

## 517 I'd Rather Have Jesus

*I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ. Phil. 3:8*

1. I'd rath - er have Je - sus than sil - ver or gold; I'd rath - er be  
 2. I'd rath - er have Je - sus than men's ap - plause; I'd rath - er be  
 3. He's fair - er than lil - ies of rar - est bloom; He's sweet - er than

His than have rich - es un - told; I'd rath - er have Je - sus than  
 faith - ful to His dear cause; I'd rath - er have Je - sus than  
 hon - ey from out the comb; He's all that my hun - ger - ing

(small notes, last stanza)

hous - es or lands. I'd rath - er be led by His nail-pierced hand  
 world-wide fame. I'd rath - er be true to His ho - ly name  
 spir - it needs. I'd rath - er have Je - sus and let Him lead

**Refrain**

Than to be the king of a vast do - main Or be held in sin's dread sway.

I'd rath - er have Je - sus than an - y - thing This world af - fords to - day.

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 Irregular meter

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