

# Armato il cor

Claudio Monteverdi

The image displays a musical score for the madrigal "Armato il cor" by Claudio Monteverdi. The score is arranged in two systems, each containing a vocal line and a lute tablature line. The vocal line is written in a single staff with a treble clef and a common time signature (C). The lute tablature is written in a single staff with a bass clef and uses letters 'a' and 'b' to represent fret positions. The score is divided into measures, with measure numbers 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, and 35 indicated in boxes. The music features various rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. The lute tablature includes fingerings (1-4) and other performance instructions such as "rit." and "(John)". The piece concludes with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

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poco rit.

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Translation:

I arm my heart with adamantine faith;  
I enter the realm of love prepared to fight.  
I shall do battle with heaven and with fate;  
I shall fight with death,  
For, as an intrepid warrior,  
If I don't attain victory, I do not wish to live.