

# O God which art most merciful

Psalm 51:1

William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

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2 5  
O God which art most mer - ci - ful, have mer -

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- cy Lord on me, on me, have mer - cy Lord on me, ac -

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cor-ding to thy mer-cy great, ac - cor-ding to thy mer-cy great let me re -

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lie-vèd be, let me re - lie-vèd be. And put a - way my wic-ked-

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ness, my wic-ked-ness, and put a - way my wic-ked-ness, which sun-dry ways hath

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been, which sun-dry ways hath been, ac - cor-ding to the mul - ti -

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tude, ac - cor-ding to the mul - ti - tude, of thy com-pas - si-ons seen,

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of thy com-pas - si-ons seen, ac - cor-ding, ac - cor-ding to the mul - ti - tude,

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of thy com-pas - si-ons seen, of thy com-pas - si-ons seen, com-pas - si-ons seen.