

James Relly, 1776
(Song of Solomon 8:14)
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A minor
William Billings, 1781
(Revised 1786)

Treble

1. My be-lov-ed, haste a-way,
Sick of love, for Thee I languish.
Fails my soul at Thy de-lay,

Counter

2. Every moment seems an age,
'Till Thy presence shall relieve me,
'Till Thy smiles my woes assuage,

Tenor

3. Great the force and power of love,
Whence springs all my strong desires;
I, Thy presence, Lord, to prove,

Bass

4. Honor, wealth, and ease I scorn,
Trifles, by the world approved;
To sup-er-ior joys I'm born,

5. Over the spicy mountains fly
Hart and roe, yea winds out-stripping;
Whilst Thou tarry, Love, I die,

Tr. 1. Feels a dying lover's anguish.

C. 2. And Thine absence no more grieve me. Quickly, quickly, Jesus, come, O make my breast Thy native home.

T. 3. I burn, consumed with inward fires.

B. 4. Centering in my well - beloved.
5. Sighing, longing, loving, weeping.