

Jesus, the Very Thought of You

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1. Je - sus, the ver - y thought of you fills us with sweet de - light;
2. No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind re - call
3. O hope of ev - 'ry hum - ble soul, O joy of all the meek,
4. O Je - sus, be our joy to - day; help us to prize your love;

1. but sweet - er far your face to view and rest with - in your light.
2. a sweet - er sound than your blest name, O Sav - iour of us all!
3. how kind you are to those who fail, how good to those who seek!
4. grant us at last to hear you say: "Come, share my home a - bove."

Inspiration: "Jesu dulcis memoria", ca. 12th cent.; attr. to Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153.
Lyrics: 86.86; Edward Caswall, 1814-1878, in "Lyra Catholica", 1849.
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