

Both Sides the Tweed

words & music: Dick Gaughan

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Am Em Am

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Ch: Am G

Ch: Let the love of our land's sac - red rights

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What's the spring, breathing jasmine and rose
What's the summer with all its gay train
Or the splendour of autumn to those
Who've bartered their freedom for gain

Chorus:

Let the love of our land's sacred rights
To the love of our people succeed
Let friendship and honour unite
And flourish on both sides the Tweed

No sweetness the senses can cheer
Which corruption and bribery bind
No brightness that gloom can e'er clear
For honour's the sum of the mind

(Chorus)

Let virtue distinguish the brave
Place riches in lowest degree
Think them poorest who can be a slave
Them richest who dare to be free.

(Chorus)

Both Sides the Tweed: by Dick Gaughan. This beautiful song celebrates his desire for Scotland to have its own identity while in a good relationship with its neighbour England. Written at the time of the 1979 referendum on devolution.