

# The complaint of a sinner

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Editorial accidentals above the staff

Note values have been halved

A musical score for 'The complaint of a sinner' featuring eight staves of music. The voices are arranged as follows: Soprano (top), Tenor 1, Tenor 2, Bass (bottom), Soprano (S), Tenor 1 (T 1), Tenor 2 (T 2), and Bass (B). The music is in common time, with a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below each staff. The score consists of two systems of music, separated by a double bar line with repeat dots.

**Soprano:** Where right - eous - ness doth say, Lord, for my sin - ful part,

**Tenor 1:** Where right - eous - ness doth say, Lord, for my sin - ful part,

**Tenor 2:** Where right - eous - ness doth say, Lord, for my sin - ful part,

**Bass:** Where right - eous - ness doth say, Lord, for my sin - ful part,

**Soprano (S):** in wrath thou shoulds me pay, ven-geance for my de - sert, I can it

**Tenor 1 (T 1):** in wrath thou shoulds me pay, ven geance for my de - sert, I can it

**Tenor 2 (T 2):** in wrath thou shoulds me pay, ven-geance for my de - sert, I can it

**Bass (B):** in wrath thou shoulds me pay, ven-geance for my de - sert, I can it not

**Soprano (S):** not de - ny, but needs I must con-fess, how that con - tin - ual - ly,

**Tenor 1 (T 1):** not de - ny, but needs I must con - fess, how that con - ti - nual - ly,

**Tenor 2 (T 2):** not de - ny, but needs I must con - fess, how that con - ti - nual - ly,

**Bass (B):** de - ny, but needs I must \_\_\_\_ con - fess, how that con - ti - nual - ly,

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S      thy laws I do trans - gress,      thy laws I do trans - gress.

T 1     thy laws I do trans - gress,      thy laws I do trans - gress.

T 2     thy laws I do trans - gress,      thy laws I do trans - gress.

B      thy laws I do trans - gress,      thy laws I do trans - gress.

- 2) But if it bee thy will, with sinners to contend  
Then all thy flock shall spill, and bee lost without end.  
For who lineth beene so right, that rightly hee can say  
Hee finneth not in thy fight, full oft and every day.
  - 3) The Scripture plaine tell'th mee, the righteous man offendeth  
Seven times a daie to thee, whereon thy wrath dependeth:  
So that the righteous man, doth walke in no much path,  
Buth he fath now or than in danger of thy wrath.
  - 4) Then fith the case so stands, that even the man right wise:  
Falth oft in the sinfull bands, whereby thy wrath may rise.  
Lord, I that am unjust and right' usnesse none have,  
Whereto then shall I trust, my sinfull Sovlet save.
  - 5) But truely to that post, whereto I cleave and shall:  
Which is thy mercie most, Lord, let the mercie fall. (Bis)