



Precious Memories

Tennessee Ernie Ford helped repopularize the oldtime favorite "Precious Memories." He calls it a kind of "Southern-Western spiritual," probably because of its plain but plaintive melody and its four-square harmonies. J. B. F. Wright wrote both the words and music. His memories, which he calls "unseen angels," evoke a

mother and a father who made his home a joyful, reverent source of strength that still comforts him over the many years that have passed since his childhood. In the refrain there is a reminiscence of certain favorite spirituals, made more poignant by the expressive musical turn on the word "soul."

Words and Music by J. B. F. Wright

Moderately

again





Sent from some - where to my soul; How they lin - ger,
 Fly a - cross the lone - ly years; And old home scenes

C G D G

ev - er near me, And the sa - cred past un - fold.
 of my child - hood, In fond mem - o - ry ap - pears.

G C F7

CHORUS

Pre - cious mem - 'ries, how they lin - ger, How they ev - er flood my

G G 13 C/G bass G

soul, In the still - ness of the mid - night,

D G G

1. 2.

Pre - cious, sa - cred scenes un - fold.

fold. *Slower*