

I Love to Tell the Story

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and he who wins souls is wise. – Proverbs 11:30

The “story” that the hymn writer was referring to was the message of the Gospel. Gospel means “Good News.” It is the good news about God’s love for us and the wonderful things He has done for us.

What does Romans 1:16 say the Gospel is to everyone who believes?

GOD'S LOVE

What is the one word in John 3:16 that describes why God sent His Son for you and me?

Look at John 10:10, why did Jesus come?

THE PROBLEM

Sin is doing things our way instead of God’s way.
The Bible says that our sins have separated us from God.

How many of us have sinned? (Romans 3:23)

What is the result of this sin? (Romans 6:23)

THE SOLUTION

God sent His Son, Jesus, to die for our sins and to conquer death by raising Him from the dead. This way we can come to God and receive all the good things He has for us.

What did Christ go through to bring us to God? (1 Peter 3:18)

What does the Bible say about waiting until we’re “good enough” before we come to Christ? (Romans 5:8)

Is being saved from sins something that I work for or something God freely gives me? (Ephesians 2:8,9)

Is there any other way to the Father except Jesus? (John 14:6)

HOW IT WORKS

Now that we know what God has done, we need to receive the gift into our lives.

How does one become a child of God? (John 1:12)

What must we do to have Christ come into our hearts? (Revelation 3:20)

WHAT WE MUST DO WITH THE GOSPEL

Once we have received this life giving message, what is then required of us? (Mark 16:15, Acts 1:8)

*I love to tell the story Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, Of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story, Because I know 'tis true,
It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do.*

Chorus

*I love to tell the story! 'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.*

Verse 2

*I love to tell the story; More wonderful it seems
Than all the golden fancies Of all out golden dreams.
I love to tell the story, It did so much for me;
And that is just the reason I tell it now to thee.*

Verse 3

*I love to tell the story; 'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet,
I love to tell the story, For some have never heard
The message of salvation From God's own holy Word.*

Verse 4

*I love to tell the story; For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long.*

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*“And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.
He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life” - 1 John 5:11-12*