

Shall I then hope

The Third and Fourth Booke of Ayres (1617)

Thomas Campion (1567 - 1620)

Shall I then hope when faith is fled? Can I seeke love when hope is
gone? Or can I live when Love is dead? Poore - ly hee lives that can love
none. Her vovs are broke, and I am free, Shee lost her faith in loo - sing mee.

2. When I compare mine owne events,
When I weigh others like annoy;
All doe but heape up discontents,
That on a beauty build their ioy.
Thus I of all complaine, since shee
All faith hath lost in loosing mee.

3. So my deare freedome have I gain'd,
Through her unkindnesse, and disgrace,
Yet could I ever live enchain'd,
As shee my service did embrace.
But shee is chang'd, and I am free,
Faith failing her, Love dyed in mee.