

#ButGod The REAL Conference 2018

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We live in a sin-sick world.
The evidence is all around.
Truth and Joy are harder to be found.
We feel it in our bones.
We groan and sigh and moan.
Why am I here?
What is my purpose?
Yet like a present that remains
Unopened in a dark corner of the room
We forget that there is One
Who loves us more than we can fathom.
Who has a plan that isn't random.
Who is closer than our breath.
We just need to call His Name "Jesus!" and He is there.

But... "God helps those who help themselves!"
Right? Wrong! That is a fallacy.
A lie straight from the enemy.

**If we could make ourselves clean,
Then what did Jesus' death mean?**

The truth is we need a Savior.
Someone to remedy our sin-sick behavior.
We need a fresh start. Truth?
We need a **new** heart.

Jesus is our Great Physician.
He came to change our heart condition.
Although He can do anything,
He can't heal that to which we cling.
Sin. Pain. Disease. Dis – ease.
Anger, bitterness, resentment.
Jealousy, rage and greed.
Striving for things we don't even need!
Refusing to forgive and yet in chains we live.
Hiding inside what needs to be brought to His Light.
Why won't God just take it all away????!!!

Hmm... have you tried to give it to Him? How about today?
Today is the day to get rid of the mess.
He's ready to take it. Willing to bless.
But it starts with a death.
Death to sin, death to my selfish ways.
Death to thinking I've got what it takes.
I don't. He does.
I can't. He can.
Jesus show me your plan!
I'm sick of my sin, Lord, I give it to You!!!

"Rest in Me, child. Now I'll show you what I can do!"