

All as a Sea

William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

Contratenor (part 3 of 5)

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

All as a Sea, the world no o - ther is, all as a Sea, the world no o -
- ther is, our selves are ships still tos-sed, still tos - sed to_ and fro, and lo, each
man, his love to that or this, his love to that or this, is like a storm, that drives, that drives
the ship to go, that thus our life_ in doubt of ship-wreck stands, of ship-wreck stands: our wills the_
rocks, our want of skill the sands, the sands; that_ thus our life_ in doubt of ship-
- wreck stands, of ship-wreck stands: our wills the_ rocks, our want of skill the sands.