

# If floods of tears

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If floods of tears could cleanse my fol- lies past, And smokes of sighs might sa-  
I see my hopes must wi- ther in their bud; I see my fa- vours are

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cri- fice for sin; If groan- ing cries might salve my fault at last, Or end- less  
no last- ing flow'rs; I see that words will breed no bet- ter good Than loss of

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moan for - er- ror par- don win, Then would I cry, weep, sigh, and ev- er  
time, and - light- ening but at hours. Thus when I see, then thus I say there-

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moan, Mine er- rors, faults, sins, fol- lies, - - past and gone.  
fore: That fa- vours, hopes, and words can - - blind no more.