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(Campion, Vaughan Williams)

Tune thy music to thy heart;
Sing thy joy with thanks, and so thy sorrow.
Though devotion needs not art,
Sometime of the poor the rich may borrow.

Strive not yet for curious ways;
Concord pleaseth more the less 'tis strained.
Zeal affects not outward praise,
Only strives to show a love unfeigned.

Love can wondrous things effect,
Sweetest sacrifice all wrath appeasing.
Love the Highest doth respect,
Love alone to Him is ever pleasing.

Text by Thomas Campion (1567-1620)
Set by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958),
1954.

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