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Paraphrased by Miles Smyth (1618-71)

Psalm 116, by William Croft (1678-1727)

I love the Lord, because he heard
Psalm 116

Edited by Francis Roads

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Cantus

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Medius

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Bassus

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Symphony

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5. Gracious the Lord, and righteous is;
In him full mercies flow;
He keeps the simple, and hath raised
Me up, when I was low.

6. Then turn thee, O my rescued soul
Unto thy peaceful rest:
For unto thee the Lord his love
In bounty hath expressed.

7. Thou hast redeemed my life from death,
Mine eyes from briny tears;
And feet from falling, that I might
Live godly all my years.

Edited from Henry Playford's *The Divine Companion* (4th edition, London 1722) page 69-71.
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