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THREE POEMS

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WHAT IS DONE CANNOT BE UNDONE

Plain Hunt – For Six Voices

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DRAW UP MY PRISONED SPIRIT TO THY SOUL
Plain Hunt – After DG Rossetti – For Six Voices

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Taken from Dante Gabriel Rossetti's sonnet "Redemption" from
the book *The House of Life*.

THE TRUTH IS RARELY PURE AND NEVER SIMPLE

Plain Hunt – After Oscar Wilde – For Six Voices

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Taken from *The Importance of Being Earnest* by Oscar Wilde.

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