

Closer to Thee(Ashley)

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Jesus, draw us closer to Thee,  
Fill our hearts with joy and peace,  
Crown our worship with Thy presence,  
Bid us from all sorrow cease;  
Grant us from our sins deliverance,  
From all unbelief set free;  
Come, O come, Thou blest Redeemer,  
That Thy glory we may see.

Refrain

Closer to Thee, yes, closer to Thee,  
May we ever still be clinging,  
Closer to Thee.

We would see Thee, blessed Jesus,  
See Thee in Thy crimson dress;  
We would catch Thy smile, so gracious,  
We would all our sins confess;  
We would hear Thy words so tender,  
Falling like the gracious dew;  
We our hearts and minds surrender,  
Take them, Lord, and make them new.

Refrain

Thou alone from sin canst save us,  
Thou alone canst cleanse the soul;  
Speak the word, O mighty Jesus,  
And we're every whit made whole;  
Now I see Thee, precious Jesus,  
See Thee as my sovereign king;  
Joy, O joy, I've found salvation,  
Heav'n and earth His praises sing.

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