

Though Kindred Ties Around Us**Words: Fanny Crosby, 1881. Music: John Sweney.**

Though kindred ties around us
Like ivy branches twine,
Though life has many pleasures
That o'er my pathway shine,
Though words to friendship sacred
More sweet than music fall,
One look, one smile from Jesus
Is dearer far than all.

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Dearer, yes, dearer,
Dearer far than all,
One look, one smile from Jesus,
Is dearer far than all.

We meet in Christian converse,
We speak of joys to come,
We lift our eyes expectant
To Eden's blissful home;
Though sweet and precious blessings
With every moment fall,
One look, one smile, from Jesus
Is dearer far than all.

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One look, one smile from Jesus,
For whom our souls would live,
Not Heav'n's transcendent beauty
Such holy joy can give;
Beyond the silent river
Though spirit voices call,
One look, one smile, from Jesus
Is dearer far than all.

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