

# Of flattering speech

William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

Cantus primus [Alto]

Cantus secundus [Alto]

Bassus [Tenor]

Of flatt - 'ring speech with su - gared words be -

Of flatt - 'ring speech with su - gared words, with

Of flatt - 'ring speech with su - gared words be -

-ware: Sus - pect the heart, *sus - pect the heart* whose face doth

su - gared words be - ware: Sus - pect the heart whose face doth

-ware, be - ware: Sus - pect the heart whose face doth fawn, doth

fawn and smile, With trust - ing these the world is clogged with care,

fawn and smile, With trust - ing these the world is clogged with care, with

fawn and smile, With trust - ing these the

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with trust - ing these the world is clogged with care, And few there be can

trust - ing these the world is clogged with care, is clogged with care, And few there

world is clogged with care, the world is clogged with care, the world is clogged with care,\_\_\_

scape these Vi - pers vile, and few there be can scape these

be can scape these Vi - pers vile, and few there be can scape these Vi - pers vile, these Vi - pers

\_\_\_ And few there be can scape these Vi - pers vile, these Vi - pers vile, these

Vi - pers vile, With pleas - ing speech they pro - mise, they pro - mise, they

vile, Vi - pers vile, With pleas - ing speech they pro - mise, they pro -

Vi - pers vile, With pleas - ing speech they pro - mise, they pro - mise,

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pro-mise and pro - test, pro - test, pro - test, When hate - ful hearts lie

-mise and pro - test, pro - test, When hate - ful hearts lie hid with -

they pro-mise and pro - test, When hate - ful hearts lie hid with - in their\_\_\_\_\_

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hid with - in their\_\_\_\_\_ breast. With breast.

-in their\_\_\_\_\_ breast, with - in their\_\_\_\_\_ breast. With breast.

breast, with - in their with - in their\_\_\_\_\_ breast. With breast.

Source: William Byrd, *Psalmes, Songs, and Sonnets...* (London, 1611), no.2  
 Text: Geoffrey Whitney (c.1548-c.1601) *Latet anguis in herba* from *A Choice of Emblemes* (1586)

III.18-19: *they pro* ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ *mise* ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪

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