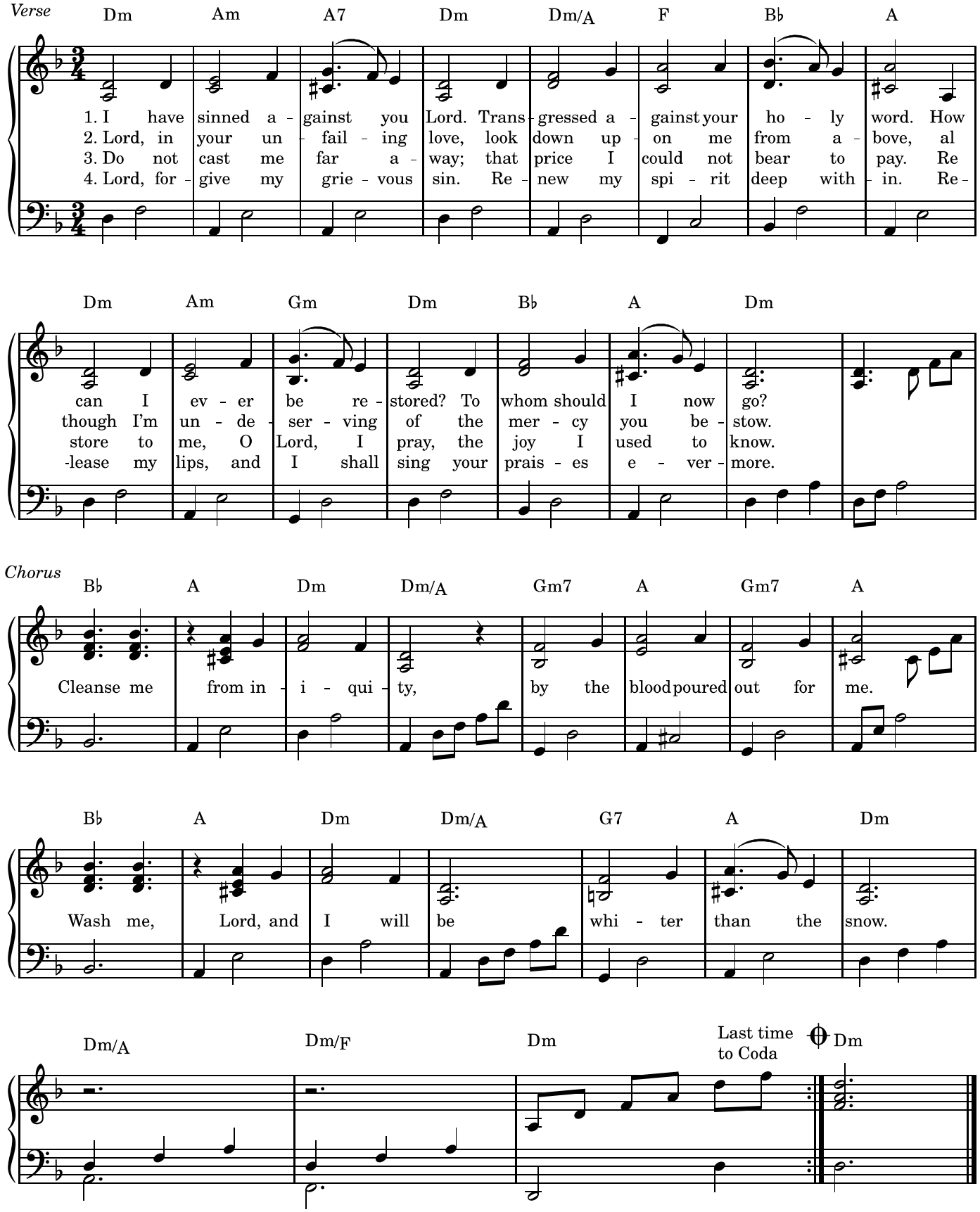Whiter Than The Snow (Psalm 51)

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Psalm 51:7 reads “Cleanse me with hyssop... & I will be whiter than snow" referring to the Old Testament practice of using hyssop branches to sprinkle the blood of sacrificed animals as a symbol of purification from sin. In the New Testament, such repeated symbolic acts are replaced by the once and for all reality of Christ’s blood being shed to make us righteous in God’s eyes, “cleansed from all sin” & "robed in white" (see 1 Jn 1:7 and Rev 7:14)