

Jesus, the very thought of Thee

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1. Je - sus, the ver - y thought of Thee With sweet - ness
 2. Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, Nor can the
 3. O hope of eve - ry con - trite heart, O joy of
 4. But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor
 5. Je - sus, our on - ly joy be Thou, As Thou our

fills the breast; But sweet - er far Thy face to
 mem - ory find a sweet - er sound than Thy blest
 all the meek, To those who fall, how kind Thou
 pen can show; The love of Je - sus, what it
 prize will be; Je - sus be Thou our glo - ry

see, And in Thy pres - ence rest.
 name, O Sav - iour of man - kind!
 art! How good to those who seek!
 is, None but His loved ones know.
 now, And through e - ter - ni - ty.