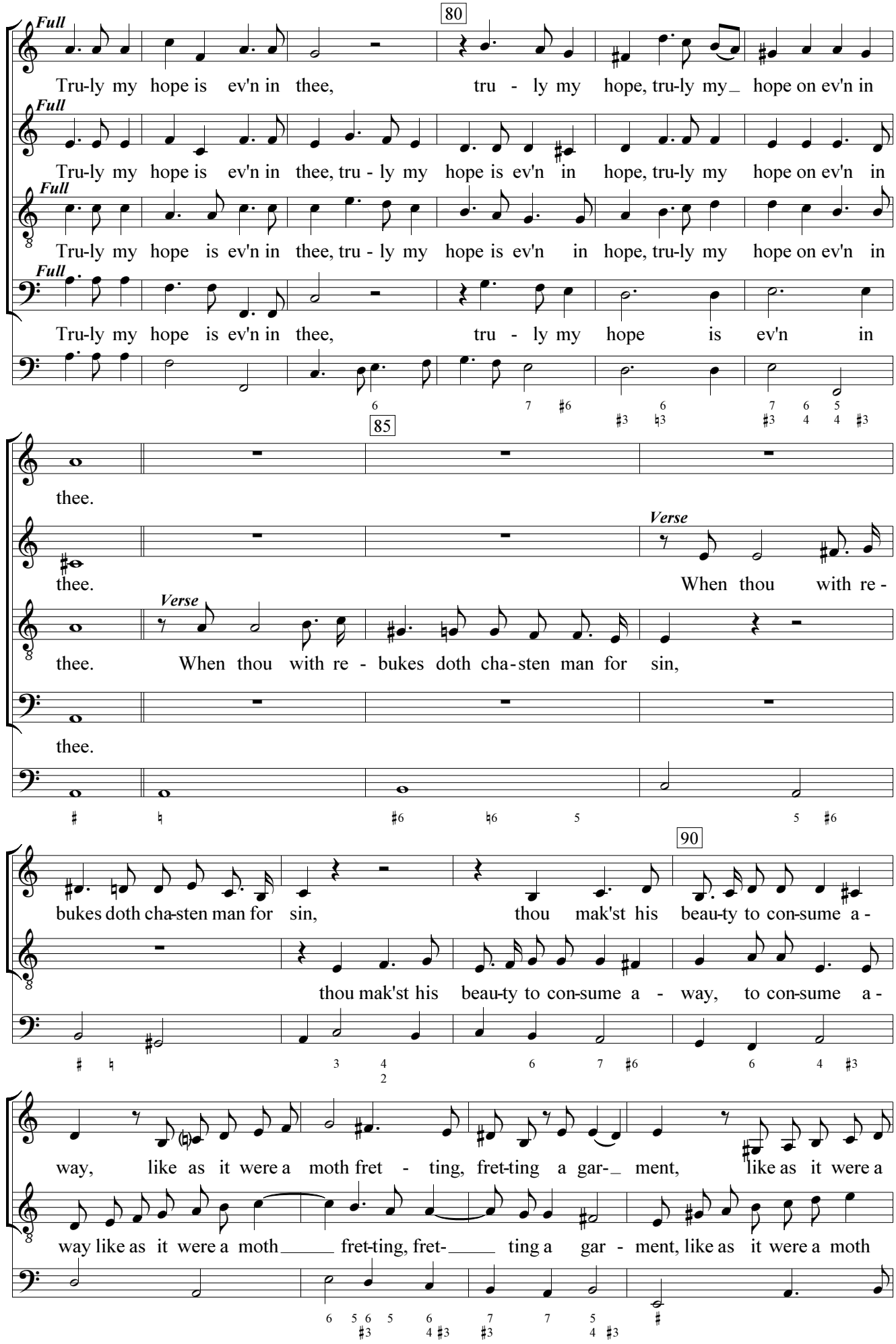
S
shall ga - ther them.
S
shall ga - ther them.
A
And now, Lord, and now, Lord, what is my
B
And now, Lord, what is my hope, what
65
A
hope, my hope: tru - ly my hope is ev'n in thee, tru - ly my hope is ev'n in
B
is my hope: tru - ly my hope is ev'n in thee, tru- ly my hope is
70
A
thee, my hope is ev'n in thee, tru- ly, tru-ly my hope is ev'n in thee, my hope
B
ev'n in thee, my hope is ev'n in thee, tru- ly, tru-ly my hope is ev'n in thee, my
75
A
is ev'n in thee, is ev'n in thee, my hope, my hope is ev'n in thee.
B
hope is ev'n in thee, in thee, my hope, my hope is ev'n in thee.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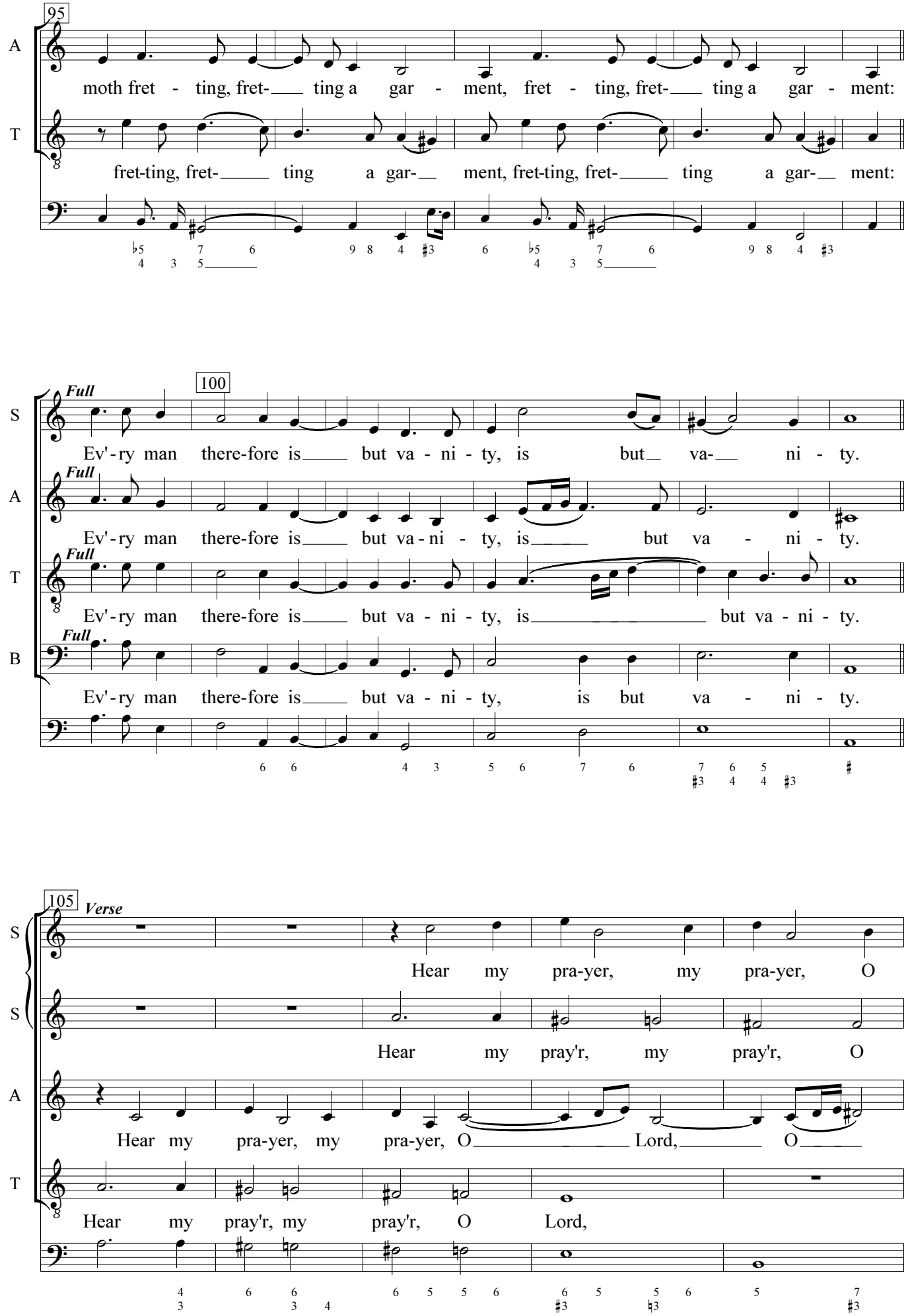
Full
S
Tru-ly my hope is ev'n in thee,
tru - ly my hope, tru-ly my hope on ev'n in
A
Tru-ly my hope is ev'n in thee, tru - ly my hope is ev'n in hope, tru-ly my hope on ev'n in
T
Tru-ly my hope is ev'n in thee, tru - ly my hope is ev'n in hope, tru-ly my hope on ev'n in
B
Tru-ly my hope is ev'n in thee,
tru - ly my hope is ev'n in
85
thee.
Verse
When thou with re -
bukes doth cha-sten man for sin,
90
thou mak'st his beau-ty to con-sume a -
way, to con-sume a -
way, like as it were a moth fret - ting, fret-ting a gar- ment, like as it were a
way like as it were a moth fret-ting, fret- ting a gar - ment, like as it were a moth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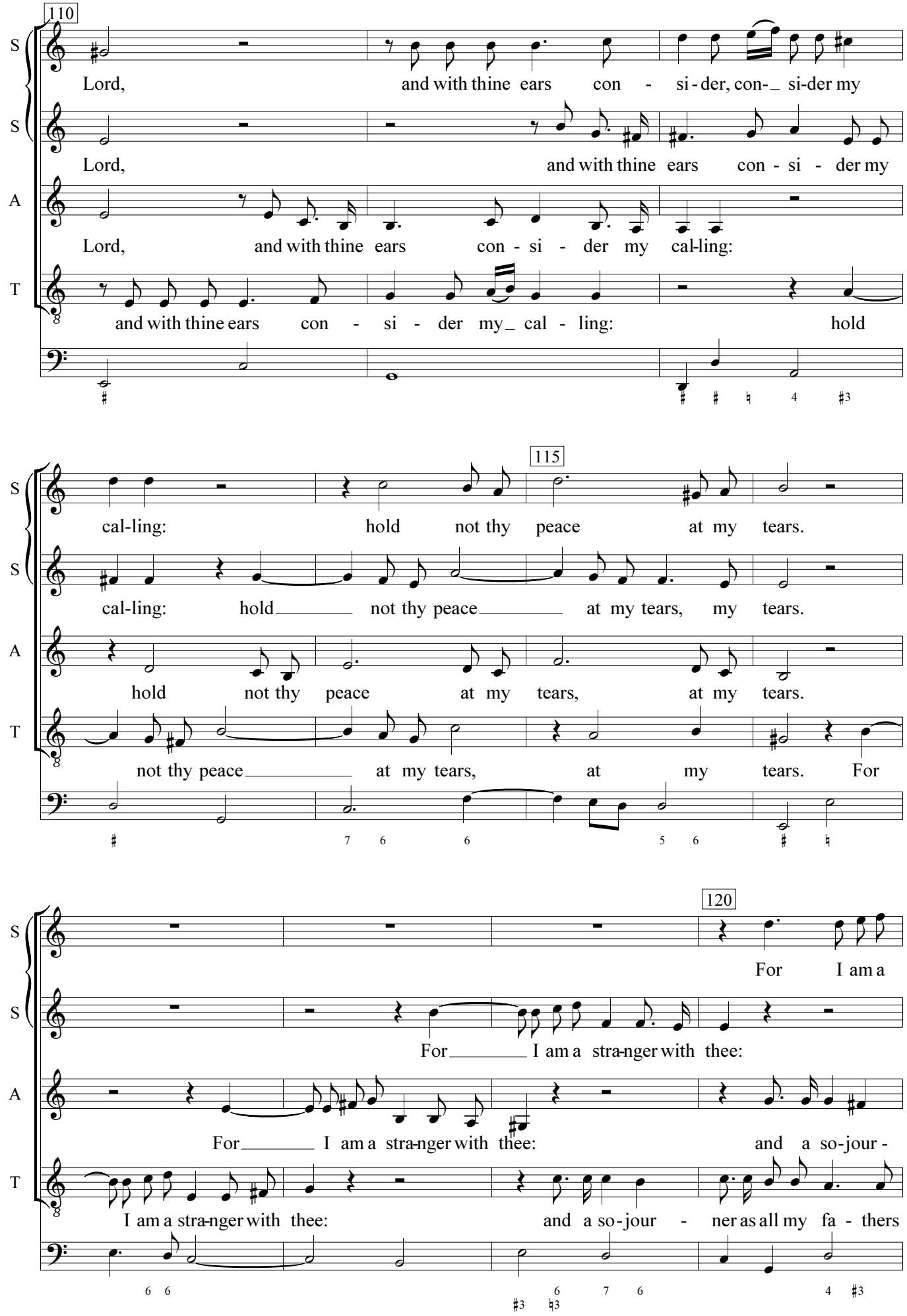
A
moth fret - ting, fret- ting a gar - ment, fret - ting, fret- ting a gar - ment:
T
fret-ting, fret- ting a gar- ment, fret-ting, fret- ting a gar- ment:
100
Full
S
Ev'-ry man there-fore is but va - ni - ty, is but va- ni - ty.
A
Ev'-ry man there-fore is but va-ni - ty, is but va - ni - ty.
T
Ev'-ry man there-fore is but va - ni - ty, is but va - ni - ty.
B
Ev'-ry man there-fore is but va - ni - ty, is but va - ni - ty.
105
Verse
S
Hear my pra-yer, my pra-yer, O
S
Hear my pray'r, my pray'r, O
A
Hear my pra-yer, my pra-yer, O Lord, O
T
Hear my pray'r, my pray'r, O Lord,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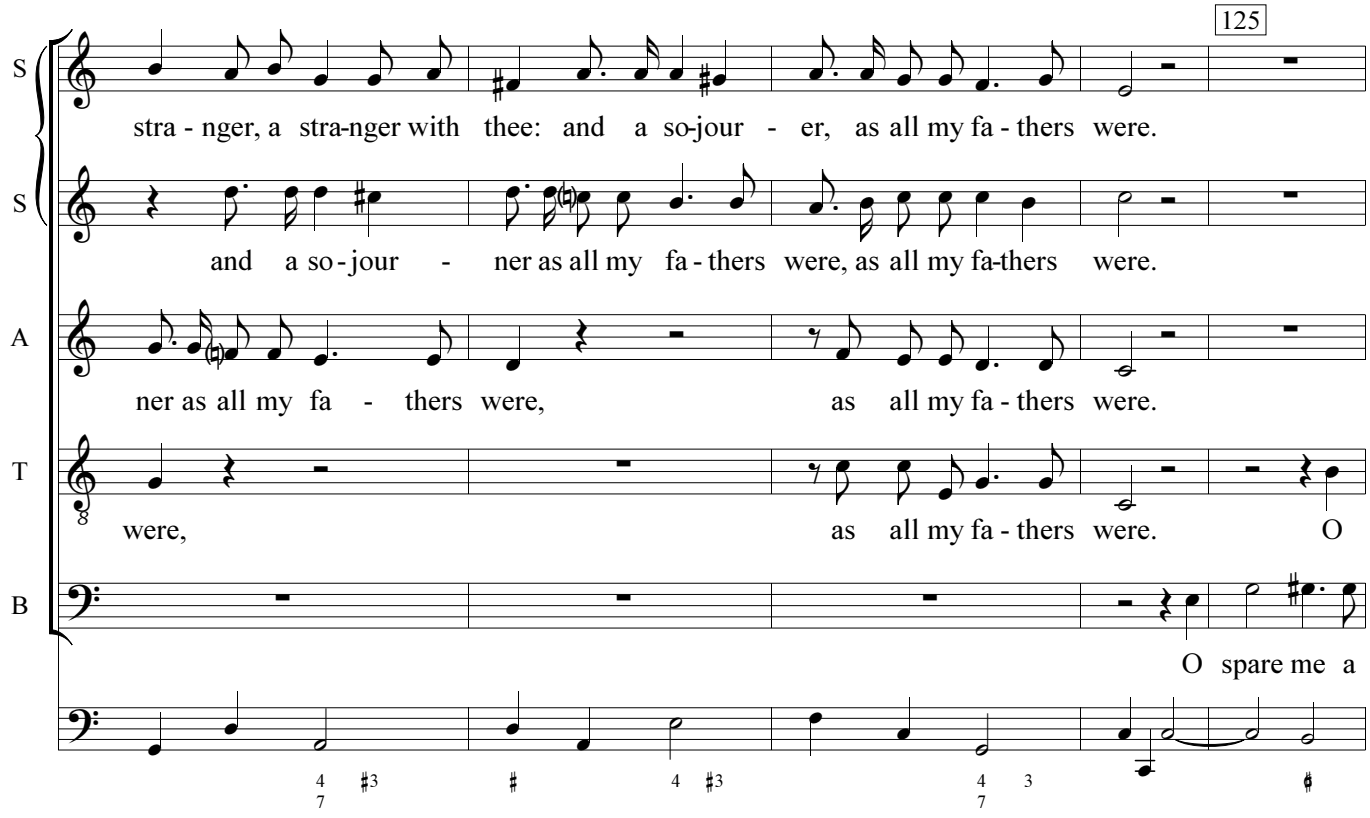
S
S
A
T
Lord, and with thine ears con - si - der, con- si-der my
Lord, and with thine ears con - si - der my
Lord, and with thine ears con - si - der my cal-ling:
and with thine ears con - si - der my cal - ling: hold
115
cal-ling: hold not thy peace at my tears.
cal-ling: hold not thy peace at my tears, my tears.
hold not thy peace at my tears, at my tears.
not thy peace at my tears, at my tears. For
120
For I am a
For I am a stra-nger with thee:
For I am a stra-nger with thee: and a so-jour -
I am a stra-nger with thee: and a so-jour - ner as all my fa - thers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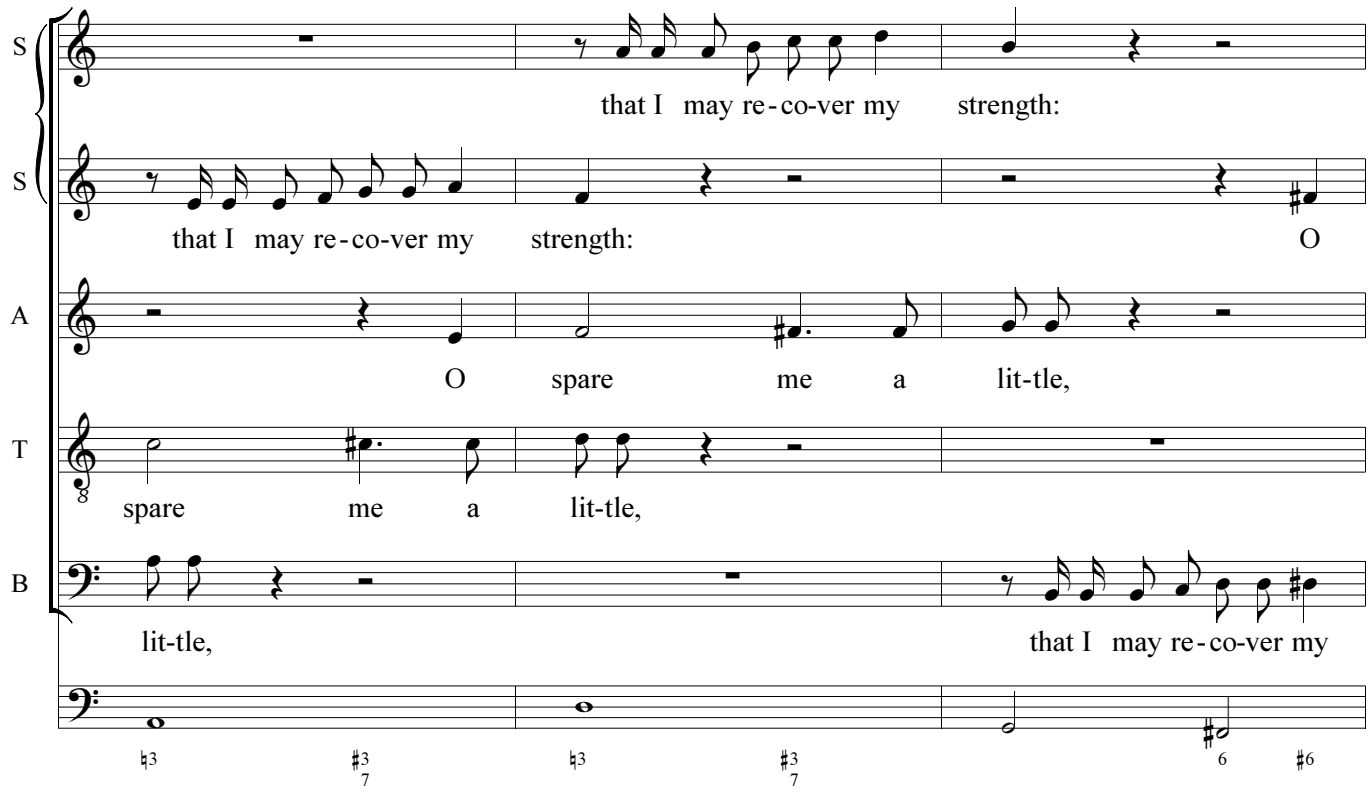
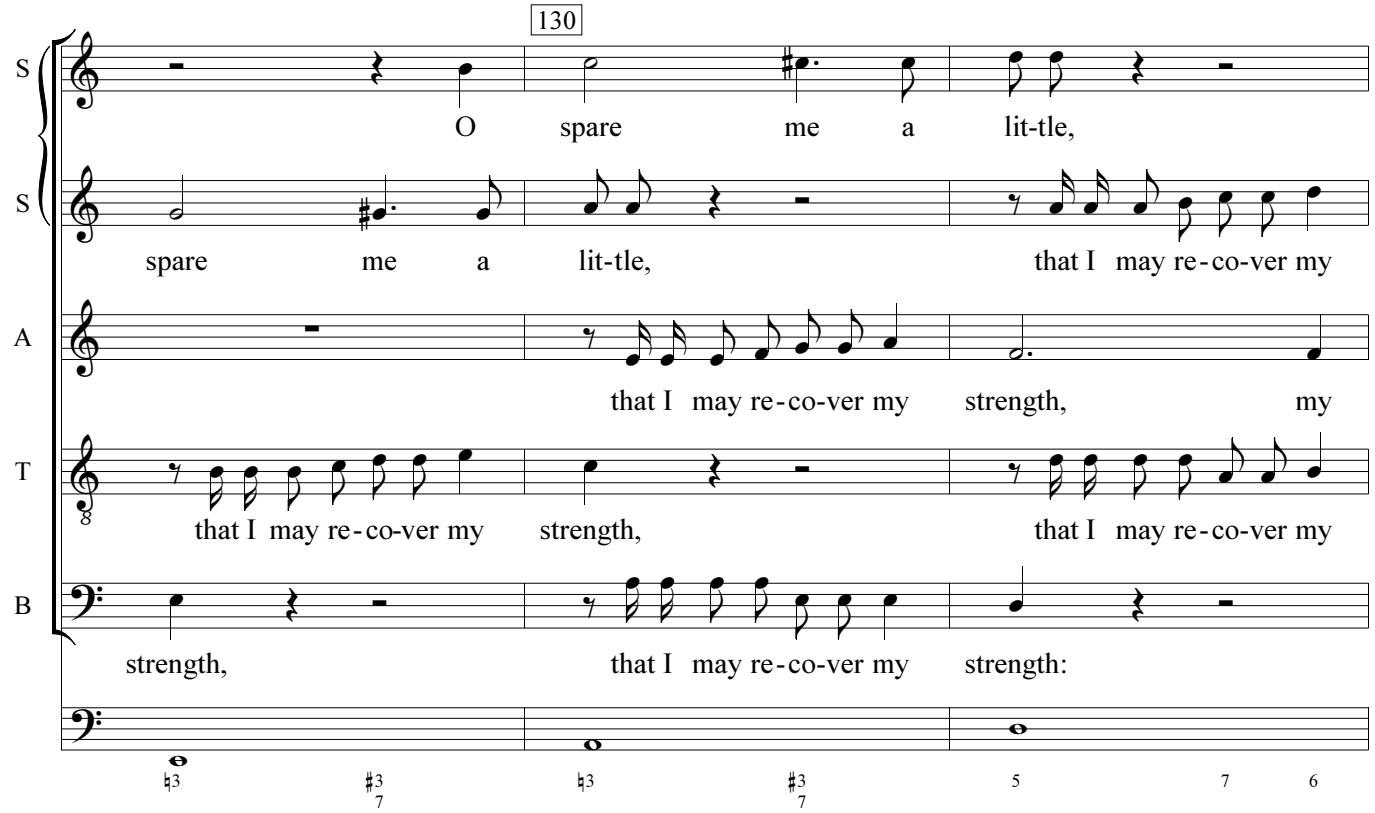
S
S
A
T
B
stra - nger, a stra-nger with thee: and a so-jour - er, as all my fa - thers were.
and a so - jour - ner as all my fa - thers were, as all my fa-thers were.
ner as all my fa - thers were, as all my fa - thers were.
were, as all my fa - thers were. O
O spare me a


S
S
A
T
B
that I may re - co-ver my strength:
that I may re - co-ver my strength: O
O spare me a lit-tle,
spare me a lit-tle,
lit-tle, that I may re - co-ver my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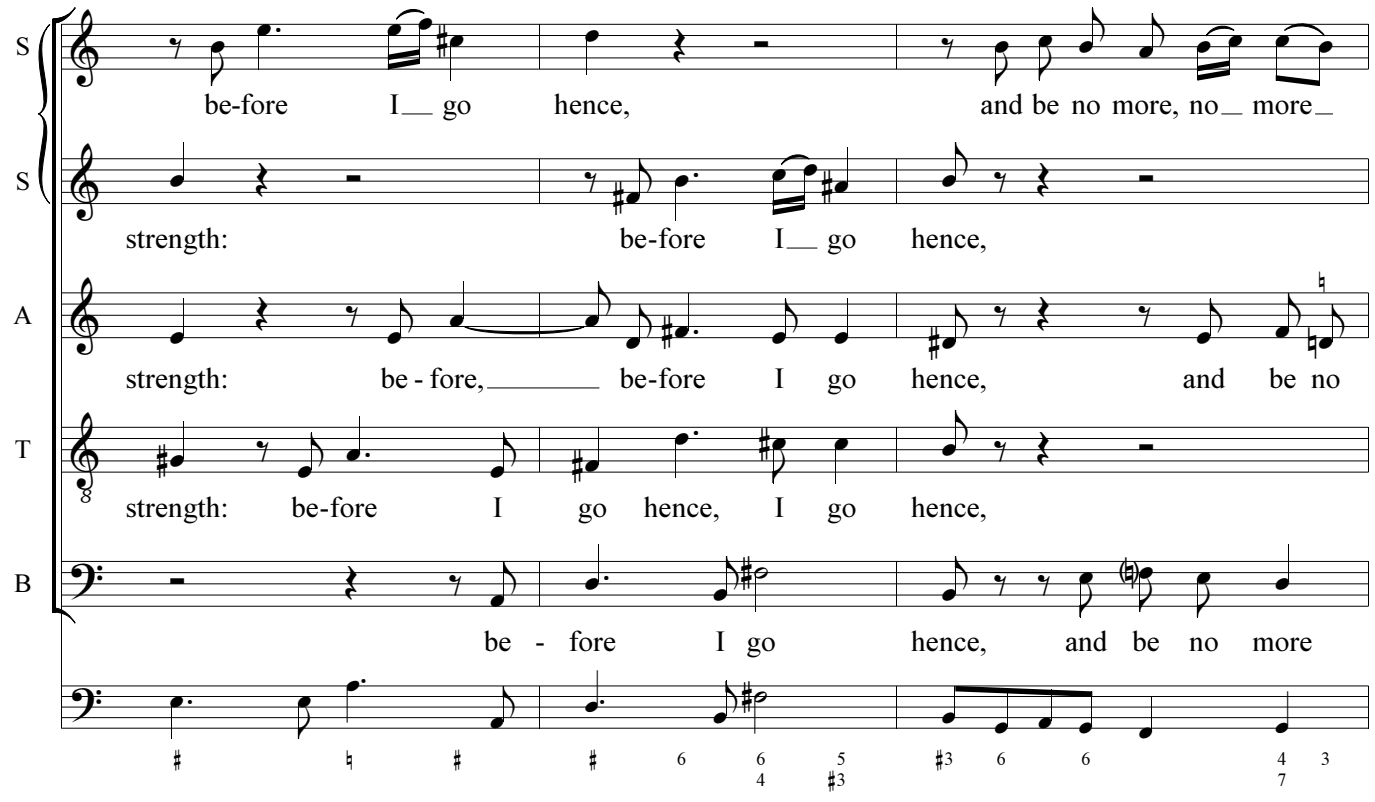
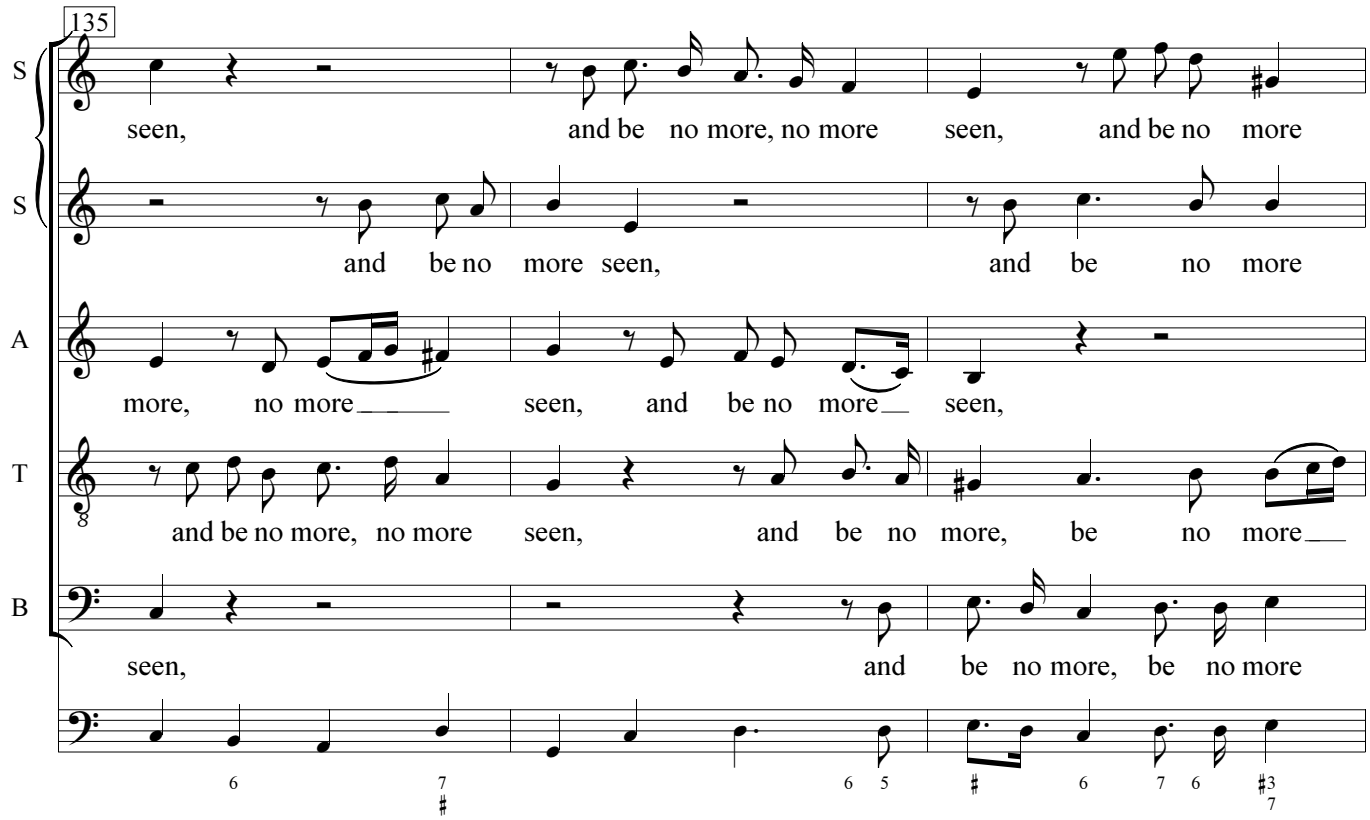
S
S
A
T
B
O spare me a lit-tle,
spare me a lit-tle, that I may re-co-ver my
that I may re-co-ver my strength, my
that I may re-co-ver my strength, that I may re-co-ver my
strength, that I may re-co-ver my strength:


S
S
A
T
B
be-fore I go hence, and be no more, no more
strength: be-fore I go hence,
strength: be-fore, be-fore I go hence, and be no
strength: be-fore I go hence, I go hence,
be-fore I go hence, and be no more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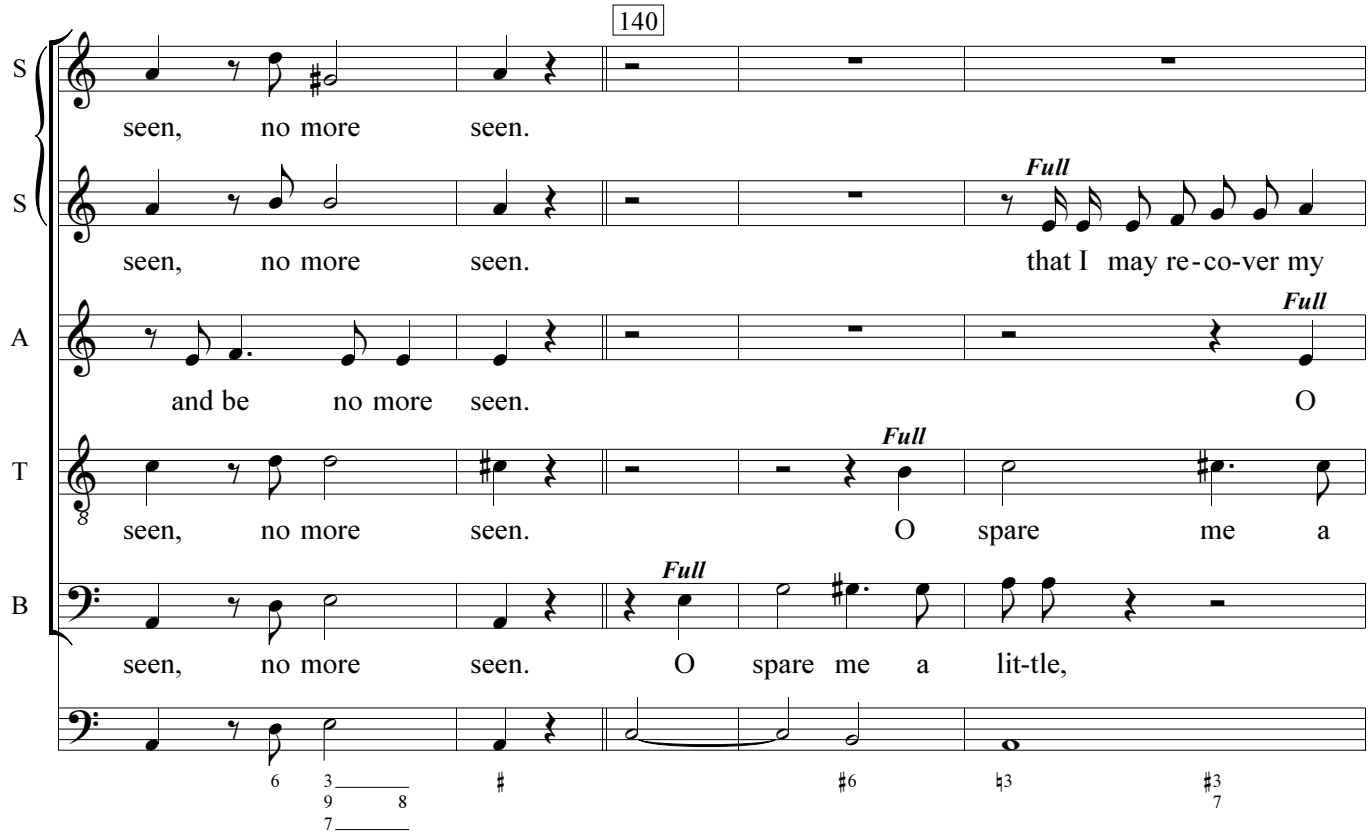
S
S
A
T
B
seen, and be no more, no more seen, and be no more
and be no more seen, and be no more
more, no more seen, and be no more seen,
and be no more, no more seen, and be no more, be no more
seen, and be no more, be no more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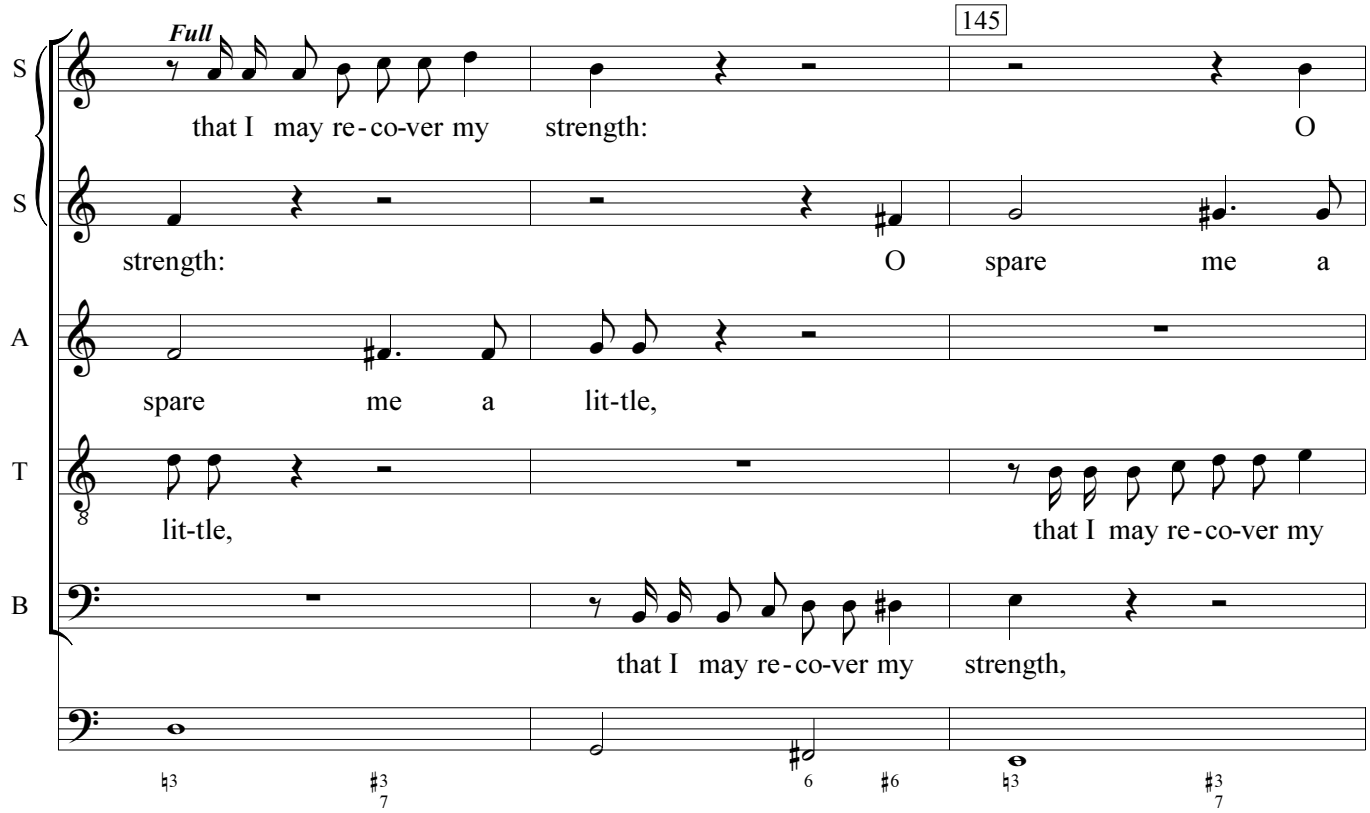
S
S
A
T
B
seen, no more seen.
seen, no more seen.
Full
that I may re-co-ver my
and be no more seen.
Full
O
seen, no more seen.
Full
O spare me a
seen, no more seen.
Full
O spare me a lit-tle,


Full
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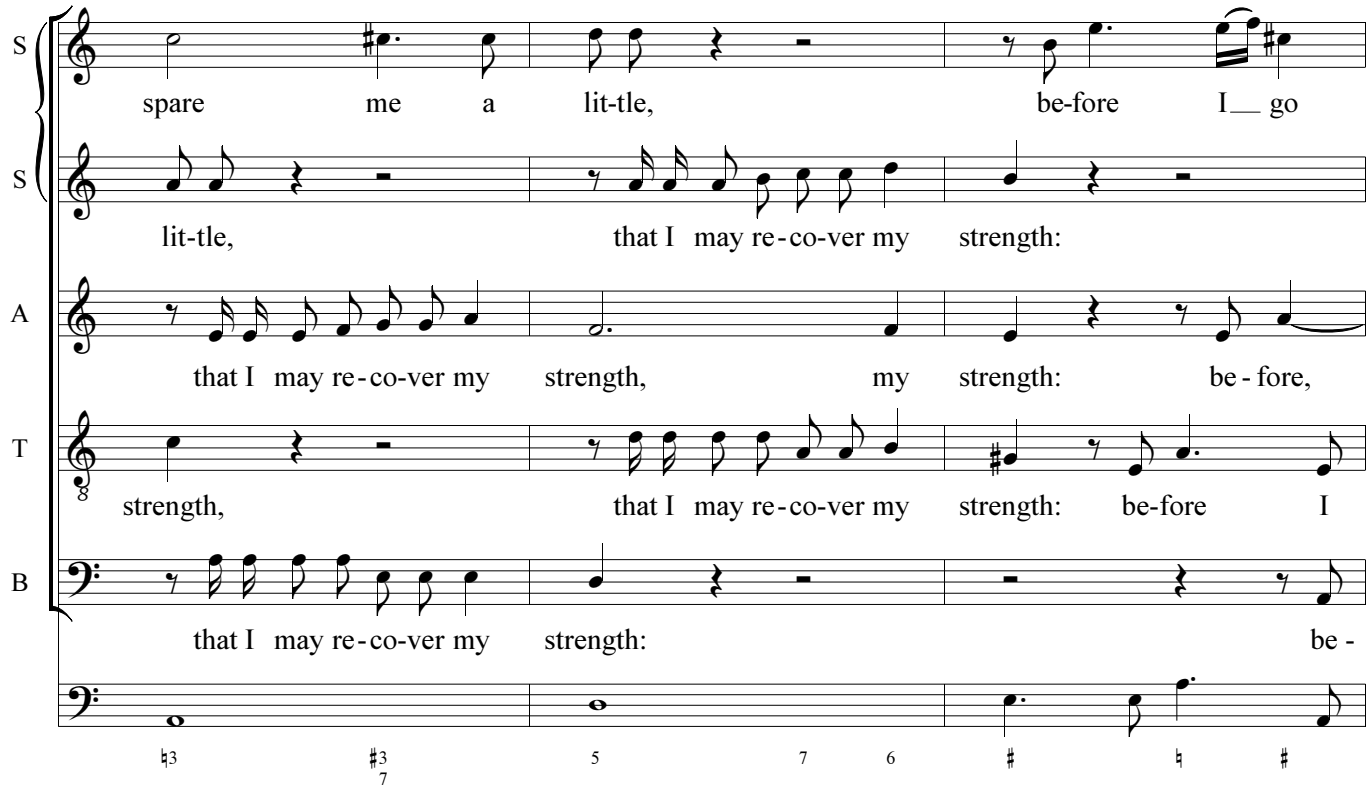
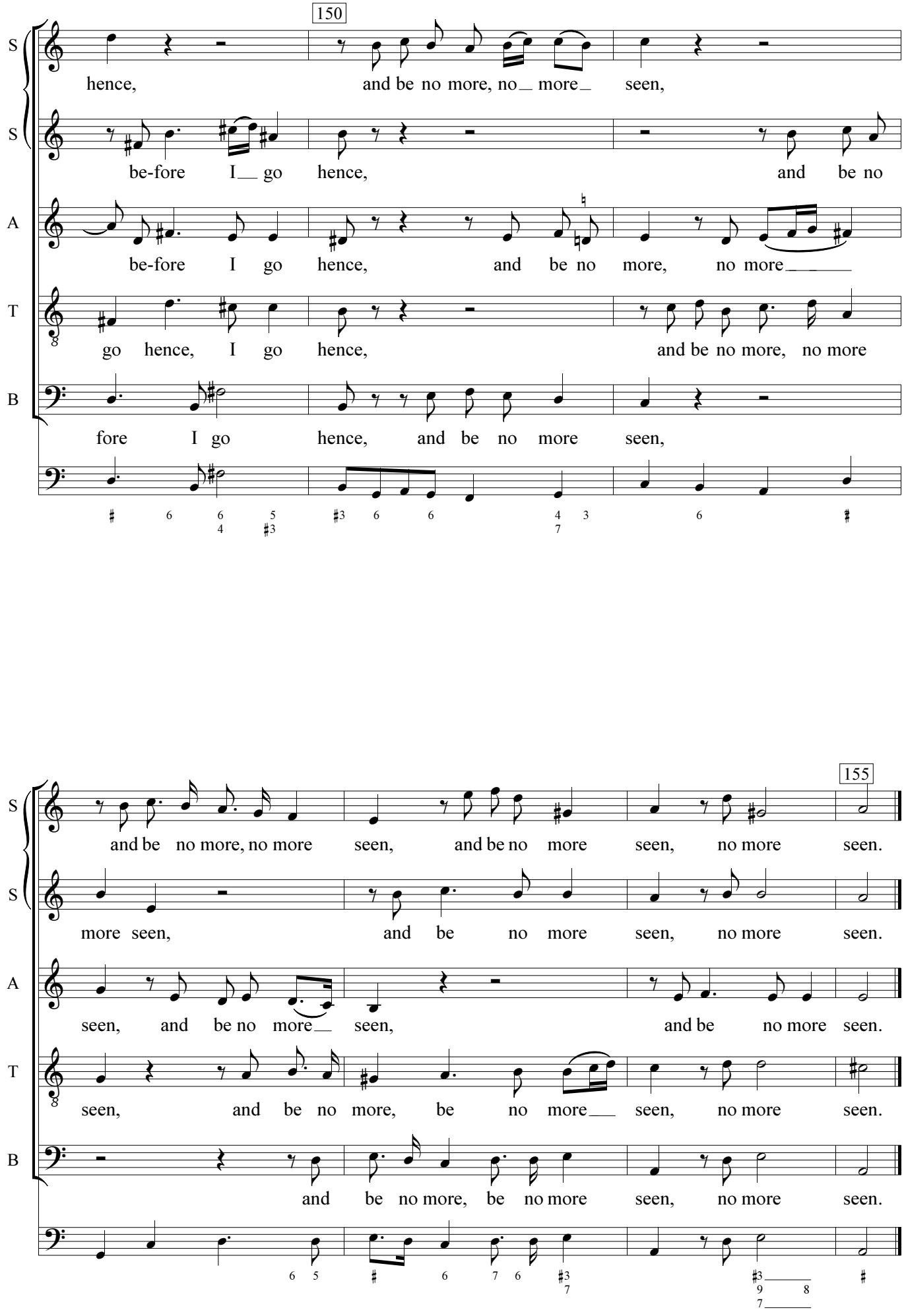
S
that I may re-co-ver my strength: O
S
strength: O spare me a
A
spare me a lit-tle,
T
lit-tle, that I may re-co-ver my
B
that I may re-co-ver my strength,


S
spare me a lit-tle, be-fore I go
S
lit-tle, that I may re-co-ver my strength:
A
that I may re-co-ver my strength, my strength: be-fore,
T
strength, that I may re-co-ver my strength: be-fore I
B
that I may re-co-ver my strength: be-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S
hence, and be no more, no more seen,
S
be-fore I go hence, and be no
A
be-fore I go hence, and be no more, no more
T
go hence, I go hence, and be no more, no more
B
fore I go hence, and be no more seen,
155
S
and be no more, no more seen, and be no more seen, no more seen.
S
more seen, and be no more seen, no more seen.
A
seen, and be no more seen, and be no more seen.
T
seen, and be no more, be no more seen, no more seen.
B
and be no more, be no more seen, no more seen.