

Psalm 52

Meane

Counter Tenor

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1. Why brag in malice high, O thou in mischief stout?
2. Thou malice loves to wire, Above all goodness walk:

God's goodness yet is nigh,
And more thou loves to lie,

All day to me no doubt.
Then righteousness to talk.

3. But God once thee shall walk, Shall stroy and scrape by hand
4. But I as olive green In God's sweet house shall lay:

Thy tent from thee at last
My trust hast ever been

To root thee out of land.
In God's good grace for aye.

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1. Thy tongue to muse evil, It does itself inure:
2. Yea, loved thou hast no less To speak one word for all:

As razor sharp to spill,
All words of naughtiness,

All guile it doth procure.
Thou tongue in fraud most thrall.

3. And righteous men shall see, And fear thereby shall take,
4. I Thee shall laud e'en still, For this Thou did, say I:

But yet at him full free,
Thy name to wait I will,

And laughter shall they make.
For good Thy saints it spy.

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1. All notes half value of original. Bar lines as in original, making unequal measures.
2. Key marked as G major (one sharp) in *Meane* – applied to whole composition.