

Oh, to Be Nearer
Fanny Crosby, 1881.
William Kirkpatrick.

Oh, to be nearer, nearer,
The feet of my Lord and King!
Oh, to enjoy His presence,
And only His love to sing!

Refrain

Only His love, only His love,
Ever my song shall be:
His wonderful love, preparing above
A robe and a crown for me.

Oh, to be nearer, nearer
Communing with Him in prayer!
Oh, to be stronger, stronger,
My burden of toil to bear!

Refrain

Oh, to be nearer, nearer
My Refuge, my Hope, my All!
Oh, to be always ready
To answer my Savior's call!

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Oh, for a faith still brighter,
And clearer from day to day!
Oh, to be more like Jesus,
In all that I do and say!

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