

Lord in thy wrath reprove me not

The Whole Book of Psalmes (1621) - *Psalme 6*

George Kirbye (c. 1565 - 1634)

CANTVS
MEDIVS
TENOR
or *Playnsong*
BASSVS

Lord in thy wrath re - prove me not, though I de - served thine ire:
 Lord in thy wrath re - prove me not, though I de - served thine ire:
 Lord in thy wrath re - prove me not, though I de - serve thine ire:
 Lord in thy wrath re - prove me not, though I de - serve thine ire:

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C. Ne yet cor-rect me in thy rage, O Lord I thee de - sire. For I am weak, there - fore O Lord
 M. Ne yet cor-rect me in thy rage, O Lord I thee de - sire. For I am weak, there-fore O Lord,
 T. Ne yet cor-rect me in thy rage, O Lord I thee de - sire. For I am weak, there-fore O Lord
 B. Ne yet cor-rect me in thy rage, O Lord I thee de - sire. For I am weak, there - fore O Lord

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C. of mer - cy me for - bear: And heal me Lord, for why? thou knowest, my bones do quake for fear.
 M. of mer - cy me for - bear: And heal me Lord, for why? thou knowest, my bones do quake for fear.
 T. of mer - cy me for - bear: And heal me Lord, for why? thou knowest my bones do quake for fear.
 B. of mer - cy me for - bear: And heal me Lord, for why? thou knowest, my bones do quake for fear.

3. My soul is troubled very fore,
 and vexed vehemently:
 But Lord how long wilt thou delay
 to cure my misery?
 4. Lord turn thee to thy wonted grace,
 my silly soul up take:
 O save me not for my deserts,
 but for thy mercies sake.

5. For why? no man among the dead
 remembreth thee one whit:
 Or who shall worship thee o Lord
 in the infernal pit?
 6. So grievous is my plaint and moan,
 that I wax wondrous faint:
 All the night long I wash my bed
 with tears of my complaint.

7. My sight is dim and waxeth old
 with anguish of my heart:
 For fear of those that be my foes
 and would my soul subvert.
 8. But now away from me all ye
 that work iniquity:
 For why? the Lord hath heard the voice
 of my complaint and cry.

9. He heard not only the request,
 and prayer of my heart:
 But it received at my hands,
 and took it in good part.

10. And now my foes that vexed me,
 the Lord will soon defame:
 And suddenly confound them all
 to their rebuke and shame.

Critical notes:

Bassus bar 4/note 1 is *D* in the original (changed to *B flat* to avoid parallel 8th with Cantus);
 text somewhat modernised.