

Help Lord, for wasted are those men

Metrical translation of Psalm 12 (Salve me fac, Domine)

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Tenor (part 4 of 5)

Psalmes, sonets and songs of sadnes and pietie (Thomas East press, London, 1588)

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Help Lord for was-ted are those men, which right'-ous - ness em - brace, help

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Lord for was - ted are those men, which right'-ous - ness em-brace: And rare - ly found

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that faith - ful are, but all the truth de - face. Each

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to his neigh-bor false - hood speaks, each to his neigh-bor false-hood speaks and them seeks

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to be - guile, be - guile: with flat-t'ring lips and dou - ble heart, when

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smooth-est he doth smile, with flat-t'ring lips, with flat-t'ring lips and dou - ble heart,

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when smooth-est he doth smile, when smooth-est he doth smile, he doth smile.