

Tell me, true love

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Tell - - - me, true love, where shall I seek thy
 When - - - thoughts are still un- seen and words dis-
 Mount - - - then, my thoughts, here is for thee no
 O - - - fair- est mind, en- rich'd with Love's re-

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be- ing, In thoughts or words, in vows or pro-
 guis- ed, Vows are not sa- cred held, nor pro-
 dwell- ing, Since truth and false- hood live like twins
 sid- ing, Re- tain the best; in hearts let some

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- mise - - mak- ing, In - rea- - sons, looks,
 - mise - - debt; - By - pas- - sions Rea-
 - to- - ge- ther: Be- - lieve - not sense,
 - seed - - fall; - In- - stead - of weeds,

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or pas- - sions, or pas- - sions nev- er see- ing,
 son's glo- - ry is, glo- - ry is sur- pris- ed;
 be- lieve - not sense: eyes, - ears, touch, or smell- ing,
 love's fruits, - love's - fruits - may have a- bid- ing;

Figured bass notation: a, 1r, 3e, 1r, a, 3e, 2r, 1b, b, r, b, r, a

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In - men - on earth, or wo - men's minds par- tak- ing?
 In - nei- - ther sex is true - love firm- ly set. -
 Both - art - and Na- ture's forc'd: - put trust in nei- ther.
 At - har- - vest you shall reap - in- crease of all. -

Figured bass notation: a, 4d, 4b, 1b, 2r, a, 3d, 2r, 3e, 1r, a, a, a, e, a, a, r, a

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Thou - canst not die, and there- fore, liv- - ing,
 Thoughts - feign'd, words false, vows and - pro- - mise,
 One - on- ly she doth true love cap- - tive,
 O - hap- py saint, more hap - py man,

Figured bass notation: a, a, d, b, a, d, b, d, a, a, r, a, r, a, a, a, r, r

there-fore, liv - ing, tell - me: Where - is - thy seat,
 vows and pro - mise bro - ken Made - true - love fly,
 true love cap - tive, cap - tive bind In - fair - est breast,
 hap - py man - that finds thee, Most - hap - py saint,

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- is thy seat, - thy - seat; - why, why -
 - true love fly, - love - fly, - fly from -
 - fair-est breast, - fair-est breast, - but in,
 - hap-py saint, - hap-py saint, - that keeps,

doth this - - - age ex - pel - thee?
 earth, this - - - is the to - ken.
 but in - - - a fair - er mind.
 re - stores, - - - un - binds - thee.