

MIDNIGHT DEDICATION

1. Sometimes when it's late at night,
I don't want to go to bed;
I like to spend the time with you instead.
'Cause when its curtains have been
drawn, the city goes to sleep,
and midnight words are easier to speak.

*You mean more to me than laughter,
more than pleasure, more than wealth;
you mean more to me than friendship,
more than happiness and health.
Though these things are dear to me,
much more than I can tell,
you mean more to me than living itself.*
2. I see you in the smiles we share
when friends come round for tea,
in birthday cards, in lovers on the street.
I hear your voice when times are bad,
and dreams have fallen through.
I need some help, and so I turn to you.
3. You could say I've had a lucky life,
though I would call it blessed.
I often wonder why I've had the best.
I pray that if my day grows dark,
and sorrow comes my way,
I'll still have faith enough for me to say:

Your constant love is better than life itself and so I will praise you.
Psalm 63:3

1976. Late nights have often seen the beginnings - and the finishings - of songs.