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—By Stan D. Sweeney

*The worst part of being with you
is being without you.
An emptiness wells up inside me
at the thought that someday
you may not answer my beckoning call—
and that I am powerless
to change that course of events.*

*I am so afraid of losing you
that I fight an irresistible urge
to hold you anytime we chance to meet.
I languish in your gaze and become
deaf to all around me.
No troubles or responsibilities occur to me
when I am near you and I bask in your glow.*

*So do not be afraid to care for me.
Let me hold your attention for a little time.
Your emotions shall be as precious stones,
collected with time,
one by one,
treasured,
secret.*



Weaving by Sandra Snell

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