

# If I hope, I pine

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If I hope, I pine; if I fear, I faint and die;  
 Yet I speak and cry, but alas with words of woe;

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So between hope and fear I des-prate lie, Looking for  
 And joy con- ceives not them that mur- mur so, He that the

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joy to heav'n whence it should come; But hope is blind,  
 ears of joy will ev- er pierce. Must sing glad notes

joy or deaf, and I am pier dumb.  
 speak in hap- pier verse.