

# Regard (O Lord) for I complaine

The Whole Booke of Psalmes (1621) - *Psalme 61*

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CANTVS  
MEDIVS  
TENOR  
or *Playnsong*  
BASSVS

Re - gard (O Lord) for I com - plain, and make my suit to thee:  
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S. Let not my words re - turn in vain, but give an ear to me. From off the coasts and ut - most parts  
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T. Let not my words re - turn in vain, but give an ear to me. From off the coasts and ut - most parts  
B. Let not my words re - turn in vain, but give an ear to me. From off the coasts and ut - most parts

6  
S. of all the earth a - broad: in grief and an - guish of my heart, I cry to thee O God.  
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T. of all the earth a - broad: in grief and an - guish of mu heart, I cry to thee O God.  
B. of all the earth a - broad: in grief and an - guish of my heart, I cry to thee O God.

3. Upon the rock of thy great power  
my woeful mind repose:  
Thou art my hope, my fort, and tower,  
my fence against my foes.  
4. Within thy tent I lust to dwell,  
for ever to endure.  
Under thy wings I know right well  
I shall be safe and sure.

5. The Lord doth my desire regard,  
and dot fulfill the same:  
With godly gifts doth he reward  
all them that fear his name.  
6. *The King shall he in health maintain\**  
and so prolong his days:  
That he from age to age shall reign,  
for evermore always.

7. That he may have a dwelling place,  
before the Lord for aye:  
O let thy mercy, truth and grace  
defend him from decay.  
8. Then shall I sing for ever still;  
with praise unto thy name  
That all thy vows I may fulfill,  
and daily pay the same.

## Critical notes:

The first line of verse 6 is missing in the original and has been completed from the *Sternhold & Hopkins Psalter*.  
Text somewhat modernised.