

V. Can she excuse my wrongs

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Cantus
 Altus
 Tenor
 Bassus

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if thou canst not or come her will, thy love will be thus fruit-less e - ver.

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Was I so base that I might not aspire
 Unto those high joys which she holds from me,
 As they are high so high is my desire,
 If she this denies what can granted be.

If she will yield to that which reason is,
 It is reasons will that love should be just,
 Dear make me happy still by granting this
 Or cut of delays if that die I must.

Better a thousand times to die
 Than for to live thus still tormented,
 Dear but remember it was I
 Who for thy fake did die contented.