

Does Jesus Care?

Frank Graeff, early 1900's lost parents and several sisters
1 Pt 5:7 Cast cares on Lord, he cares for you

Lyrics of song

(1) Does Jesus care when my heart is pained
Too deeply for mirth and song-
As the burdens press, and the cares distress,
And the way grows weary and long?
CHORUS: O yes, He care- I know He cares!
His heart is touched with my grief;
When the days are weary, the long nights dreary,
I know my Savior cares.
(2) Does Jesus care when my way is dark
With a nameless dread and fear?
As the daylight fades into deep night shades,
Does He care enough to be near?
(3) Does Jesus care when I've tried and failed
To resist some temptation strong?
When for my deep grief I find no relief,
Tho my tears flow all the night long?
(4) Does Jesus care when I've said good-bye
To the dearest on earth to me,
And my sad heart aches till it nearly breaks-
Is it aught to Him? does He see?

Jesus understands and stands with us.

Jesus

Rather common name in Bible times (O T equivalent to Joshua)
10 people in Old Testament had it
At least three in NT
But he gives depth and dimension to the name.

He did not come to save from affliction (great physician)
He did not come as a political king (king of kings)
He came to save us from ourselves.

His purpose in Early life, Mt. 1:21

In middle life, Luke 19:10

End of life

1 John 4:14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent
the Son as Savior of the world

Let's appreciate Jesus even more.

1. He understands us
He knows what it means to be you
Heb. 2:6-10, 1 John 1:1-4, John 1:14

He became flesh, Romans 1:3

Manifested in the flesh

What it feels to cry, be rejected, blasphemed, be hungry, thirsty

Heb 12:3, Hebrews 13:3

Samaritan woman, illegitimate, demon possessed.

Learn from me for I am meek and lowly in heart

Philippians 2:5

He chose common men, laborers, outcasts to be his friends.

2. Jesus stands with us

Heb. 9:24

Jesus appears before the face of God for us.

Standing in front of God. Not just sitting at right hand, Hebrews 3

I will not leave or forsake you

Heb. 2:14

He stands with us while we are dying

Hebrews 2:17-18

3. Application

Jesus has been there

Tasted death at 33

Had friends who died

Was tempted as we are yet without sin

The great test is can you overcome yourself?

Yes Satan tempts but he doesn't control

Yes others influence

But you make the decision: self or God