## THE SWEETEST GIFT

James B. Coats

C One day a mother came to a prison G7 To see an erring but precious son She told to warden how much she loved him G7 It did not matter what he had done CHORUS: С She did not bring (bring to him) a parole or pardon (pardon plea) G7 She brought no silver (brought no gold) no pomp or style (for him to see) It was a halo (halo bright) sent down from heaven (heaven's light) G7 C The sweetest gift, a mother's smile C Her boy had wandered far from the farside G7 С Though she had pleaded with him each night But not a word did she ever utter That told her heartache, her smile was bright CHORUS C She left a smile you can remember G7 She's gone to heaven her heartache's free Them walls around you will never change her G7 C He was her baby and e'er will be

## **CHORUS**