

## Ae Fond Kiss – Robert Burns (1791)

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 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 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 G C  
Love but her, and love for ev-er...

C F Am  
Had we never love d sae kindly,  
G C  
Had we never loved sae blindly,  
F C Am  
Never met - nor never parted -  
C Am G 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                  G                  C  
Peace, Enjoyment, Love and Pleasure. . .

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ae = only, sole, a ilka = every sae = so