

If Ye Love Me

Thomas Tallis
(1510-1585)

TTBB a cappella

Musical score for "If Ye Love Me" by Thomas Tallis, featuring four vocal parts: Countertenor I (Tenor I), Countertenor II (Tenor II), Tenor (Tenor), and Bassus (Bass). The score is in common time (C) and consists of three systems of music.

System 1 (Measures 1-4):

- Countertenor I (Tenor I): If ye love me, — keep my com - mand - ments,
- Countertenor II (Tenor II): If ye love me, — keep my com - mand - ments, —
- Tenor (Tenor): If ye love me, — keep my com - mand - ments, —
- Bassus (Bass): If ye love me, — keep my com - mand - ments, —

System 2 (Measures 5-8):

- Countertenor I (Tenor I): and I will pray the Fa - - - ther, and he shall
- Countertenor II (Tenor II): — and I will pray the Fa - - - ther, and
- Tenor (Tenor): — and I will pray the Fa - ther, — and
- Bassus (Bass): — and I will pray the Fa - ther,

System 3 (Measures 9-12):

- Countertenor I (Tenor I): give you — an - oth - er Com - fort - er,
- Countertenor II (Tenor II): he shall give you an - oth - er — Com - fort - er,
- Tenor (Tenor): he shall give you an - oth - - - er Com - fort - er, that
- Bassus (Bass): and he shall give you an - oth - er Com - fort - er,

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that he may bid with you for - ev - er, with you for - ev - er, that he may bid with you for - ev - er, that he may bid with you for - ev - er, may bid with you for - ev - er

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er, e'en the spirit of truth, -er, e'en the spirit of truth, e'en the spirit of truth, -er, e'en the spirit of truth, the spirit of truth, e'en the spirit of truth, the spirit of truth, the spirit of truth, e'en the spirit of truth

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e'en the spirit of truth, e'en the spirit of truth, truth. truth, e'en the spirit of truth, e'en the spirit of truth, truth. the spirit of truth, the spirit of truth, the spirit of truth, that truth. e'en the spirit of truth, the spirit of truth, truth.

SOURCES: Wanley manuscripts, MSS 420-22 Bodleian Lib., Oxford (CT I, CT II, Bass, no Tenor), old H.W. Gray edition (no date)

NOTES: "Spirit" should be pronounced as one syllable. m. 4 in upper parts, word appears as "com-mand-e-ments".