

Be merciful unto me O Lord

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John Blow
(1649-1708)

The musical score consists of two systems of music. The first system, starting at measure 1, includes staves for Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass, and Organ. The vocal parts sing "Be mer - ci - ful, un - to me, O Lord: be mer - ci - ful un - to me, O Lord: be". The organ part provides harmonic support. The second system, starting at measure 5, continues the melody with the lyrics "un - to me, O Lord: for I will call, for mer - ci - ful, for I will call ful un - to me, O Lord: for I will call, will mer - ci - ful un - to me, O Lord: for I will call, will". The organ part continues to provide harmonic support throughout.

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I will call dai - ly up - on thee. Com - fort the soul of thy ser - vant,
dai - ly up - on thee. Com - fort the soul of thy ser - vant, com -
call dai - ly up - on thee. Com - fort the soul of thy ser - vant,
call dai - ly up - on thee. Com - fort the soul of thy ser - vant,

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com - fort the soul of thy ser - vant: for un - to thee do I
com - fort the soul of thy ser - vant, for un - to thee, O Lord, do
com - fort the soul of thy ser - vant: for un - to thee do I lift
com - fort the soul of thy ser - vant: for un - to thee do I lift

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— lift up, lift up, do I lift up my soul, for un - to
 I lift up, do I lift up, lift up my soul, for un - to
 up my soul, do I lift up, lift up my soul, for un - to
 up my soul, lift up, lift up my soul, for un - to

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thee do I lift up my soul, do I lift up, lift
 thee do I lift up my soul, do I lift up, do I lift
 thee do I lift up my soul, do I lift up, lift
 thee do I lift up my soul, lift up, lift

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up my soul. Be merciful unto me, O Lord.
up my soul. Be merciful unto me, O Lord.
up my soul. Be merciful unto me, O Lord.
up my soul. Be merciful unto me, O Lord.

29 Verse

For thou, Lord, art good and gracious, Be merciful unto me, O
For thou, Lord, art good and gracious, Be merciful unto me, O
For thou, Lord, art good and gracious. Be merciful unto me, O

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Lord. For thou, Lord, art good and gra - cious: and of great mer - cy unto
 Lord. For thou, Lord, art good and gra - cious: and of great mer - cy unto
 Lord. For thou, Lord, art good and gra - cious: and of great mer - cy unto

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FULL

Be mer - ci - ful,
 - to all them that call up - on thee. Be mer - ci - ful, unto
 - to all them that call up - on thee. Be mer - ci - ful, unto
 - to all them that call up - on thee. Be mer - ci - ful unto

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be mer - ci - ful un - to
me, O Lord: be mer - ci - ful,
un - to me, O Lord: be mer - ci - ful un - to me
- to me, O Lord: be mer - ci - ful un - to
me, O Lord, O Lord.

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me, O Lord: be mer - ci - ful un - to me, O Lord, O Lord.
be mer - ci - ful un - to me, O Lord, O Lord.
O Lord: be mer - ci - ful un - to me, O Lord, O Lord.
me, O Lord: be mer - ci - ful un - to me, O Lord, O Lord.