### Plano December 13, 2015 Redemption | CCLI #

Pre-Service	
5:00	Sound Check 1:30 p.m.
60:00	Music Run-Through 1:35 p.m.
5:00	Production Meeting Prayer 2:35 p.m. A timely service guide run down and Prayer.
15:00	Pre-service Music & Power Point 2:45 p.m. A LIVELY Playlist from Computer & Power Point from DropBox
5:00	5 Minute Countdown 2:55 P.M. Via Easy Worship
Service	
5:00	Jesus Messiah B Default Arrangement at 89bpm
1:00	Greeting - Hit the 3 points
0:00	Love Came Down G Default Arrangement
5:00	How He Loves E Default Arrangement
3:00	Away in a Manger E 4/4 Time
2:00	Scripture Reading
2:00	Offering
35:00	Message -
7:00	Altar
1:00	Service Close We do three things when we come and three things when we go. >Connect with God >Connect With other believers >Connect people to the love of Jesus #1 Goal Youth #2 Connect Group
Post Service	
10:00	Post-Service Music

### Jesus Messiah

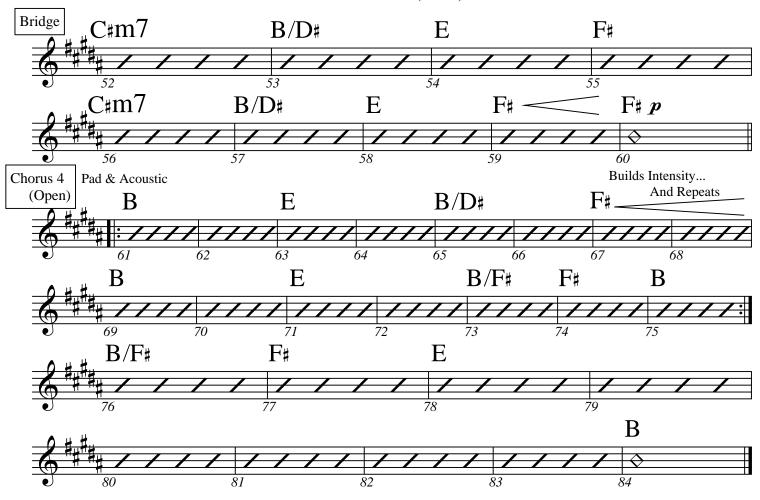
Contemporary Rock  $\bullet = 100$ 

**Chris Tomlin** 



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Jesus Messiah (2 of 2)



### Love Came Down

*Words and Music by* **Brian Johnson**, **Jenn Johnson**, **Jeremy Riddle**, **Ian McIntosh and Jeremy Edwardson** 

Verse 1 С If my heart is overwhelmed Em7 D And I cannot hear Your voice С I'll hold on to what is true G D Though I cannot see С If the storms of life they come Em7 D And the road ahead gets steep С I will lift these hands in faith G D will believe Pre-Chorus Am7 G/B D I re-mind myself of all that You've done Am7 G/B С And the life I have be-cause of Your Son Chorus G Love came down and rescued me С Love came down and set me free Em7 D С I am for - ever Yours And I am Yours G Mountain high or valley low С Em7 I sing out remind my soul that I am Yours D С I am for - ever Yours

Instrumental C Em7 D C Em7 D Verse 2 С When my heart is filled with hope Em7 D And every promise comes my way С When I feel Your hands of grace G D Rest up - on me С Staying desperate for You God Em7 D Staying humbled at Your feet С I will lift these hands and praise G D I will believe

Bridge G С 'Cause I am Yours and I am Yours Em7 С D For all my days Jesus I am Yours G С And I am Yours and I am Yours Em7 D С For all my days Jesus I am Yours

EndingGC(Oh) I am YoursI am YoursEm7DCAll my daysJesus I am Yours

#### Love Came Down (If My Heart Is Overwhelmed)

By: Brian and Jenn Johnson, Jeremy Riddle, Ian Mcintosh , and Jeremy Edwardson Cappo:  $4^{th}$  fret

Cmai7 Em D If my heart is overwhelmed and I cannot hear Your voice Cmaj7 G D/F# I'll hold on to what is true though I cannot see Cmaj7 Em D If the storms of life they come and the road ahead gets steep Cmai7 D/F# G I will lift these hands in faith I will believe

#### **Pre chorus:**

 $\begin{array}{ccc} Am7 & G/B & D\\ I \text{ remind myself of all that You've done}\\ Am7 & G/B & C\\ And the life I have because Your Son\\ \end{array}$ 

#### **Chorus:**

G Love came down and rescued me Cmai7 Love came down and set me free Em D C I am Yours I am forever Yours G Mountain high or valley low Cmaj7 I sing out remind my soul Em D С I am Yours I am forever Yours

#### vs: 2

When my heart is filled with hope and every promise comes my way When I feel Your hands of grace rest upon me Staying desperate for You God, Staying humbled at Your feet I will lift these hands and praise I will believe

#### Tag:

G/B Cmaj7 Em D C I am Yours, I am Yours, all my days, I am Yours

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### How He Loves [G, 90 bpm]

John Mark McMillian

Intro, V, PC, Vamp, C, V, C, Outro, flow

#### VERSE 1

G He is jealous for me Em Loves like a hurricane, I am a tree D Bending beneath the weight С Of His wind and mercy G All of a sudden I am unaware of Em These afflictions eclipsed by glory D And I realize just how beautiful You are С And how great Your affections are for me

#### PreChorus

G G2/E Oh, how He loves us so D Oh, how He loves us C2 How He loves us so

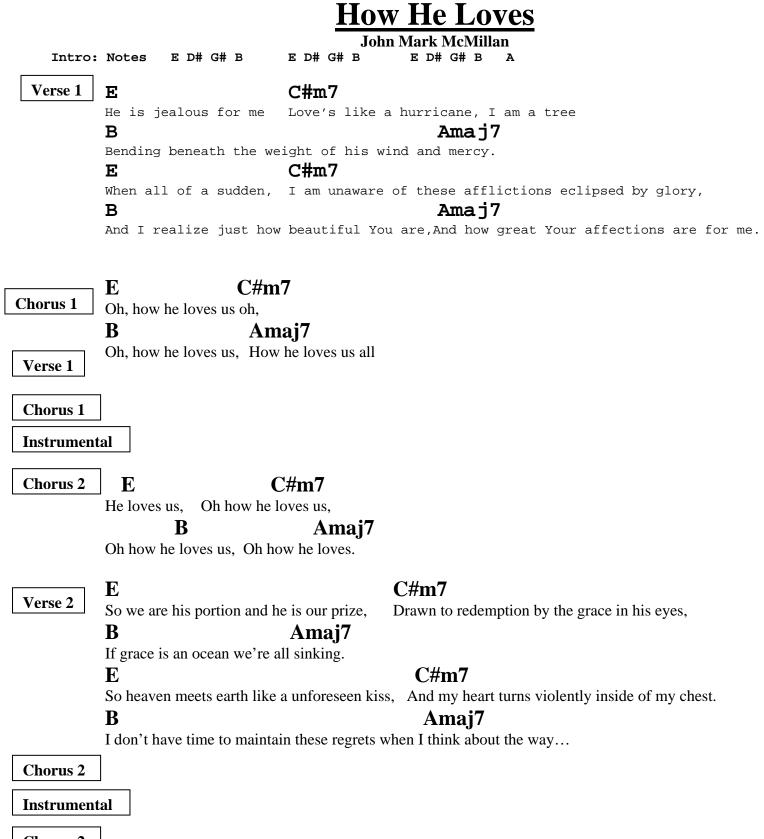
#### GCDC

Chorus G Em Yeah He loves us, Oh how He loves us G/D C

Oh how He loves us, Oh how He loves

#### VERSE 2

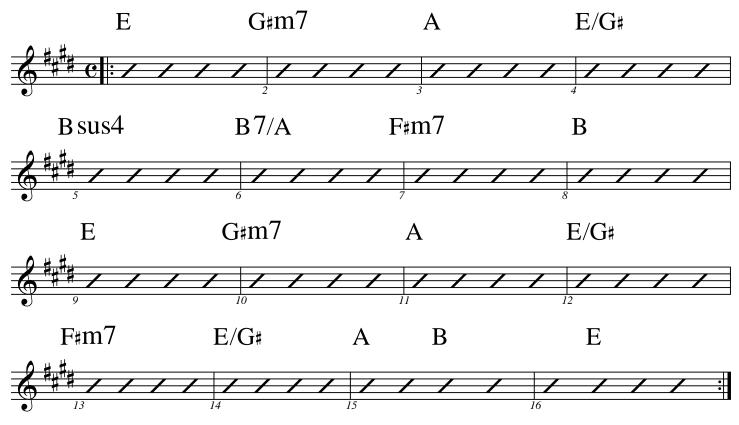
G We are His portion and He is our prize Em Drawn to redemption by the grace in His eyes D C If His grace is an ocean we're all sinking G And heaven meets earth like a sloppy wet kiss Em And my heart turns violently inside of my chest D I don't have time to maintain these regrets C When I think about the way



Chorus 2

### Away in a Manger

Contemporary Hymn



Away in a manger, No crib for His bed The little Lord Jesus Laid down His sweet head The stars in the sky Looked down where He lay The little Lord Jesus Asleep on the hay The cattle are lowing The Baby wakes But little Lord Jesus No crying He makes I love Thee, Lord Jesus Look down from the sky And stay by my cradle, 'Til morning is nigh. Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay

Close by me forever And love me I pray

Bless all the dear children In Thy tender care

And take us to heaven To live with Thee there

### Before Christ 1 – Christmas Prequel

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Welcome back to the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of our Before Christ Series! My name is Chris Fluitt and I serve as Lead Pastor here at Redemption Church.

Quick review

Everyone has a prequel that reveals the full story. We celebrate the birth of Christ but may not know the story before the story.

The Christmas story is all about the **Incarnation**.

The incarnation is God in a Bod.. Jesus is God clothed in flesh.

### When did God decide to incarnate?

We know that Jesus rescues us from the law of sin and death but the decision to incarnate was not in response to mankind's fall into sin.

The Incarnation was God's plan from the beginning.

This week we are going to answer Why did God

incarnate?

We received some great feedback from our anonymous **text** line this past week. 214 856 0550

One of the questions we received was about Revelation 13:8.

### Revelation 13:8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.(KJV)

If Jesus was slain from the foundation of the earth doesn't that mean that Christ was predestined to die for our sin. That question was well timed! That is what we are talking about today.

Let's dive into that question! History tells us that Christ died around 30-33AD. This is the date he was physically slain on the cross. But does this contradict Revelation 13:8 where it says He was slain from the foundation of the earth?

I think we can agree that what Revelation 13:8 is referring to is the plan that we talked about last week. Remember John 1:1 – In the beginning was the WORD.. The word for WORD there is LOGOS which is means Logic or PLAN.

From the foundation of the Earth God had the LOGOS PLAN to incarnate and to have relationship with mankind. Included in that plan was the extent God would go to have relationship with mankind. Being slain on the cross repaired our relationship with God. Revelation 13:8 reveals the extent God would go in His plan to have a face to face incarnate relationship with man.

The Incarnation is not a whimsical plan that was not completely thought out.

### COUNT THE COST

Jesus the creator of the universe offers a parable as a question.

Luke 14:28 "Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Will he not first sit down and estimate the cost to see if he has enough money to complete it?(NIV)

Luke 14:29 For if he lays the foundation and is not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule him,(NIV)

# Luke 14:30 saying, `This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.'(NIV)

Jesus makes the point that if we are to make a decision we must count the cost before we begin.

The creator stood before the foundation of the world and counted the cost. Part of that cost was the cross. Before the foundation God weighed the cost of incarnating and being crucified.

God was able to see the need of the cross without predestinating the fall of man. This possible because God has **foreknowledge**.

The Bible in several passages speaks about God's foreknowledge. (Isaiah 42:9, Acts 2:23, 1 Peter 1:20...)

What is foreknowledge? Most people would say It is God's ability to see what will happen. But foreknowledge is bigger than that. God's foreknowledge doesn't just see what will happen but also sees everything that could happen.

There is a Nicolas Cage movie that called NEXT that I think illustrates foreknowledge fairly well. It is not a great movie and has a terrible ending.. but I think it does this one thing well.

Nic Cage plays this character that is able to tell the future by stepping out of time and living out future choices. In one scene he is trying to defeat terrorists and rescue hostages. He steps out of time and travels into the building and goes down the first hall but is shot... so he starts over and skips that hall way the next time and through trial and error he attempts to defeat the terrorists and save the hostages. He creates all these alternate attempts and then chooses the most successful attempt. He then steps back into time and says "follow me. I know the best path to take."

This is like foreknowledge. God not only knows what will happen. God knows everything that could happen. He travels down all these different time streams of your life.

Through foreknowledge God is exposed to the best and worst about you. Just like Nic Cage traveled through different choices and outcomes, God has traveled down the different avenues of your life, heart, & mind.

There is an alternate reality of Chris Fluitt where he didn't make as good of decisions and became a drug dealer.. or an abusive husband.. or denied God and cursed His name. God in His foreknowledge experienced the worst about me... you... and all of humanity. (His intellect is that big!)

Then God steps back to Genesis 1 and weighs all that He knows about us. He weighs the best & worst about us.. He counts the cost and still decides to incarnate... to live with us even though the worst could happen.

This is not different than a man & woman standing at a marriage altar and being asked "do you take this person for better or worse." In that moment you are to count the cost and decide if you will take this person even if the worst comes to pass.

God made this choice in the beginning. He had foreknowledge of just how far we could fall.. how cruel we could become.. how we could reject Him.. yet he still said yes. This is great news. This means God has already seen you at your worst and said "Yes." You have never surprised God. You have never God off God's grid. You have never reached that place where you have gone too far that He stops loving you. You have never sinned so grossly that He no longer will receive you in repentance.

We make the mistake of think... "It's too late. God will never take me back." God has already counted the cost. He has already said YES! It was His incarnate plan from the beginning.

But why? Why did God incarnate?

The answer is Love.

Love is not just something God does. Your Bible tells us that Love is WHO HE IS.

<u>1 John 4:16 And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him.(NIV)</u>

His love is so deep he was willing to suffer the most cruel death at our own hands. In His foreknowledge he hand selected the most cruel death – crucifixion – and decided that a relationship with you was worth the worst death imaginable.

It is an unconditional love. The love God had for Adam & Eve was the same before the fall as it is after the fall into sin. God counted the cost and loves you equally at your best and your worst.

It is a self-sacrificing love.

<u>Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer</u> <u>live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by</u> <u>faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for</u> <u>me.(NIV)</u> Jesus did not come to reveal the holiness of God. Jesus did not come to reveal the law of God. Both of those are in Him, but they are not the reason He came. Jesus came to reveal the LOVE OF GOD.

John 14:20 On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.(NIV)