There is a parallel between Orsino and Olivia. They both love someone unconditionally for their ability to be so loyal to another individual. They both truly enjoy chasing that which they are unable to have. And once the two of them realize that they cannot be with the one they wish for, (Olivia in Orsino's case and Viola as Cesario in Olivia's case), they transfer their love as quickly as a wave crashes to Viola and Sebastian respectively. The following are quotes which illustrate the oscillation of their feelings in a wave like manner:

**Act V Scene I** "What to perverseness? You, uncivil lady, to whose ingrate and auspicious alters My soul the faithful'st off'rigns have breathed out that e'er devotion tendered-what shall I do? Why should I not, had I the love to do it, ...kill what I love?-a savage jealousy...But hear me this: Since you to nonregardance cast my faith, And that I partly know the instrument that screws me from my true place in your favor, Live you the marble-breasted tyrant still."

Orsino tells after finding out that his best friend Cesario is a woman that he may love: "Give me thy hand, And let me see thee in they woman's weeds".

Orsino, having been in love with Olivia, immediately falls in love with Viola because he cannot have Olivia and because he truly loves Viola's character.
Viola explains: "As I am man, my state is desperate for my master's love. As I am woman (now alas the day!), what thriftless sighs shall poor Olivia breathe" (Act II Scene III). Olivia loves Cesario's ability to love Orsino so obediently.

Viola tells Olivia in Act V Scene I: "After him I love more than I love these eyes, more than my life, more by all mores than e'er! I shall love wife. If I do feign, you witnesses above punish my life for tainting my love" to which she responds: "Ay me, detested! How I am beguiled!"

Sebastian explains to Olivia: "So it comes lady you have been mistook. But nature to her bias drew in that". She then kisses Sebastian, at least in the movie expressing her love for him even though seconds before she was supposedly in love with Cesario.