

LESSON SUMMARY

The Christian Life

*A lifelong journey of trusting, following,
and building our lives on Christ.*



“We came together to
break bread and to pray
and sing hymns to God.”

— ACTS 20:7

TODAY'S SONGS



1
**Take My Life
and Let It Be**
(1874)
Victorian &
Gospel Hymns



2
**All the Way
My Savior
Leads Me**
(1875)
Victorian &
Gospel Hymns



3
**Trust and
Obey**
(1887)
Victorian &
Gospel Hymns



4
Step by Step
(1991)
Early
Contemporary
Worship



5
**Sometimes
by Step**
(1992)
Early
Contemporary
Worship



6
**Goodness
of God**
(2018)
Current
Contemporary



7
Build My Life
(2016)
Current
Contemporary



The Christian life is not one moment of faith—
*it is a lifetime of surrender, trust, obedience, gratitude,
and building our lives on Jesus Christ.*





for several years in different
churches, and

Springfield First Worship Leader Interview

John Crist

Sarah Zanotti

Chris Tomlin

Take My Life and Let It Be

1874

FRANCES RIDLEY HAVERGAL

Victorian & Gospel Hymns



FRANCES RIDLEY
HAVERGAL
1874

TEN LIVES
SURRENDERED

ALL TO
HIM

*Take my life
and let it be
Consecrated,
Lord, to Thee.*

A LIFE
DEVOTED

Take My Life and Let It Be

WORDS: FRANCES R. HAVERGAL (1874) | MUSIC: H. A. C. MALAN (1880)



1 | Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 | Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

3 | Take my voice and let me sing
Always, only, for my King;
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.

4 | Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

5 | Take my will and make it Thine,
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

6 | Take my love: my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee.

*"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works,
which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."*

EPHESIANS 2:10

*Not just a song
of worship—
but a prayer
of surrender.*

Take My Life and Let It Be

The Village Chapel, Nashville



Take My Life And Let It Be



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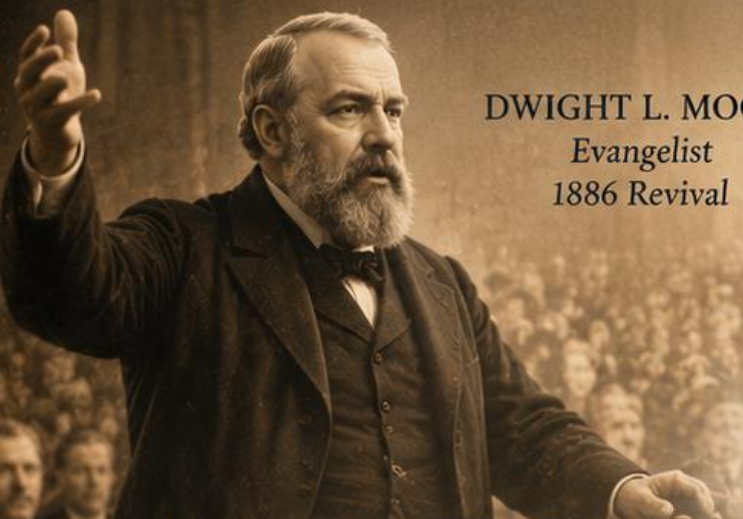
Trust and Obey

— 1887 —

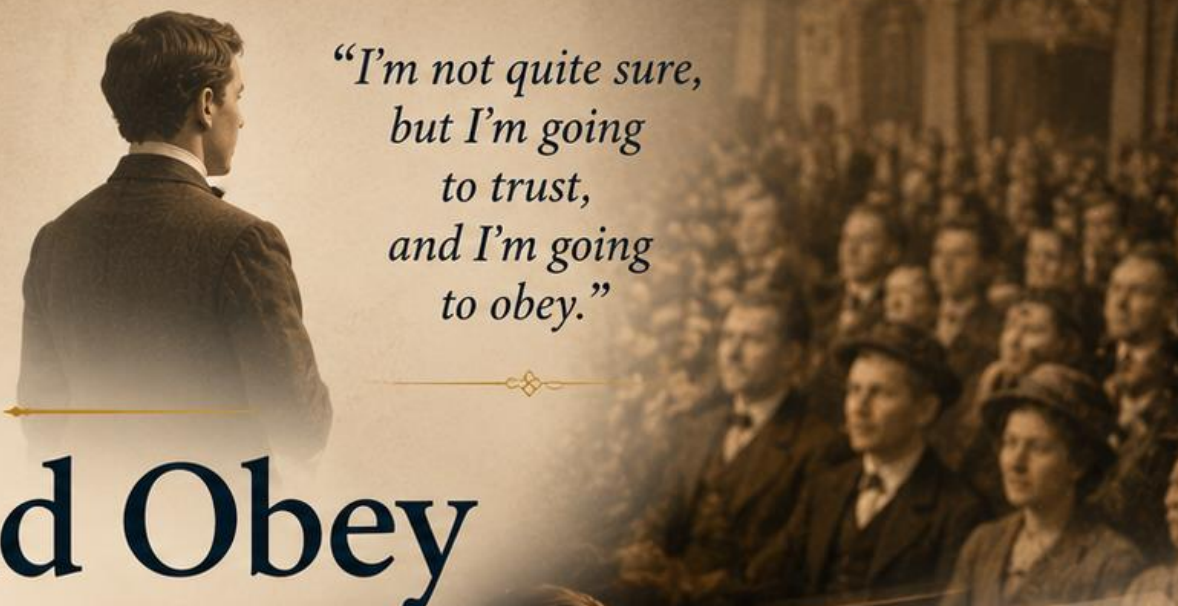
JOHN SAMMIS / DANIEL TOWNER

Victorian & Gospel Hymns





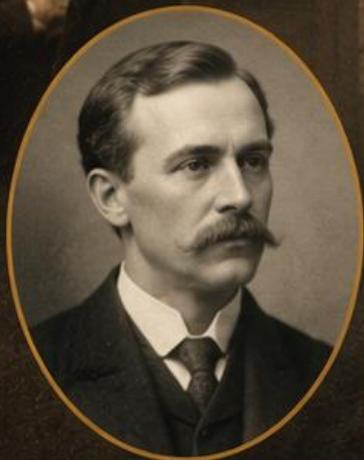
DWIGHT L. MOODY
Evangelist
1886 Revival



*"I'm not quite sure,
but I'm going
to trust,
and I'm going
to obey."*

Trust and Obey

Written from a Testimony.
Born into a Song.



DANIEL B. TOWNER
Wrote the Chorus



JOHN H. SAMMIS
Wrote the Verses



TRUST AND OBEY

Trust and o - bey, for there's no oth-er way
To be hap - py in Je - sus,
But to trust and o - bey.



Trust and obey,
For there's no other way.
To be happy in Jesus,
But to trust and obey.

A SIMPLE SENTENCE.
A LASTING SONG.

Trust and Obey

WORDS: JOHN H. SAMMIS (1887) | MUSIC: DANIEL B. TOWNER (1887)

1

When we walk with the Lord
In the light of His Word,
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will,
He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.

2

Not a burdensome yoke
Is the One we invoke,
For His grace is enough day by day;
But we never can prove
The delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay.

3

But we never can prove
The delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay;
For the favor He shows
And the joy He bestows
Are for them who will trust and obey.

4

Then in fellowship sweet
We will sit at His feet,
Or we'll walk by His side in the way;
What He says we will do,
Where He sends we will go—
Never fear, only trust and obey.

*"Happy are they who hear and obey the word of God,
and keep it."*

LUKE 11:28



Trust and Obey

Calvin Nowell



*All the Way
My Savior Leads Me*

— 1875 —

FANNY CROSBY

Victorian & Gospel Hymns



All the Way My Savior Leads Me

A STORY OF FAITHFUL PROVISION

*"All the way my Savior leads me;
What have I to ask beside?"*

FANNY CROSBY
Blind hymn writer
1820–1915

Music by
ROBERT LOWRY
1851–1899

The same composer of
"Nothing but the Blood"
and "Shall We Gather"
at the River."

ALL THE WAY MY SAVIOR LEADS ME

All the way my Say Savior leads me,
Can I doubt His to ask beside?
Who through life has been my Guide?

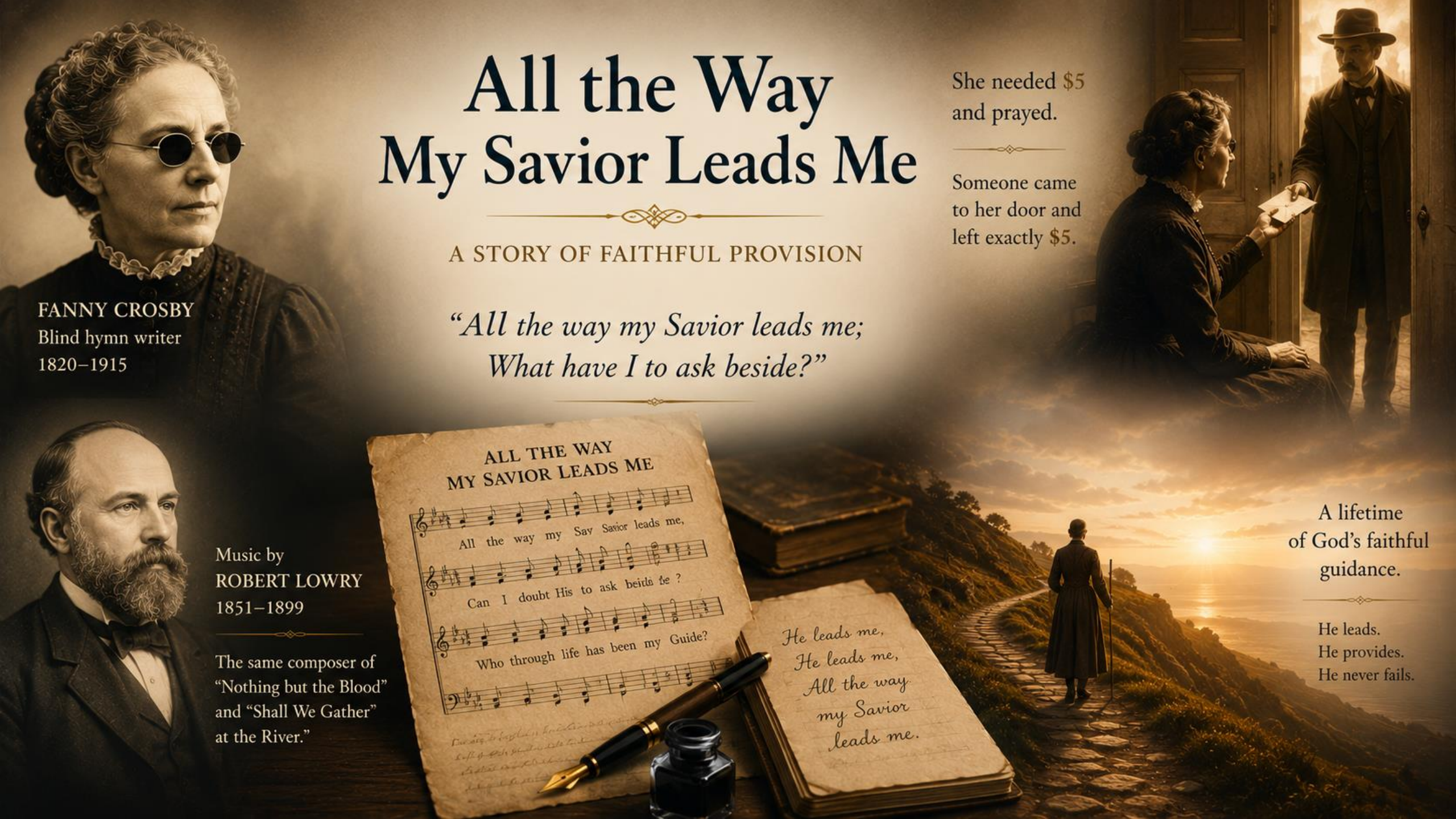
*He leads me,
He leads me,
All the way
my Savior
leads me.*

She needed \$5
and prayed.

Someone came
to her door and
left exactly \$5.

A lifetime
of God's faithful
guidance.

He leads.
He provides.
He never fails.



All the Way My Savior Leads Me

WORDS AND MUSIC: FANNY J. CROSBY (1875)

1

All the way my Savior leads me.
What have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt his tender mercy,
Who thru' life has been my Guide?
Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort,
Here by faith in him to dwell!
For I know, whate'er befall me,
Jesus fashions all things well.

2

All the way my Savior leads me,
Cheers each winding path I tread;
Gives me grace for ev'ry trial,
Feeds me with the living Bread.
Tho' my weary steps may falter,
And my soul athirst may be,
Gushing from the Rock before me,
Lo! A spring of joy I see.

3

All the way my Savior leads me;
Oh, the fullness of His love!
Perfect rest to me is promised
In my Father's house above.
When my spirit, cloth'd immortal,
Wings its flight to realms of day
This my song thru' endless ages:
Jesus led me all the way.



He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

— PSALM 23:3 (NKJV)

THE SAME GOOD SHEPHERD. THE SAME FAITHFUL GUIDE. ALL THE WAY.



All the Way My Savior Leads Me

California Baptist University Choir

3

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Step by Step *to* Sometimes by Step

— TWO SONGS. ONE JOURNEY. A LASTING LEGACY. —

Step by Step

— 1991 —

Written by
David “Beaker” Strasser

Popularized by
Rich Mullins

— ♦ —
Contemporary Worship

Sometimes by Step

— 1992 —

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HOLY
BIBLE

PSALM 63:1

And step by step
You'll lead me,
and I will follow You
all of my days.

SAME TRUTH • DIFFERENT SONGS • ONE FAITHFUL JOURNEY

Two Songs, One Truth

The same theological truth expressed in different ways

STEP BY STEP

David “Beaker” Strauch • 1991



A CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP CHORUS

- Short, simple, Scripture-based
- Easy to learn and repeat
- Designed for corporate worship
- Ideal for singing together
- Used in churches, youth groups, and worship services worldwide



Purpose:

Invites the congregation to trust God and keep following Him one step at a time.

THE CHURCH'S SONG

*One became the church's song.
The other became the artist's testimony.*



Proverbs 3:6
“He will direct your steps.”

SOMETIMES BY STEP

Rich Mullins • 1992



A CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN SONG

- Full verses tell the story of the journey
- Reflective, personal, and devotional
- Written for listening and reflection
- Popular on Christian radio
- One of Rich Mullins' most beloved recordings



Purpose:

Invites the listener to reflect on God's faithfulness through the ups and downs of life.

THE ARTIST'S TESTIMONY

Same chorus. Same truth. Different expressions. Both blessed the church.



Step by Step

"He will direct your steps."

— PROVERBS 3:6

WORDS AND MUSIC: DAVID "BEAKER" STRAUCH (1991)

O God You are my God
And I will ever praise You
O God You are my God
And I will ever praise You
I will seek You in the morning
And I will learn to walk in Your ways
And step by step You'll lead me
And I will follow You all of my days

❖ ONE STEP HE LEADS ME · I WILL FOLLOW HIM · STEP BY STEP ❖

Step By Step

Michael W. Smith

O God You are my God
And I will ever praise You
O God You are my God
And I will ever praise You

I will seek You in the morning
And I will learn to walk in Your
ways
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days



Oh God You are my God

Sometimes by Step

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE: HONEST, REAL, AND STILL FOLLOWING

THE IDEAL: STEP BY STEP

(BEAKER / PSALM 63)



"You, God, are my God,
earnestly I seek You;
I will seek You early and
I will learn Your ways."

– Psalm 63:1

- ✓ A prayer of devotion
- ✓ A desire to seek God daily
- ✓ A commitment to be taught and led by Him
- ✓ A resolve to follow all of our days



FOLLOWING JESUS IS NOT ABOUT PERFECTION—
IT'S ABOUT DIRECTION.
WE KEEP TURNING OUR STEPS TOWARD HIM.



THE REALITY: SOMETIMES BY STEP

(RICH MULLINS)

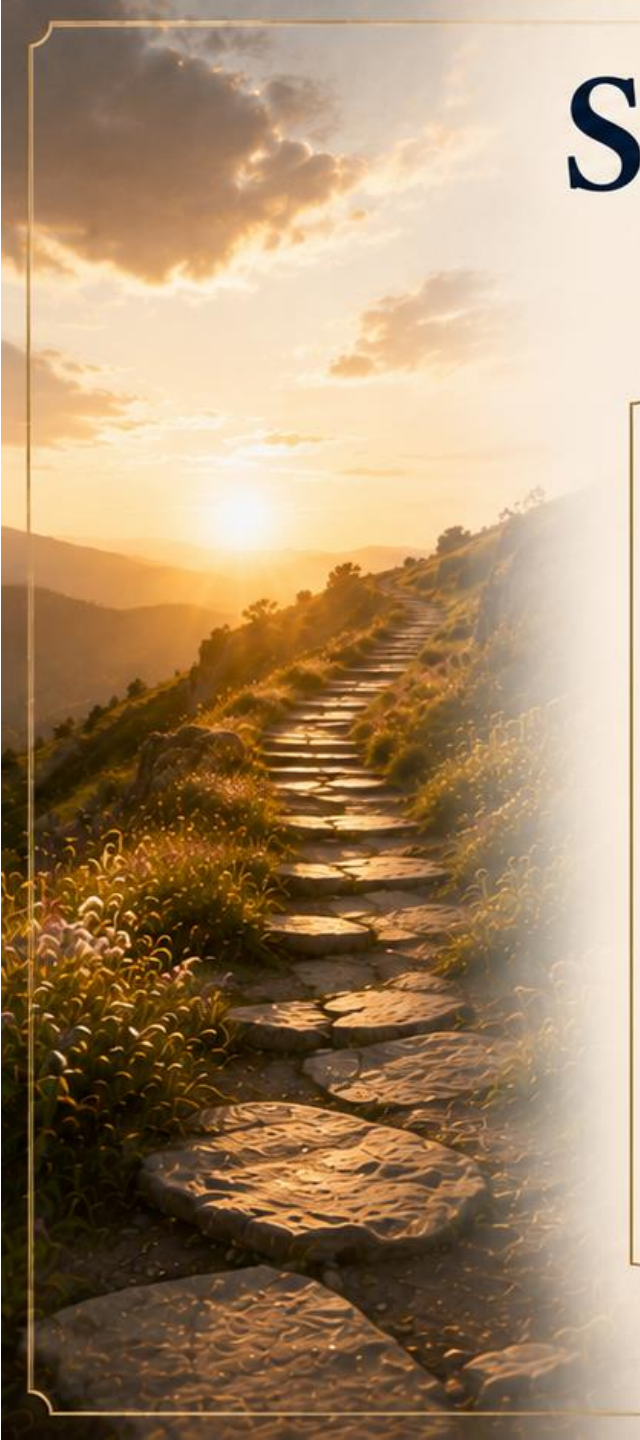


"I know I need to seek You.
I want to follow Your leading.
But I'm not always faithful.
I get weary. I get distracted.
I don't always trust."

- ✗ We don't always walk steadily.
- ✗ We stumble. We hesitate.
We take detours.
- ✗ Yet God remains faithful.
- ✗ We keep turning our steps
back toward Him.

THE CHORUS:
"And I will
follow You
all of my days."

"Direct my steps by Your word, and let no iniquity have dominion over me." – Psalm 119:133

A stone path leads up a hill towards a sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm, golden glow over the scene. The path is made of flat stones and is flanked by green grass and small white flowers. The sky is filled with soft, orange and yellow clouds.

Sometimes by Step

"He will direct your steps."

— PROVERBS 3:6

WORDS AND MUSIC: RICH MULLINS (1992)

Sometimes the night was beautiful
Sometimes the sky was so far away
Sometimes it seemed to stoop so close
You could touch it but your heart would break
Sometimes the morning came too soon
Sometimes the day could be so hot
There was so much work left to do
But so much You'd already done

❖ ONE STEP HE LEADS ME · I WILL FOLLOW HIM · STEP BY STEP ❖



Sometimes by Step

“He will direct your steps.”

— PROVERBS 3:6

WORDS AND MUSIC: RICH MULLINS (1992)

Sometimes I think of Abraham
How one star he saw had been lit for me
He was a stranger in this land
And I am that, no less than he
And on this road to righteousness
Sometimes the climb can be so steep
I may falter in my steps
But never beyond Your reach

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Sometimes By Step

Rich Mullins

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O God, You are my God
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And I will ever praise You
And I will seek You in the morning
And I will learn to walk in Your ways
And step by step You'll lead me
And I will follow You all of my days



Build My Life



— 2016 —



PAT BARRETT ET AL.
/ PASSION MUSIC

Current Contemporary



I will build
my life upon
Your love, it is
a firm foundation.



THE WRITERS

Written in 2016 by a team of
worship leaders and songwriters.



PAT
BARRETT



KARL
MARTIN



KIRBY
KAPLE



MATT
REDMAN



BRETT
YOUNKER

Build My Life

A SONG OF SURRENDER.
A LIFE BUILT ON JESUS

The writers wanted more than a worship moment—
they wanted a commitment.
A decision to build our lives on what lasts.

*"I will build my life
upon Your love."*

BUILT ON HIS WORD

"Everyone who hears these words of mine
and puts them into practice is like a wise man
who built his house on the rock."

MATTHEW 7:24-25

THE ORIGIN

A desire to ask the deepest question:
What are you building
your life upon?



Not just hearing
His words...



But building
on them.

WHY IT RESONATES



It is both a song of worship
and a prayer of commitment.



It calls believers from emotion
to intentional discipleship.



It challenges us:
What are we building on?

I WILL BUILD MY LIFE
UPON YOUR LOVE
IT IS A FIRM FOUNDATION

PAUL'S STORY IN ACTS

One day of conversion.
Thirty years of building.

*Church by church. Disciple by disciple.
Journey by journey.*



Establishing
Churches



Making
Disciples



Writing
Letters



Enduring
Trials



Proclaiming
the Gospel

OUR RESPONSE

The Christian life isn't just a moment.
It's a lifetime of building
on Jesus—one faithful
decision at a time.

SURRENDER IS THE START. BUILDING IS THE JOURNEY. ♦ JESUS IS THE FOUNDATION. ♦ HE IS WORTHY.



Build My Life

*"Whoever hears these words of mine
and puts them into practice
is like a wise man who built his house
on the rock."*

— MATTHEW 7:24

WORDS AND MUSIC:

PAT BARRETT, BRETT YOUNKER, KARL MARTIN, KIRBY KAPLE & MATT REDMAN (2016)

Worthy of every song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for You.

Jesus, the Name above every other name
Jesus, the only One who could ever save
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, we live for You

✿ JESUS, YOU WON'T LET GO • YOUR PROMISES NEVER FAIL • I WILL PUT MY TRUST IN YOU ALONE ✿



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Holy, there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder
And show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

And I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
And I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

Build My Life

Housefires, featuring Pat Barrett

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Worthy of every breath we could ever
breathe
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Goodness of God



2018

WRITTEN BY:
JENN JOHNSON
BETHEL MUSIC

Current Contemporary



Jenn Johnson





Goodness of God

*“He is good, and His love
endures forever.”*

— PSALM 100:5

WORDS AND MUSIC: JENN JOHNSON, JASON INGRAM, BEN FIELDING, BRIAN JOHNSON (2018)

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
Oh I will sing of the goodness of God

Cause all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh I will sing of the goodness of God

✿ ALL MY LIFE YOU HAVE BEEN FAITHFUL • ALL MY LIFE YOU HAVE BEEN SO, SO GOOD ✿



Goodness of God

*"He is good, and His love
endures forever."*

— PSALM 100:5

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I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night You are close like no other
I've known You as a Father
I've known You as a Friend
And I have lived in the goodness of God

Your goodness is running after it's running after me
With my life laid down I surrender now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after it running after me

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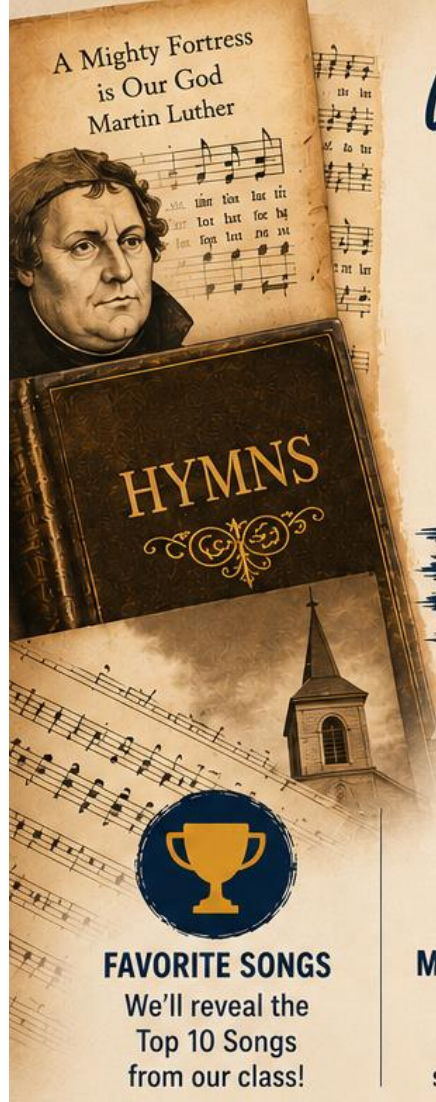
CeCe Winans

A person is seated at a grand piano in a large, dimly lit hall with high ceilings and large arched windows. The scene is captured in a sepia or brownish tone, creating a warm and intimate atmosphere. The piano is positioned in the center of the frame, and the person is seen from the side, focused on playing. The windows in the background are tall and narrow, with decorative panes. The floor is highly reflective, showing the silhouette of the piano and the player.

GOODNESS OF GOD

CECE WINANS

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We've sung it.  We've learned it.

NOW YOU CAN

Share It!

Please take a few minutes to complete the
Songs That Shaped Our Faith Survey!

★
YOUR RESPONSES
WILL HELP US
CELEBRATE WHAT
WE'VE LEARNED
TOGETHER!



You'll help us discover together:



FAVORITE SONGS

We'll reveal the
Top 10 Songs
from our class!



**MOST IMPACTFUL
TOPICS**

Which themes
spoke to us most?



FAVORITE ERAS

Which era of music
resonated most
with you?



MEMORABLE STORIES

The backstories
we won't forget.



KEY TAKEAWAYS

How this series has
shaped our faith.



A LINK TO THE SURVEY WILL BE
IN **LINDA'S WEEKLY EMAIL** THIS WEEK.



Keep an eye out and share your thoughts!

*Quick!
Easy!
Just a few
minutes!*

WE'LL SHARE THE RESULTS

in our final class!



TOP SONGS
COUNTDOWN



FAVORITE
TOPICS



BIGGEST
TAKEAWAYS



WHAT MADE
THIS SERIES
MEANINGFUL

Your voice helps tell our story! 

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