

Io mi son giovinetta

With Accompaniment for practice

Source Text: attributed to Guarini

"I am a lively young woman, and I like to laugh and sing in the new spring season." That's how my sweet shepherdess sang.

When I heard her, my own heart suddenly leapt and I sang like a bird:

"I am also young. I also like to laugh and sing in this lovely, gentle season.

My love is blossoming at the sight of your beautiful eyes."

She replied to me:

"If you are wise, you will flee from the fire that has been awakened.

My beautiful eyes will not promise you any springtime."

Translation: Keith Hudson

Claudio Monteverdi (1567-1643)

