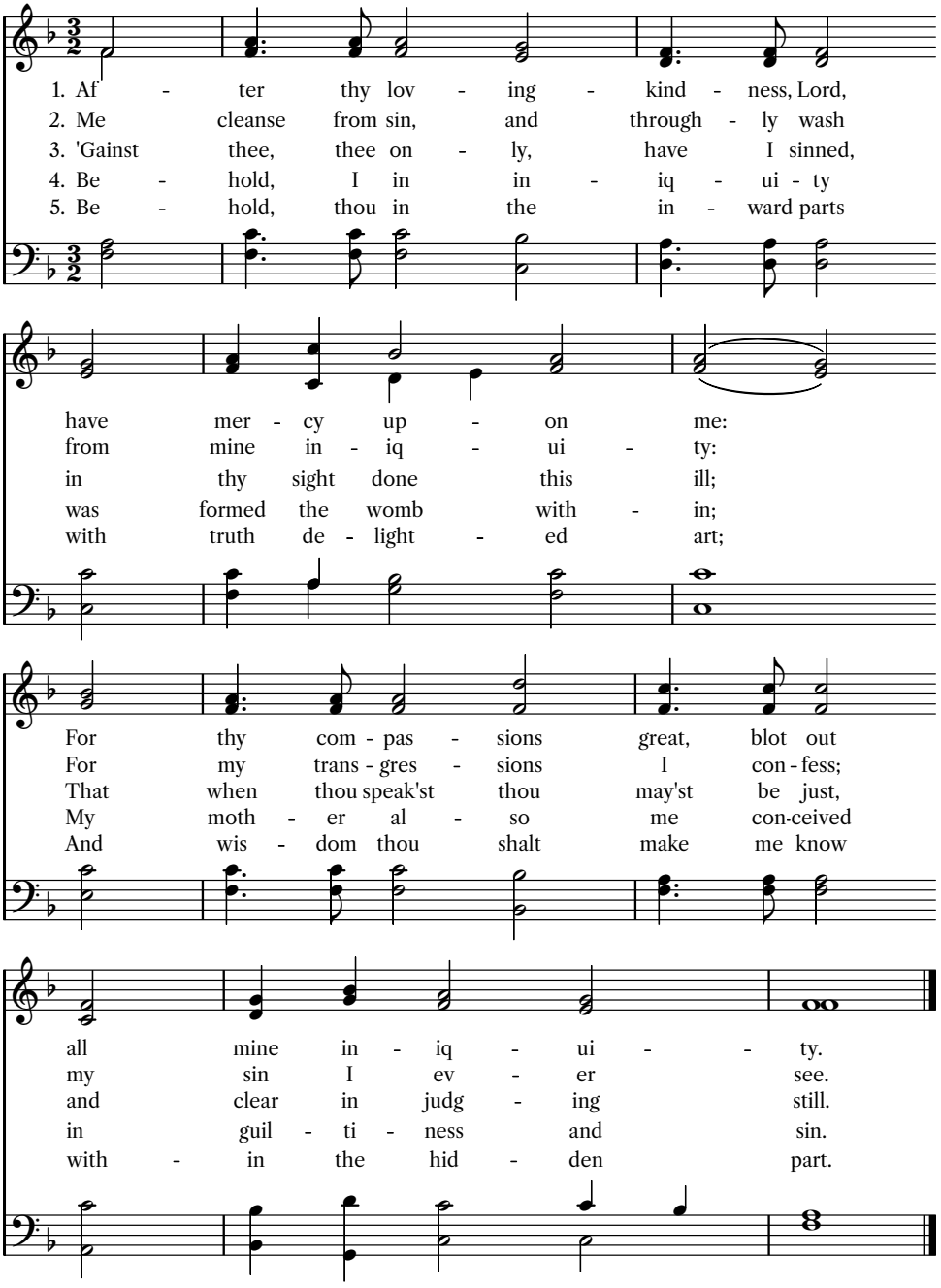After Thy Loving-kindness, Lord



6. Do thou with hyssop sprinkle me,
I shall be cleansed so;
Yea, wash thou me, and then I shall
be whiter than the snow.

7. Of gladness and of joyfulness
make me to hear the voice;
That so these very bones which thou
hast broken may rejoice.

8. All mine iniquities blot out,
thy face hide from my sin.
Create a clean heart, Lord, renew
a right spirit me within.

9. Cast me not from thy sight, nor take
thy Holy Spirit away.
Restore me thy salvation's joy;
with thy free Spirit me stay.

10. Then will I teach thy ways unto
those that transgressors be;
And those that sinners are shall then
be turned unto thee.

11. O God, of my salvation God,
me from blood-guiltiness
Set free; then shall my tongue aloud
sing of thy righteousness.

12. My closed lips, O Lord, by thee
let them be opened;
Then shall thy praises by my mouth
abroad be published.

13. For thou desir'st not sacrifice,
else would I give it thee;
Nor wilt thou with burnt-offering
at all delighted be.

14. A broken spirit is to God
a pleasing sacrifice:
A broken and a contrite heart,
Lord, thou wilt not despise.

15. Show kindness, and do good, O Lord,
to Zion, thine own hill:
The walls of thy Jerusalem
build up of thy good will.

16. Then righteous off'rings shall thee please,
and off'rings burnt, which they
With whole burnt-off'rings, and with calves,
shall on thine altar lay.

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