

*We're supposed to be close*

*But since March we don't hug*

*Time longer duller*

*Such a different colour*

*We're supposed to be close*

*And be free to to choose*

*But now its all rules*

*And closeness we lose*

*We're supposed to be close*

*Yet we're all in our bubbles*

*We can't breathe the same air*

*The virus might get us*

*We're supposed to be close*

*We're supposed to connect*

*We're wired to be social*

*It helps us relax*

*We're supposed to be close*

*Our nerves are in tatters*

*We need to be close*

*Proximity matters*

*I want to be close*

*To look you in the eye*

*To hold you and feel you*

*I'm not sure quite why*

*I want to be close*

*To connect in this way*

*It really means something*

*I can't keep it at bay!*

*I want to be close*

*To be in your presence*

*To touch you or I fear*

*I'll forget your essence*

*I want to be close*

*We're supposed to be close*

*I'm railing at this*

*I need to release!*

*I want to be close*

*I find closeness anew*

*Like water flowing*

*I find closeness like dew*

*I want to be close*

*Technology helps*

*To keep us together*

*Whatever the weather*

*I want to be close*

*Initiatives arise*

*We reach out to others*

*Good things we surmise*

*I want to be close*

*New life is near*

*In the beauty of nature*

*In the wind that I hear*

*I want to be close*

*Yet I worry what we've done*

*Our planet is crumbling*

*Wild places are tumbling!*

*I want to be close*

*We fell lots of trees*

*We keep pumping out gasses*

*Population amassing*

*I want to be close*

*Yet my heart is free*

*There is so much good*

*Out there for me*

*I want to be close*

*To the life that I've found*

*The beautiful people*

*The gifts that abound*

*I want to be close*

*But as the leaves fall*

*We're told to stay in*

*Its lockdown for all*

*I want to be close*

*But the government said*

*That this is the time*

*We need to toe the line*

*I want to be close*

*People say: what about me?*

*My business is lost!*

*Are the statistics believed?*

*I want to be close*

*No more outside drinks*

*Essential travel only*

*Its very tough me thinks*

*I want to be close*

*But for those who are stressed*

*Whose lives are are so hard*

*I worry what's next*

*I want to be close*

*But things are so bad*

*An unequal society*

*In UK it is mad*

*I want to be close*

*But we all want our say*

*We don't trust what's said*

*We do it our way*

*I want to be close*

*But there is so much around*

*Of twisting and turning*

*Chaos abounds*

*I want to be close*

*But I feel so trapped*

*We are trashing about*

*Our energy is sapped*

*I want to be close*

*But be careful we must*

*For those on the edge*

*The forgotten the lost*

*I want to be close*

*But some fall through the cracks*



*They get a rough deal*

*Overlooked they can feel*

*I want to be close*

*We need a vaccine!*

*Be together again*

*What a wonderful dream*

*I want to be close*

*What's to be learned?*

*We must think of the world*

*When the vaccines unfurled*

*I want to be close*

*I heard a scientist say*

*For each to be safe*

*We are all in the frame*

*I want to be close*

*But the world is divided*

*America is great*

*More hope with Biden*

*I want to be close*

*What a lot of commotion!*

*Trump must concede his defeat*

*And restrain from explosions!*

*I want to be close*

*But there are forces at play*

*To drive us apart*

*To make us afraid*

*I want to be close*

*But the rhetoric is strident*

*Blaming the others*

*Scapegoating the migrant*

*I want to be close*

*Can we come to our senses*

*Can we remember what we know*

*Allow right to guide us?*

*I want to be close*

*I wish that we could*

*Amidst all of the strife*

*Dig deep for the good*

*I want to be close*

*But what do we miss*

*In striving to save*

*Those going to their grave?*

*I want to be close*

*Life is so frail*

*We try to preserve it*

*But maybe we fail*

*I want to be close*

*We get round the rules*

*We think we're exceptions*

*We bend them like fools*

*I want to be close*

*Then those at the top*

*Say some rum things*

*Do great big flip flops*

*I want to be close*

*To trust and be calm*

*When our leaders have integrity*

*For our souls it is balm*

*I want to be close*

*Keep memorial of violence*

*We need to remember*

*But in the Cenotaph there is silence*

*I want to be close*

*I want to find a way*

*To hold to the light*

*Reach out every day*

*I want to be close*

*There are little signs*

*When joy is found*

*And some closeness is mined*

*I want to be close*

*Let these be enough*

*For grace to sustain me*

*When life is rough*

*We're supposed to be close*

*I want to be close*

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