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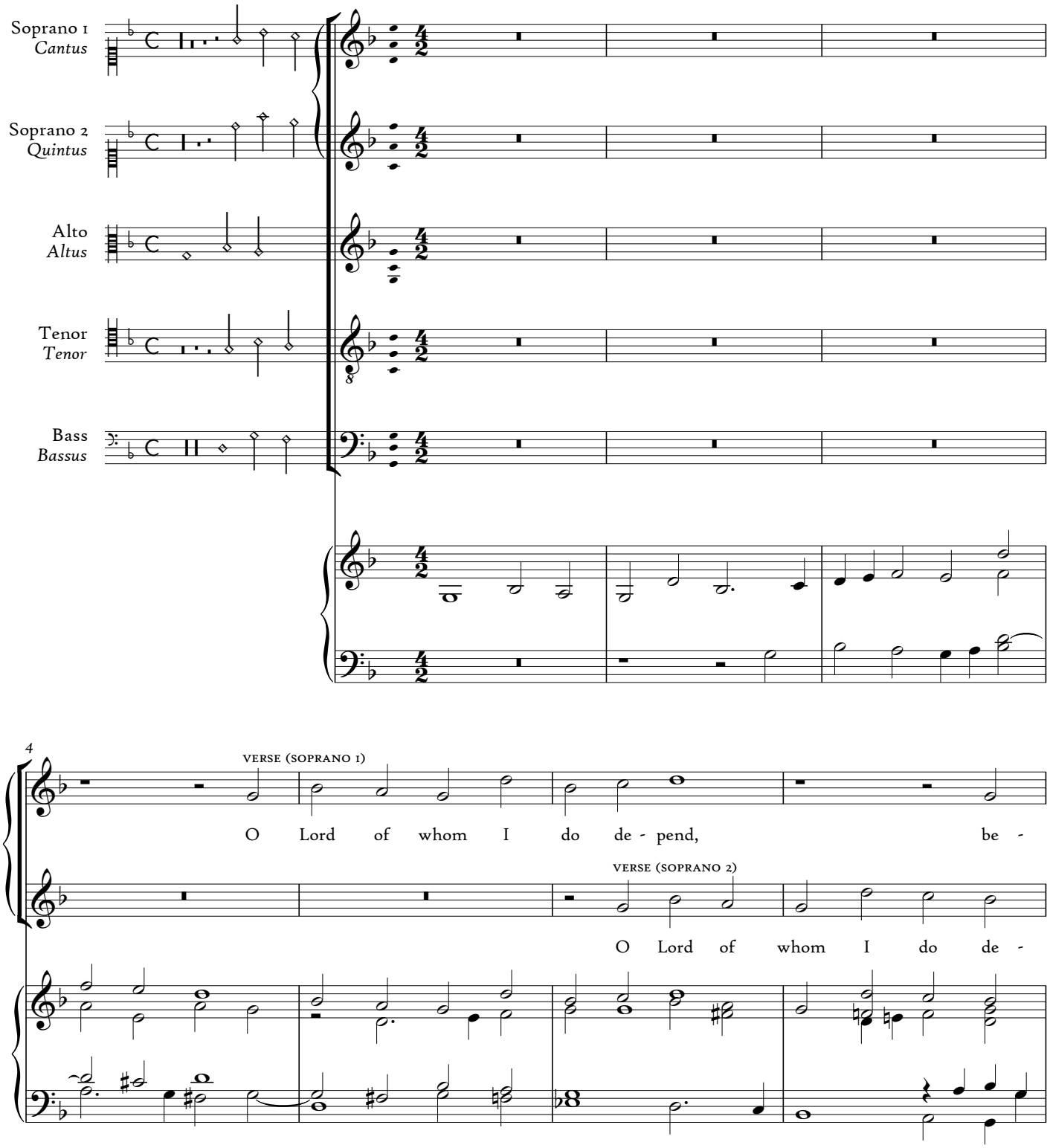
O Lord of whom I do depend, behold my careful heart,
And when thy will and pleasure is, release me of my smart.

the text may be understood as a poetic paraphrase of Psalm 25 verse 17, capturing the emotional sense of the verse rather than providing a direct or literal translation

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