

# HOW CAN I LEAVE THEE

Thuringian Folk Song

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1. How can I leave thee! How can I from thee part! Thou on - ly hast my heart,  
 2. Blue is a flow - 'ret Called the "For - get - me - not," Wear it up - on thy heart,  
 3. Would I a bird were! Soon at thy side to be, Fal - con nor hawk would fear,

*p* *f*

Sis - ter, be - lieve. Thou hast this soul of mine So close - ly  
 And think of me! Flow - 'ret and hope may die, Yet love with  
 Speed - ing to thee. When by the fowl - er slain, I at thy

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bound to thine, No oth - er can I love, Save thee a - lone!  
 us shall stay That can - not pass a - way, Sis - ter, be - lieve.  
 feet should lie, Thou sad - ly shouldst com - plain, Joy - ful I'd die.