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O JESUS, Friend unfailing,
How dear Thou art to me!
Are cares or fears assailing?
I find my strength in Thee.
Why should my feet grow weary
Of this my pilgrim way?
Rough though the path, and dreary,
It ends in perfect day.

- What fills my soul with gladness?
 'Tis Thine abounding grace;
 Where can I look in sadness,
 But, Jesus, on Thy face?
 My all is Thy providing;
 Thy love can ne'er grow cold;
 In Thee, my refuge, hiding,
 No good wilt Thou withhold.
- 3 Why should I droop in sorrow?
 Thou art ever by my side:
 Why trembling dread the morrow?
 What ill can e'er betide?
 If I my cross have taken,
 'Tis but to follow Thee;
 If scorned, despised, forsaken,
 Nought severs Thee from me.
- 4 For every tribulation,
 For every sore distress,
 In Christ I've full salvation,
 Sure help and quiet rest.
 No fear of foes prevailing,
 I triumph, Lord, in Thee;
 O Jesus, Friend unfailing,
 How dear art Thou to me!