

# What if I never speed

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Soprano  
Alto  
Tenor  
Bass

What if I ne - ver speed, shall I straight yield to des -  
Oft have I dreamed of joy, yet I ne - ver felt the

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S  
A  
T  
B

pair, and still on sor - row feed that can no loss re -  
sweet, But tir - ed with an - noy, my griefs each o - ther

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sweet, But ti - red with an - noy, my griefs each o - ther

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S  
A  
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pair; or shall I change my love, for I  
greet. Oft have I left my hope, as a

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S  
find pow'r to de - part, and in my rea - son  
wretch by fate for - lorn, But Love aims at one

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S  
prove I can com - mand my heart?  
scope, and lost will still re - turn.

A  
prove I can com - mand my heart?  
scope, and lost will still re - turn.

T  
prove I can com - mand my heart?  
scope, and lost will still re - turn.

B  
prove I can com - mand my heart?  
scope, and lost will still re - turn.

S  
But if she will pi - ty my de - sire, and my love re -  
He that once loves with a true de - sire ne - ver can de -

A  
But if she will pi - ty, pi - ty, pi - ty my de - sire, and my love re -  
He that once loves with a, once loves with a true de - sire ne - ver can de -

T  
But if she will pi - ty my de - sire, and my love, my love re -  
He that once loves with a, with a true de - sire ne - ver can de -

B  
But if she will pi - ty my de - sire, and my love re - quite,  
He that once loves with a true de - sire ne - ver can de - part,

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S  
quite, then e - ver shall she live my dear de -  
part, For Cu - pid is the king of ev - ery

A  
quite, then e - ver shall she live my dear de - light.  
part, For Cu - pid is the king of ev - ery heart.

T  
quite, then e - ver shall she live my dear de - light.  
part, For Cu - pid is the king of ev - ery heart.

B  
then e - ver shall she live my dear de - light.  
For Cu - pid is the king of ev - ery heart.

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S  
light. Come, come, come, while I have a heart to de - sire thee. Come,  
heart.

A  
Come, come, come, while I have a heart to de - sire thee.

T  
Come, come, come, while I have a heart to de - sire thee.

B  
Come, come, come, while I have a heart to de - sire thee.

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S  
come, come, for ei - ther I will love or ad - mire thee.

A  
Come, come, for ei - ther I will love or ad - mire thee.

T  
Come, come, for ei - ther I will love or ad - mire thee.

B  
Come, come, for ei - ther I will love or ad - mire thee.