Ae Fond Kiss – Robert Burns (1791)

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C                  F       Am
Ae fond kiss, and then we sever
                  G       C
Ae farewell, and then forever
F                    C          Am
Deep in heart-wrung tears I'll pledge thee,
C       Am        G                 C
Warring sighs and groans I'll wage thee...


C                   F        AM
Who shall say that Fortune grieves him?
                    G         C
While the star of hope she leaves him
F                 C       AM
Me nae cheerful twinkle lights me,
C       AM     G             C
Dark despair around benights me...

C                    F        AM
I'll ne'er blame my partial fancy:
                  G      C
Nothing could resist my Nancy
F              C       AM
But to see her was to love her
C        AM        G         C
Love but her, and love for ever...

C             F         AM
Had we never loe'd sae kindly,
              G         C
Had we never loe'd sae blindly,
F                 C     AM
Never met - nor never parted –
C       AM        G           C
We had ne'er been broken-hearted...

 C                     F          AM
Fare thee weel, thou first and fairest
                      G         C
Fare thee weel, thou best and dearest
F              C        AM
Thine be ilka joy and treasure,
C         AM       G             C
Peace, Enjoyment, Love and Pleasure. . .  REPEAT FIRST VERSE
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ae = only, sole, a
ilka = every
sae = so