Blest Be the Tie That Binds

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1. Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.

2. Before our Father's throne We pour our ardent prayers; Our hopes, our aims are one Our comforts and our cares.

3. We share each other's woes, Our mutual burdens bear; And often for each other flows The sympathizing tear.

4. When we a sun-der part, It gives us inward pain; But we shall still be joined in heart, And hope to meet again.

5. This glorious hope re-vives Our courage by the way; While each in expectation lives, And longs to see the day.

6. From sorrow, toil and pain, And sin, we shall be free, And perfect love and friendship reign Through all eternity.

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