

# When You Say Farewell

We all learn that people come and people go. You could lose the one you love in the turn of a road, in a sudden bend in the stream and life in its infinite mystery vanishes like the morning dew in the warm break of dawn.

The universality of loss is indellable. I remember dropping my best friend off at the airport in Nashville. I can still see him smile and casually wave goodbye as I pulled away merging back into traffic. I had no idea that would be the last time I'd ever see him. That's life. And that's death.

Accidentally or intentionally...

Sweetly or somberly...

Long farewells or brief goodbyes...

People go away...

Something inside says this is not the way it should be.

Others turn their backs. This is the lesson we all learn. Some graves are not found in cemeteries. They are cloistered inside our souls. Through emotional illness, anger, misunderstanding or fate we lose and say farewell to those we love. There are no ceremonies to mark their departures. But there is One that hears the sound of our weeping and whispers, "Me too."

The creator of reunions... He is the One in the gap of our disconnection.

His name is Jesus.

The Matchless King who wrapped himself  
in a garment of earthly flesh

Jesus

The Christ

And Peter said, "You are Christ the Son of the Living God."

Jesus

The Anointed One sent from the throne of the Father

Jesus

The Lord,

Whose arrival was announced by a host of angels.

The Lord – the Master of our lives.

Jesus

Our peace... not a state of mind but a Person. For He is Peace.

Oh war-torn world, prepare yourself for the coming of the Prince of Peace.

Jesus

Wonderful Savior- If you have ever come to the realization of who we are and who He is, and what He does, how can you doubt that

Jesus' Name is Wonderful... Counselor The God who listens and directs.

He is light in darkness,

Voice in silence, and wisdom in a land of lostness.

Jesus

The Mighty God

Jesus

The Everlasting Father

Have you ever mourned the loss of a father or mother? See the joy of a Father who never dies. He lives forever.

Jesus

The Word of God

In the beginning was the Word

and the Word was with God

and the Word was

Jesus

The fourth man in the furnace

Jesus

The Friend

The One who never leaves.