

## Quiet Moments with God

Allow these Quiet Moments to draw you into a period of rest and reflection in the company of the Lord. Open your heart; listen...

### First Came Love

[Love Moved First. Casting Crowns](#) (Click to open link) (Lyrics on page 2)

\*Meditation:

*There is ... a love that creates value in what is loved.  
There is a love that turns rag dolls into priceless treasures.  
There is a love that fastens itself onto ragged little creatures,  
for reasons that no one could ever quite figure out,  
and makes them precious and valued beyond calculation.*

*This is the love of God.*

*This is the love with which God loves you and me.*

*John Ortberg. Life Changing Love.*

\*Pray for the grace to accept this priceless gift

[O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus. Sheila Walsh](#) (Click to open link) (Lyrics on page 3)

*This is how God showed his love for us:  
God sent his only Son into the world so we might live through him.  
This is the kind of love we are talking about—not that we once  
upon a time loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a  
sacrifice to clear away our sins and the damage they've done to our  
relationship with God.*

*1 John 4:9-10*

# Love Moved First

Casting Crowns

This is the story of a runaway  
With no way home and no way out  
I threw the best of me away  
I had my chance, it's too late now  
Too far gone and too ashamed  
To think that you'd still know my name  
But love refused to let my story end that way

You didn't wait for me to find my way to You  
I couldn't cross that distance even if I wanted to  
You came running after me  
When anybody else would've turned and left me at my worst  
Love moved first

What kind of grace, relentless grace  
Would chase this rebel down  
Crawl into this prisoners cage  
Take my hand and pull me out  
You knew I couldn't make the change  
So You became the change in me  
And now I live to tell the story  
Of the God who rescues

You didn't wait for me to find my way to You  
I couldn't cross that distance even if I wanted to  
You came running after me  
When anybody else would've turned and left me at my worst  
Love moved first

From the throne to the manger  
From a manger to the grave  
Your cross is the proof  
Love made the first move  
From a grave meant to keep You  
To a stone rolled away  
Your cross is the proof  
Love made the first move

I remember where You found me  
I'm amazed by where I stand  
Your cross is the proof  
That love made the first move

You didn't wait for me to find my way to You  
I couldn't cross that distance even if I wanted to  
You came running after me  
When anybody else would've turned and left me at my worst  
Love moved first

Oh-oh, oh-oh  
Love moved first

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## O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Sheila Walsh

1 O the deep, deep love of Jesus!  
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free,  
rolling as a mighty ocean  
in its fullness over me.  
Underneath me, all around me,  
is the current of Thy love;  
leading onward, leading homeward,  
to Thy glorious rest above.

2 O the deep, deep love of Jesus!  
Spread His praise from shore to shore;  
how He loveth, ever loveth,  
changeth never, nevermore;  
how He watches o'er His loved ones,  
died to call them all His own;  
how for them He intercedeth,  
watcheth o'er them from the throne.

3 O the deep, deep love of Jesus!  
Love of ev'ry love the best:  
'tis an ocean vast of blessing,  
'tis a haven sweet of rest.  
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!  
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;  
and it lifts me up to glory,  
for it lifts me up to Thee.

Samuel Trevor Francis (1834–1925)

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