#### Good Good Father

#### Verse 1

I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone

#### Chorus

You're a Good Good Father It's who You are It's who You are It's who You are And I'm loved by You It's who I am It's who I am It's who I am

#### Verse 2

I've seen many searching for answers
Far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers
Only You provide
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word

#### Bridge

You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

#### Verse 3

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still
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Into love love love

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#### Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)

#### Verse 1

All these pieces

Broken and scattered

In mercy gathered

Mended and whole

Empty handed

But not forsaken

I've been set free

I've been set free

#### Pre-Chorus

Amazing grace

How sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me

Oh I once was lost

But now I am found

Was blind but now I see

#### Chorus

Oh I can see You now
Oh I can see the love in Your eyes
Laying Yourself down
Raising up the broken to life

#### Verse 2

You take our failure

You take our weakness

You set Your treasure

In jars of clay

So take this heart Lord

I'll be Your vessel

The world to see Your life in me

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# Dedicated to Pursuing and Sharing God's Truth



## 1 Corinthians 12:30-31

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- Not limited to death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus
- Division, not elevating human leaders, loving each other

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# Whatever Your Gifts – Strive to Build Up the Church



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## Whatever Our Gifts...

- Service
- Administration
- Healing
- Teaching
- Craftsmanship
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# Verse 22

- Thus, in a similar way
- An unintelligible language is **NOT** the sign of God's presence/pleasure
- Though it may be in Pagan worship
- God's clear truth being spoken is the sign

Thus (unintelligible) tongues are a sign (of God's presence/pleasure) not for believers but (they often are) for unbelievers, while prophecy (speaking God's truth) is a sign (of God's presence) not for (among) unbelievers but for believers.



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# Desire more of God's clear truth



- <sup>1</sup> Pursue love, and <u>earnestly desire the</u> <u>spiritual gifts</u>, especially that you may prophesy...
- Earnestly desire a greater connection to God through the gifts of His Holy Spirit that we might be encouraged, consoled, and built up

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# **Let's Pray For It**



- <sup>1</sup> Pursue love, and earnestly desire the spiritual gifts, <u>especially that you may prophesy</u>...
- Especially the gift of expressing God's truth in words for the benefit of others
- Not just as church a role, a lifestyle
- An expression of Chapter 13 Love



# **Let's Pray For It**



#### King Of My Heart

#### Verse 1

Let the King of my heart
Be the mountain where I run
The fountain I drink from
Oh He is my song
Let the King of my heart
Be the shadow where I hide
The ransom for my life
Oh He is my song

#### Chorus

You are good good oh You are good good oh You are good good oh You are good good oh

#### Verse 2

Let the King of my heart
Be the wind inside my sails
The anchor in the waves
Oh He is my song
Let the King of my heart
Be the fire inside my veins
The echo of my days
Oh He is my song

#### Bridge

You're never gonna let
Never gonna let me down
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#### Ending

When the night is holding on to me God is holding on When the night is holding on to me God is holding on

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#### **Reckless Love**

#### Verse 1

Before I spoke a word You were singing over me You have been so so good to me Before I took a breath You breathed Your life in me You have been so so kind to me

#### Chorus

(And) O the overwhelming never-ending reckless
Love of God
O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found
Leaves the ninety-nine
I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it
Still You give Yourself away
O the overwhelming never-ending reckless
Love of God yeah

#### Verse 2

When I was Your foe still Your love fought for me You have been so so good to me When I felt no worth You paid it all for me You have been so so kind to me

#### Bridge

There's no shadow You won't light up
Mountain You won't climb up
Coming after me
There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down
Coming after me

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