I Love and I Must

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I	love	and	I	must,	and	yet	I	would	fain,
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With a large dose of reason cure my pain. But I am past hope, and yet it seems strange A thing that's call'd man not subject to change.

Had I power to scorn as she to despise, I might at once be inconstant and wise. Then tell me, oh! tell me, how it should be So easy to men, yet so hard to me.

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Thank you!

