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# Musical Worship

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come back, back to your first love  
back to your first love  
back to the cross. (Parachute Band, Living Rain)

"I know your works, your labor, your patience, and that you cannot bear those who are evil. And you have tested those who say they are apostles and are not, and have found them liars; and you have persevered and have patience, and have labored for My name's sake and have not become weary. Nevertheless, I have this against you, that you have left your first love." (Rev 2:2-4)

what if we reminded ourselves of what has been done for us?

"And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, in which you once walked to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience...

... But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespass made us alive together with Christ, and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them." (Eph 2:1-2, 4-10)

what if we allowed the Gospel to change us day by day?



what if we reminded ourselves of what has been done for us? where we have come from?  
and where we are going?

how differently would we live life?

how differently would we approach those we encounter?

how differently would we see ourselves?

how differently would we be if Christ was our first love?

how different would our songs be if we were truly in love with Christ as deeply as we  
claim? as we want others to think?

Christ has extended to us an invitation: to first and foremost love Him, and love others  
through that Love. To remember where we have come from, who we once were. To rejoice  
in where He has brought us and where He will bring us. The Gospel demands that we live  
in the shadow of the cross, but walk towards the light of resurrection.

If all our singspiration were filled with this Love, how beautiful our praise would be to the  
ears that hear it!

If our lives were filled with this Love, how beautiful would our lips and feet be to those  
whom we converse with, walk with.

Join me as we break bread together, live life together, sing together, play together; as we  
discover and rediscover this Love that enthralled us and is enthralled by us. As we return  
to our First Love and find joy, rest, healing, and restoration.