

# Kerry Beaumont

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*Jesu, the very thought of thee*

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for unaccompanied mixed voices

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# Jesu, the very thought of thee

Words: Latin c. 12th century  
translated by Edward Caswall (1814-78)

Music: KERRY BEAUMONT

**Lento**

*p*

SOPRANO  
ALTO

Je - su, the ve - ry thought of thee — With sweet - ness fills my

TENOR  
BASS

*p*

5

*p* *cresc.* *dim.* **And** *p*

breast, — But sweet - er far thy face — to see, —

But sweet - - er far thy face — to see, —

*p* *cresc.* *dim.*

But sweet - er far thy face — to see,

9

*p* *mp* *mf*

in thy pres - ence rest. — No voice can sing,

And in thy pres - ence rest. — No voice can sing, no

*p* *mp*

No voice can sing,

no heart can frame, Nor can the mem-'ry find,

heart can frame, — Nor can the mem-'ry find, A sweet - er  
no heart can frame, — Nor can the mem-'ry find,

sound than Je - su's name. The Sa - vior of man - kind. O hop of ev-'ry con - trite

heart, O joy of all the meek, To those who ask how kind thou art, How

good to those who seek! But what to those who find? — Ah, this, Nor tongue nor

31 *mp*

pen can show; The love of Je - sus, what it is

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35 *p* *mp* *mf*

our on - ly joy be thou,

None but his loved ones know. Je - su, our joy be thou, As

our on - ly joy be thou,

39 *mf* *f*

our prize wilt be; In the be all our glo - - ry

thou wilt be In the be go - - - ry

our prize wilt be In the be go - - - ry

43 *mp* *dim.* *pp*

now, And through e - - ter - ni - - ty.

now, And through e - - ter - ni - - ty.

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