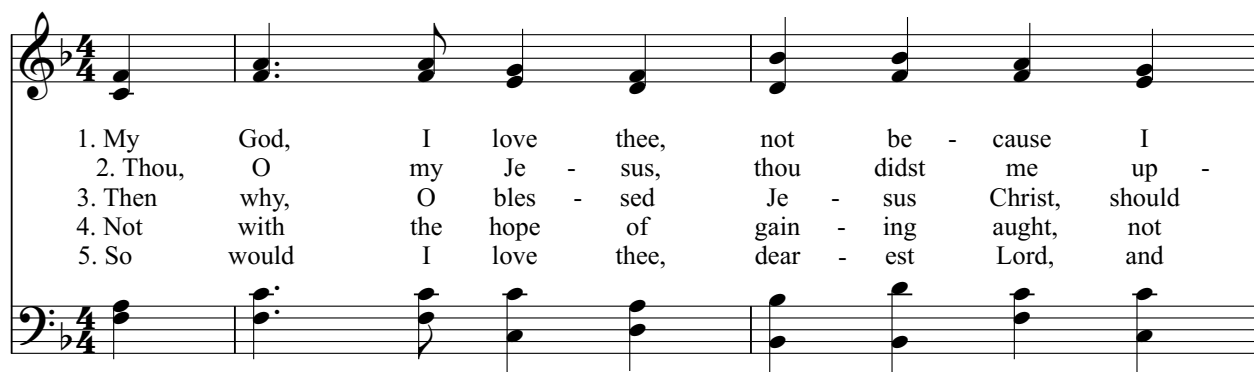
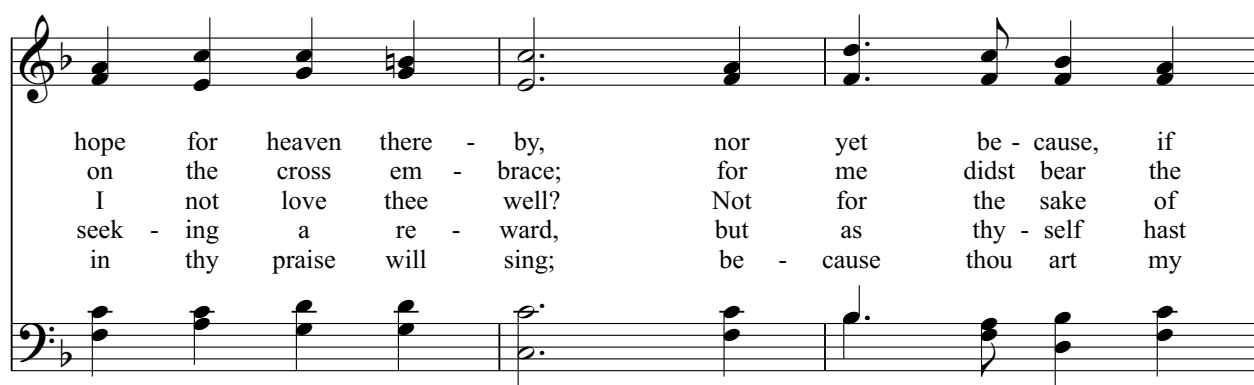


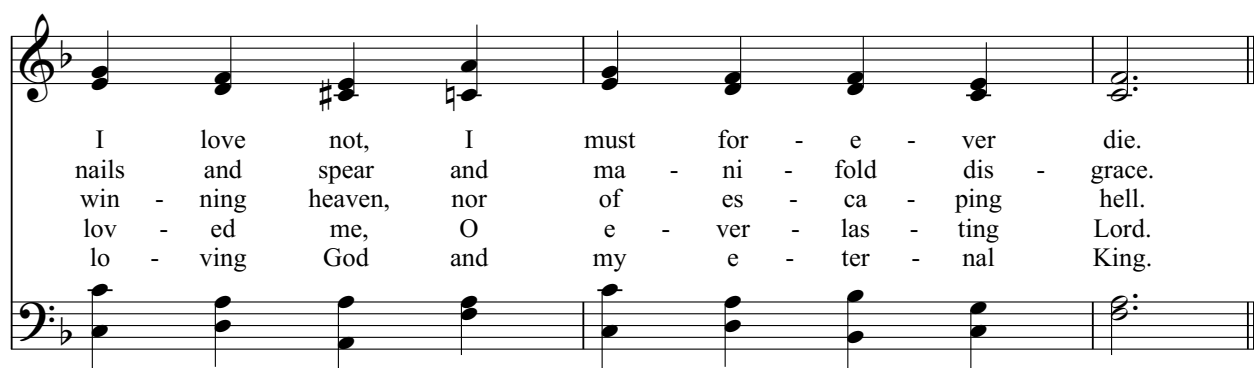
# My God, I Love Thee



1. My God, I love thee, not be - cause I  
 2. Thou, O my Je - sus, thou didst me up -  
 3. Then why, O bles - sed Je - sus Christ, should  
 4. Not with the hope of gain - ing aught, not  
 5. So would I love thee, dear - est Lord, and



hope for heaven there - by, nor yet be - cause, if  
 on the cross em - brace; for me didst bear the  
 I not love thee well? Not for the sake of  
 seek - ing a re - ward, but as thy - self hast  
 in thy praise will sing; be - cause thou art my



I love not, I must for - e - ver die.  
 nails and spear and ma - ni - fold dis - grace.  
 win - ning heaven, nor of es - ca - ping hell.  
 lov - ed me, O e - ver - las - ting Lord.  
 lo - ving God and my e - ter - nal King.

Text: Latin, 17th cent.;  
 trans. Edward Caswall, 1849  
 Tune: Est's *Whole Booke of Psalmes*, 1592;  
 harm. from *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861



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