

# Bow down thine ear, O Lord

Psalm 86:1, 3-6, 8, 10-11

Henry Purcell (1659-1695)  
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**Verse**

Soprano: Bow

Alto: Bow

Tenor: Bow

Bass: Bow

Continuo

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down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor and in mi-se-ry,

Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me:

Bow

Time signatures and bass figures original; continuo realization editorial. Editorial accidentals in small type. Spelling, punctuation, barring, and beaming regularized and modernized.

mm. 1-4, organ: upper voice original.

mm. 9-10, 18 and 99, alto: small notes are ossias for a modern SATB choir without countertenors.

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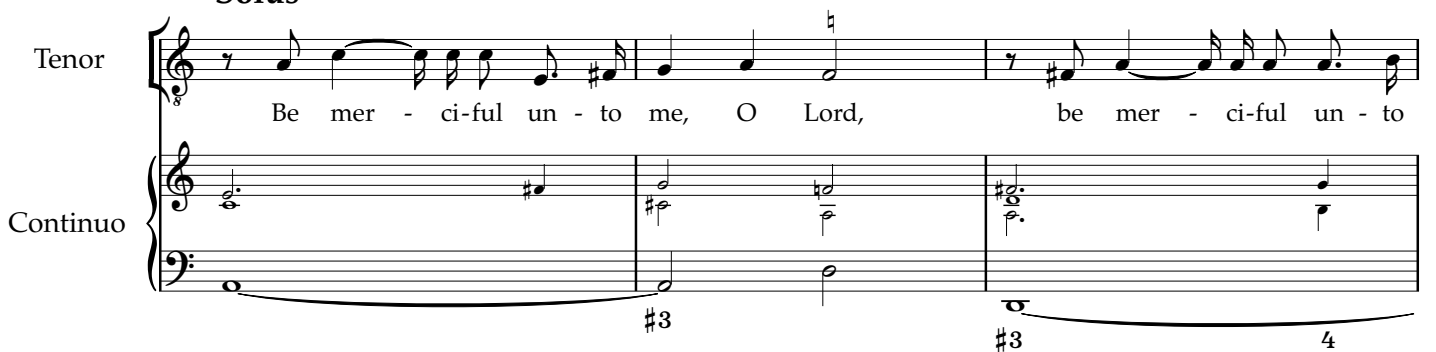
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poor, am poor and in mi-se-ry, I am poor and in mi-se-ry.  
 for I am poor and in mi-se-ry, and in mi-se-ry.  
 hear me, for I am poor and in mi-se-ry.  
 and in mi-se-ry, I am poor and in mi-se-ry.

### Solus

Tenor



Be mer-ci-ful un-to me, O Lord, be mer-ci-ful un-to

Continuo

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me, O Lord: for I will call, will call dai-ly up-on thee.

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Com-fort the soul of thy ser-vant, com-fort the soul

of thy ser - vant: for un - to thee do I lift up \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_ soul,

For thou, \_\_\_\_\_  
for un - to thee do I lift up, do I lift up \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_ soul.

For thou, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, art good and \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Lord, art good and gra - cious: \_\_\_\_\_ and of great mer - cy un - to \_\_\_\_\_  
And of great mer - cy un - to all them that call up - on \_\_\_\_\_ thee.  
For thou, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, art \_\_\_\_\_

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gra - cious: and of great mer - cy un - to all them that call up - on thee,  
 all them that call up - on thee, for thou, Lord, art good, for thou,  
 for thou, Lord, art good and gracious, and of great mer - cy un - to  
 good and gra - cious, and of great mer - cy un - to all them that

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and of great mer - cy un - to all them that call up - on thee, and of great  
 Lord, art good and gracious, and of great mer - cy un - to all them that  
 all them that call up - on thee, that call up - on thee, un - to  
 call up - on thee, for thou, Lord, art good and gracious, and of great

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mer - cy un - to all them that call, that call up - on thee.  
 call up - on thee, un - to all them that call up - on thee.  
 all them that call up - on thee, that call up - on thee.  
 mer - cy un - to all them that call, that call up - on thee.

45 **Chorus**

For thou, Lord, art good and gra - cious, and of great  
 For thou, Lord, art good, art good and gra - - ci - ous, and  
 For thou, Lord, art good and gra - cious,  
 For thou, Lord, art good and gra - cious, and of great mer - cy un - to all

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mer-cy un-to all them that call, that call up-on thee.  
 of great mer-cy un-to all them that call, that call up-on thee.  
 and of great mer-cy un-to all them that call up-on thee.  
 them that call, that call up-on thee.

**Vers solus**

Bass  
 A-mong the gods there is none like un-to thee, there is none,  
 Continuo

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no, none like un-to thee, there is not one that can do as thou  
 dost, for thou art great and dost wondrous things, and dost wondrous things.

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dost, for thou art great and dost wondrous things, and dost wondrous things.

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- drous things, thou, thou art God a -

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- lone, thou, thou art God a - lone.

66 **Vers 4 voc.**

Teach me thy way, O Lord, Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth, teach Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy Teach me thy way, O



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and I will walk in thy truth, teach me thy way, O Lord, me thy way, O Lord, teach me thy way, O Lord, truth, teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy Lord, and I will walk in thy truth, and I will walk in thy

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and I will walk in thy truth: O knit my heart un - to and I will walk in thy truth: O knit my heart un - to truth: O knit my heart un - to thee, that I may fear, may truth: O knit my heart un - to thee,

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thee, O knit my heart un - to thee, that I may fear, may  
 thee, O knit my heart un - to thee,  
 fear thy Name, O knit my heart un - to thee, O knit  
 teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth,

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fear thy Name, teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will  
 teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth,  
 my heart un - to thee, teach me thy way, O Lord, and  
 O knit my heart un - to thee, that I may fear, may

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walk in thy truth, O knit my heart un - - to thee, O knit  
that I may fear, may fear thy Name,  
I will walk in thy truth, O knit my heart un - to thee, that I may  
fear thy Name, O knit my heart un - to

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my heart, my heart un - to thee, that I may fear, may fear thy  
O knit my heart, my heart un - to thee, that I may fear, that  
fear, may fear thy Name, that I may fear, that I may  
thee, that I may fear, may fear thy Name, that I may

Vers & cho:  
 [1st time: Verse  
 2nd time: Chorus]

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Name, that I may fear, may fear thy Name. And I will thank thee, O

I may fear, may fear thy Name. And I will thank thee, O

fear, may fear thy Name. And I will thank thee, O

fear, may fear thy Name. And I will thank thee, O

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Lord my God, with all my heart, I will thank thee, O Lord my God,

Lord my God, with all my heart, I will thank thee, O Lord my God,

Lord my God, with all my heart, I will thank thee, O Lord my God,

Lord my God, with all my heart, I will thank thee, O Lord my God,

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with all my heart: and will praise thy Name for ev - er - more, will praise thy Name,  
 with all my heart: and will praise thy Name for ev - er - more, will praise thy Name,  
 with all my heart: and will praise thy Name for ev - er -  
 with all my heart: and will praise thy Name for ev - er - more, will\_

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praise thy Name for ev - er - more, will praise thy Name for ev - er - more.  
 praise thy Name for ev - er - more, will praise thy Name for ev - er - more.  
 -more, praise thy Name for ev - er - more, will praise thy Name for ev - er - more.  
 praise thy Name for ev - er - more, will\_ praise thy Name for ev - er - more.