

# Pastime with Good Company

*The Kings ballad*

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[Cantus] (part 1 of 3)

Henry VIII of England (1491-1547)

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Pas - time with good com - pa - ny I love and shall un -  
Youth must have some dal - li - ance of good or ill some  
Com - pa - ny with ho - nes - ty is vir - tue vi - ces

til I die; Grudge who lust but none de - ny, So god be  
pas - - tance; Com - pa - ny me - thinks then best all thoughts and  
to flee. Com - pa - ny is good and ill but e - v'ry

pleas'd thus love will I. For my pas - tance hunt, sing and dance, my  
fan - cies to di - gest. for id - le - ness is chief mis - tress of  
man hath his free will. The best en - sue the worst es - chew my

heart is set. All good - ly sport for my com - fort, who shall me let?  
vi - ces all; Then who can say but myrth and play is best of all.  
mind shall be. Vir - tue to use vice to re - fuse thus shall I use me.

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[Tenor] (part 2 of 3)

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 Youth must have some dal - li - ance of good or ill some  
 Com - pa - ny with ho - nes - ty is vir - tue vi - ces  
 til\_\_ I die; Grudge who lust but none\_\_\_\_ de - ny, So god be  
 pas - - tance; Com - pa - ny me - thinks\_\_\_\_ then best all thoughts and  
 to\_\_\_\_ flee. Com - pa - ny is good\_\_\_\_ and ill but e - v'ry  
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 pleas'd thus love\_ will I. For my pas - tance hunt, sing and dance, my heart\_\_\_\_ is  
 fan - cies to\_\_\_\_ di - gest. for id - le - ness is chief mis - tress of vi - - ces  
 man hath his\_ free will. The best en - sue the worst es - chew my mind\_\_\_\_ shall  
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 set. All good - ly sport for my com - fort, who shall me let?  
 all; Then who can say but myrth and play is best\_ of all.  
 be. Vir - tue to use vice to re - fuse thus shall I use me.

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til\_\_\_\_ I die; Grudge who lust but none\_\_\_\_ de - ny, So god be  
pas - - tance; Com - pa - ny me - thinks\_\_\_\_ then best all thoughts and  
to\_\_\_\_ flee. Com - pa - ny is good\_\_\_\_ and ill but e - v'ry

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pleas'd thus love\_ will I. For my pas - tance hunt, sing and dance, my heart\_ is  
fan - cies to\_ di - gest. for id - le - ness is chief mis - tress of vi - - ces  
man hath his\_ free will. The best en - sue the worst es - chew my mind\_ shall

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set. All good - ly sport for my com - fort, who shall\_ me let?  
all; Then who can say but myrth and play is best\_ of all.  
be. Vir - tue to use vice to re - fuse thus shall I use me.

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[Bassus] (part 3 of 3)

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Pas - time with good com - pa - ny I love and shall un - til I  
Youth must have some dal - li - ance of good or ill some pas - -  
Com - pa - ny with ho - nes - ty is vir - tue vi - ces to

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b



die; Grudge who lust but none de - ny, So god be pleas'd thus love will  
tance; Com - pa - ny me-thinks then best all thoughts and fan - cies to di -  
flee. Com - pa - ny is good and ill but e - v'ry man hath his free



I. For my pas - tance hunt, sing and dance, my heart is set. All  
gest. for id - le - ness is chief mis - tress of vi - ces all; Then  
will. The best en - sue the worst es - chew my mind shall be. Vir -



good - ly sport for my com - fort, who shall me let?  
who can say but myrth and play is best of all.  
tue to vice to re - fuse thus shall I use me.