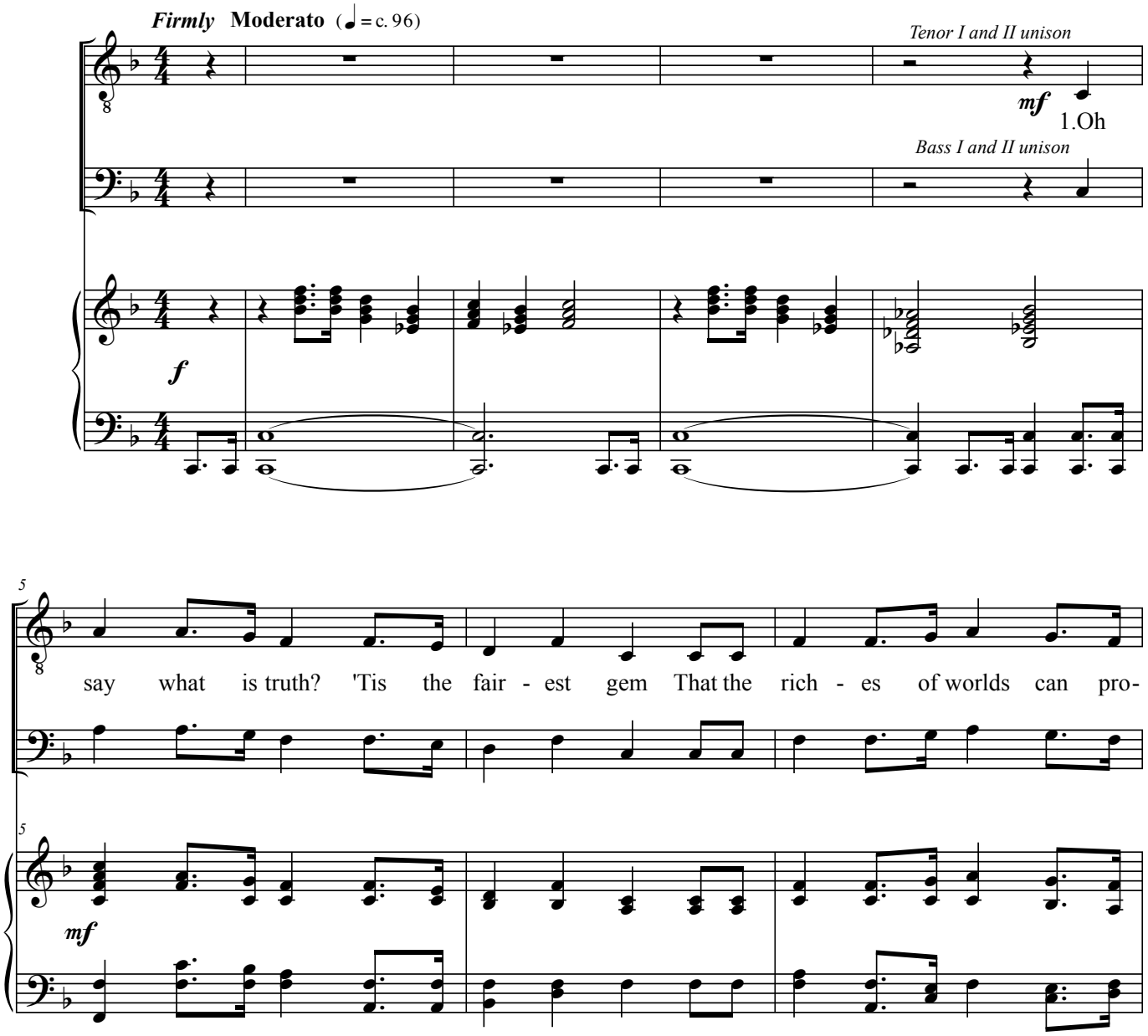
Oh, Say What Is Truth?

Anthem for Men's (T.T.B.B.) Chorus and Piano

arr. by BETSY LEE BAILEY

Text: John Jaques, 1827-1900
Music: Ellen Knowles Melling, 1820-1905



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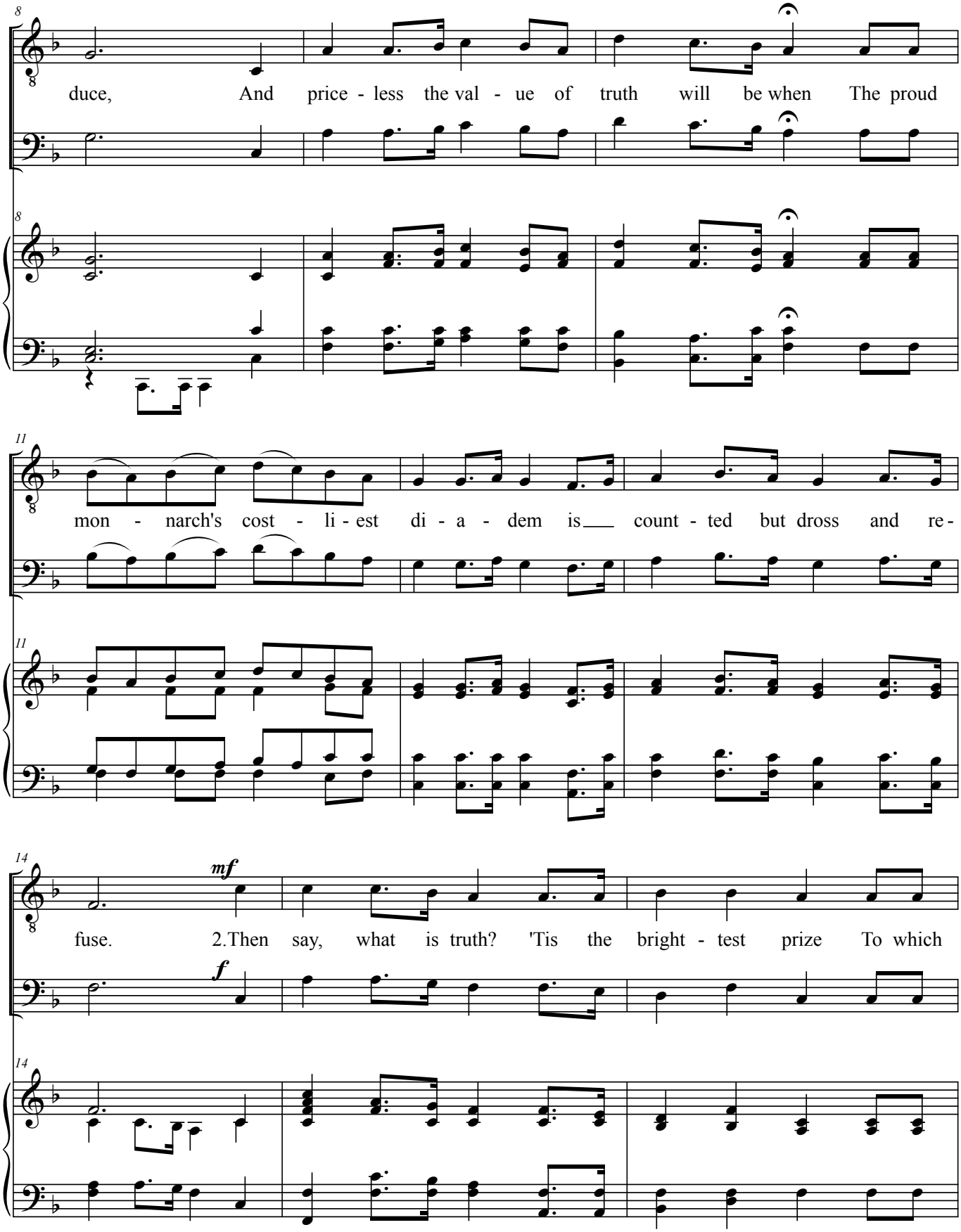
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duce, And price - less the val - ue of truth will be when The proud
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mon - narch's cost - li - est di - a - dem is count - ted but dross and re -
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fuse. 2.Then say, what is truth? 'Tis the bright - test prize To which
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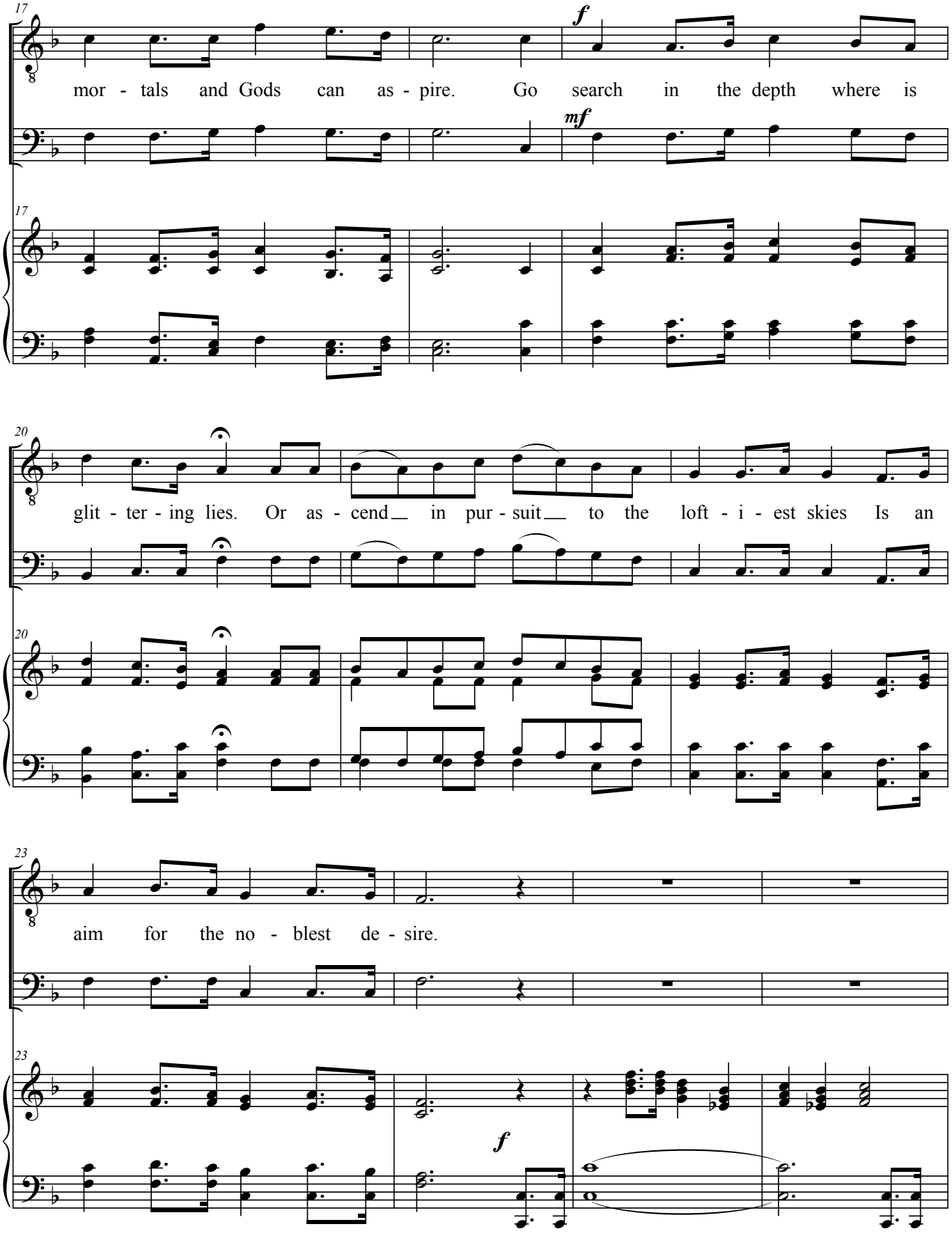
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mor - tals and Gods can as - pire. Go search in the depth where is
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glit - ter - ing lies. Or as - cend in pur - suit to the loft - i - est skies Is an
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aim for the no - blest de - sire.
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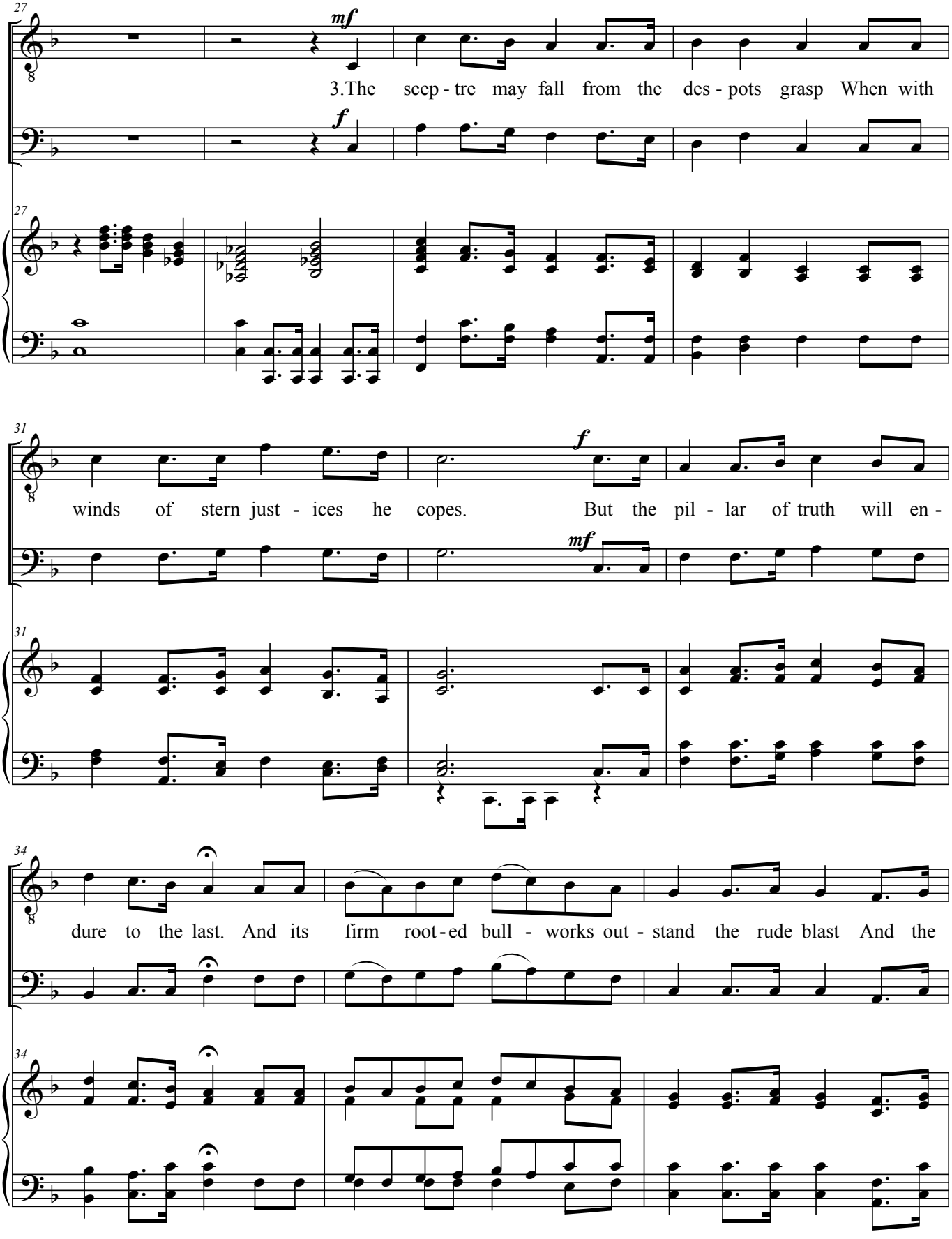
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mf
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3.The scep - tre may fall from the des - pots grasp When with
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winds of stern just - ices he copes. But the pil - lar of truth will en -
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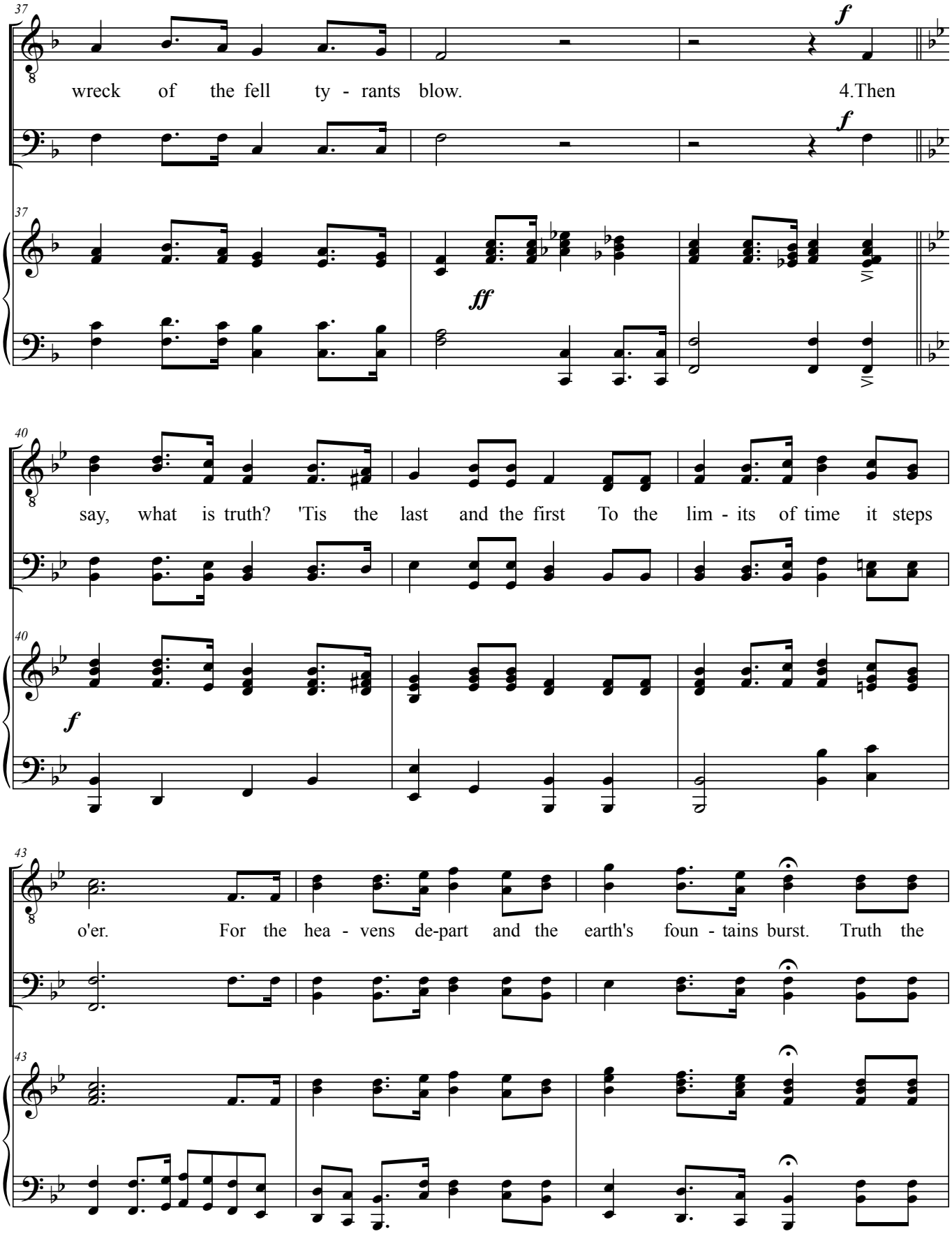
dure to the last. And its firm root - ed bull - works out - stand the rude blast And the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wreck of the fell ty - rants blow.
4.Then
f
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ff
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say, what is truth? 'Tis the last and the first To the lim - its of time it steps
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f
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o'er. For the hea - vens de-part and the earth's foun - tains burst. Truth the
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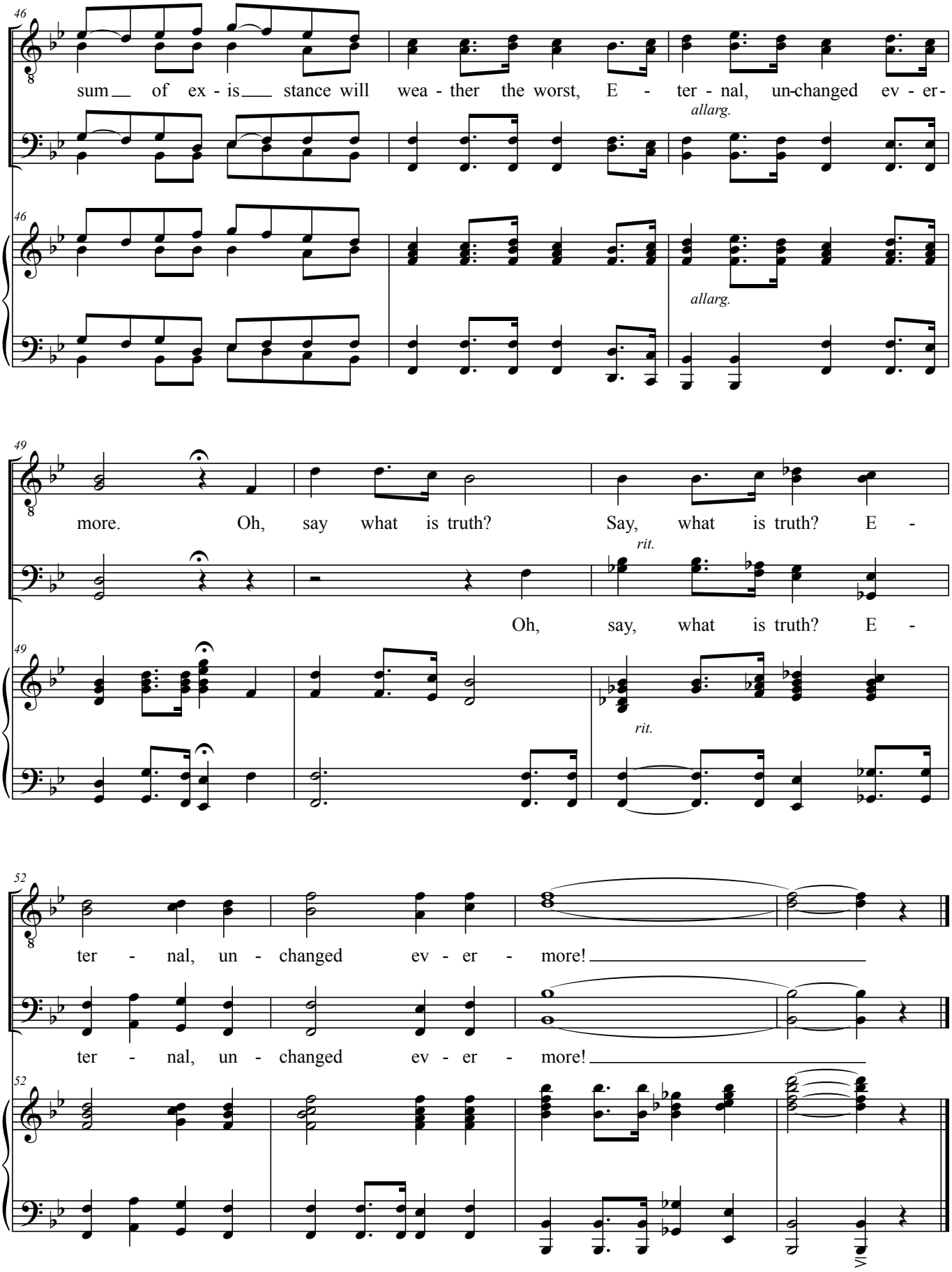
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allarg.
allarg.
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more. Oh, say what is truth? Say, what is truth? E -
rit.
Oh, say, what is truth? E -
rit.
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ter - nal, un - changed ev - er - more!
ter - nal, un - changed ev - er - more!