CHORAL WARM-UP based on a madrigal published in 1594AD by an English theorist and composer (and student of William Byrd) named Thomas Morley (d. 1603). This exercise is meant to help singers understand the technique of SSS—“Start Soft then Swell.” The score has been edited “excessively” in an effort to make this clear. Rehearsal videos for each individual voice are available (free of charge) on https://ccwatershed.org/

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