GREAT LOVE XLIX

LOVE SO MIGHTY AND SO TRUE

In our beautiful hymn “Love lifted me”, there is a line that is very powerful, “love so mighty and so true merits my soul’s best songs, faithful, loving service, too, to Him belongs.” It took this “love so mighty” to purchase my pardon on Calvary’s Cross. Who would want to live for me, much less, die for me? The greatest gift ever given to me was this love so mighty and so true. God looked down in pity, mercy and grace and poured out his love on me, in and through his Son, Christ Jesus. My sins were innumerable. Outside of God’s Son my pardon was unattainable. It took this love so mighty to ever bring about the righteousness that I needed. Without this goodness that only God could provide, I would never gain an entrance into Heaven. “I was sinking deep in sin.” My position was “far from the peaceful shore.” My problem was that I “was sinking, to rise no more.” If ever a young man needed this love so mighty, it was me! I needed a hand that was mighty, firm and dependable. The hand of God was extended to me in mercy. Finally, one night I reached out my little hand and placed it in his great big hand and “love lifted me”!!!!

This love merits my soul’s best songs. “I’m saved, I’m saved, there’s no doubt about it! He lives in my heart and I’m gonna shout it!” “Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!” “Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, sweetest name I know; fills my every longing, keeps me singing as I go.” “Love lifted me, love lifted me. When nothing else could help, love lifted me!”

I want to serve you Lord, not to earn or even repay your love because I know there is nothing that I could ever do that could possibly put a dent in my debt to you. I want to serve you because I love you. May every step I take be filled with gratitude to you? I am so privileged to be a recipient of your “love so mighty and so true.” My soul will ever praise you!

Yours in Christ,

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