

A portrait of a woman with long, dark brown hair, wearing a dark purple quilted jacket over a black top. She is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The background is a light-colored, textured wall.

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a stronger me

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One of the beautiful things about having the blessing of recording is the chance to take a "snapshot" of this season of my life. This collection of songs represents a new perspective and a new filter through which I view God and life here on Earth. I am more sure today than ever of God's goodness and faithfulness. He keeps His promises, and He is true to His word. The Lord has so faithfully brought me to a place of hope and victory and confidence. My confidence and my hope are in Christ alone. I am a stronger me because of His hand so powerfully at work in my life.

I pray you find hope and encouragement in these songs. I hope that you will make Jesus the guardian of your heart, for He loves you more than you could ever imagine.



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A Stronger Me

(Angel Smythe, Keith Everette Smith,
Keeley Reed)

*There's nothing more liberating than
coming through the fires and storms of
life stronger because the hand of God
has never let go of me. I'm stronger
because He is always with me.*

Thank you, Lord, for this broken life
All of the tears I've cried
Through the crazy days
And sleepless nights

Seems no matter how hard I tried
I couldn't realize
You were always there
You never left my side

I felt weak
I felt scared
But You wouldn't leave me there

**You broke these chains of fear
And they're no longer here
I am alive and free
You took the pain away
Now I can hear You say
That You love me
When You're here, when You're here
I am a stronger me**

I know I couldn't have come this far
I know it's the hand of God
Reaching down
You healed my heart

And even now through the storms of life
You give me the strength to fight
I know You'll be there
You'll never leave my side

You're amazing
Lord, You raised me
I'll never stand alone

**You broke these chains of fear
And they're no longer here
I am alive and free
You took the pain away
Now I can hear You say
That You love me
When You're here, when You're here**

I am a stronger me
I am a stronger me
I am stronger 'cause You love me

**You broke these chains of fear
And they're no longer here
I am alive and free
You took the pain away
Now I can hear You say
That You love me
When You're here, when You're here
When You're here, when You're here
When You're here, when You're here
I am a stronger me
I am a stronger me**

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Breakthrough

(Angel Smythe, Keith Everette Smith,
Alan Powell)

*It's true that it is so easy to believe
all of the lies that come my way.
Breakthrough comes every time I
CHOOSE to listen to the truth and
embrace it. John 8:32 - "And you will
know the Truth, and the Truth will set
you free."*

I've heard so many people try to tell me who I am
You hear it long enough and you believe
I embraced a lie that led to insecurity
When did I forget that You made me?

And You don't make mistakes!

**I get it now this is my breakthrough
I figured out it's my point
it's my point of view
Now I see myself the way You do
This is my breakthrough**

Seeing now through different eyes,
it's all becoming clear
Who I am and what You want me to be
I hold on to the truth and live my new identity
I am who I am because You love me

And You will never change!

**I get it now this is my breakthrough
I figured out it's my point
it's my point of view
Now I see myself the way You do
This is my breakthrough**

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entertaining angels

(angel smythe, tony guerrero)

Heb. 13:2-3 - I never imagined that I would have opportunities to serve in ministry to those in prison or homeless people because of both pride and fear. I'm so glad that, out of obedience, I stepped out of my comfort zone, for as a result I have been humbled and blessed.

homeless man in the park
dancing with a shopping cart
looking for a bite to eat
talking to the air

keep your eyes in front of you
keep him just outside your view
it's easier to walk on by
pretending you don't see

but we have been called to more than this
we have been shown a greater love
so just remember

(Chorus)

**maybe the stranger in your eyes
could be an angel in disguise
open your heart to the need that's before you
give in to mercy - let it shine through you
don't let this moment pass you by
this could mean more than you realize
move in closer
offer love to the least of these
this could be an angel in disguise**

hungry children on TV
turn it quick before you see
empty bellies - crying eyes
living in despair

tell yourself the need's too great
there's no difference you can make
leave it up to someone else
they can do much more

but we have been called to more than this
we have been shown a greater love
so just remember

**maybe the stranger in your eyes
could be an angel in disguise
open your heart to the need that's before you
give in to mercy - let it shine through you
don't let this moment pass you by
this could mean more than you realize
move in closer
offer love to the least of these
this could be an angel**

for every mother on her own
and every child who's wandered far from home
you could be the one to show the Father's love

(Chorus)

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Devoted

(Erica Dean, Ben Kolarcik)

Ps. 86:2, 2 Thess. 1:11 - My heart's cry is to lift up my hands and give Him all that I am. May I live a life worthy of the calling! He deserves nothing less from me. It's my honor to serve Him.

I come, I want to be near You
I come, I'm longing to hear You
My heart's cry
You satisfy

(Chorus)

And I will lift up my hands
Give You all that I am
And live devoted, Lord, to You
You are the God of my days
Lord of infinite praise
I'll live devoted, Lord, to You

I come, I want You to fill me
I come, I know that You will be
Strong and true
Lord, I run to You

(Chorus)

With all of my heart
I adore You, Jesus
With all of my heart
I will lay my life before You

And I will lift up my hands
Give You all that I am
And live devoted, Lord, to You
To You

(Chorus)

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I come, I'm longing to hear You
My heart's cry
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Josh Auer



Love Like You

(Angel Smythe, Keith Everette Smith,
Erica Dean)

I don't always get relationships right here on Earth. After I healed from feeling betrayed and so sad at the end of a friendship, I began to think about how perfect Jesus was in His relationships. I love and enter into relationships expecting a rewarding outcome. Jesus loved and poured Himself selflessly to Judas knowing that at the end of it was ultimate betrayal. I want to be more like Jesus.

Everyone gets hurt in life sometimes
A father who abandoned you
Or a friend who broke your trust
Everyone holds on to pride sometimes
Unwilling to forgive and love
Losing all the blessings there for us

I have a selfish heart
But I'm willing, Lord, to be more like You

(Chorus)

**You chose to love us, Lord
We watched You die and then walked away
You loved us anyway
How could we love like You
So unconditional like You do
Could we love like this
We've been hurt, betrayed, left alone
Could we love like You?**

Jesus, You have walked this road before
For all the times that I've been hurt
You've endured much more
And though You knew we all would turn away
You're willing to forgive and love
And sacrifice Your life for us

You have a perfect heart
And I'm longing, Lord, to be more like You

(Chorus)

Who can know my heart but You, Lord?
But You, Lord?
Who can break my pride and fear, Lord?
But You, Lord?
Only You can change my heart, Lord
Completely - Love through me

**You chose to love us, Lord
We watched You die and then walked away
You loved us anyway
How could we love like You
So unconditional like You do
Could we love like You
We've been hurt, betrayed, left alone
We've been hurt, betrayed, left alone
You were hurt, betrayed, left alone
Could we love like You?**

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behind the scenes

(angel smythe, keeley reed,
keith everette smith)

Jer. 29:11, PS. 62:5: PS. 71:14 - Every girl dreams of getting married one day, including me. I've had countless conversations with women who think their lives are less valuable or not as important because they are single. I know that life still goes on "while I wait" (the original title of this song). It's easy to lose hope or give up on being the right woman for when he comes along. Be healthy and whole and okay on your own so that you'll have something great to offer when the time is right. Believe that God has a perfect, custom-made design for Your life. He's always working things out in our lives even when we can't see it.

it seems it can take a lifetime
for a dream to come true
have i just been biding time
while i hope for you
i've never been one for wishin' on stars,
so what's a girl to do
i'll just keep on keepin' on, yeah

(Chorus)

**i'll be who i was made to be
i know there's more than what i can see
i'm living hopeful and complete
even if my story's being written behind the scenes**

it seems i can get tangled in
all these ups and downs
some days it's easy to believe
but sometimes i doubt
i've always been one for standin' my ground
so what's a girl to do
i'll just keep on movin' on, yeah

(Chorus)

it seems like things can happen
so unexpectedly
have i been becoming
all i'm supposed to be
i've always known that someday you'd come
i know just what to do
i'll just keep on keepin' on

**i'll be who i was made to be
i know there's more than what i can see
i'm living hopeful and complete
even if my story's being written, yeah**

**i'll be who i was made to be
i know there's more than what i can see
i'm living hopeful and complete
even if my story's being written behind the scenes
even if my story's being written behind the scenes**

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everything to live for

(angel smythe, keith everette smith,
cait plage)

1 Peter 1:3 (Msg.) - "What a God we have! And how fortunate we are to have Him, this Father of our Master Jesus! Because He was raised from the dead, we've been given a brand-new life and have everything to live for, including a future in heaven - and the future starts now! God is keeping careful watch over us and the future. The day is coming when you'll have it all - life healed and whole." What a glorious thought! Don't give up. Live life to it's fullest. Don't just let it go by and end up with regrets - wishing you had really lived.

you spent your whole life hoping for something
now you're barely getting by
your best laid plans have failed you
and left you asking why

you've been feeling lately it's fine
just watching life go by
don't you think that maybe it's time to move on

**everything changes
when we open up our eyes
Heaven comes closer
when we keep our hope alive
don't give up now
there's so much more
you've got everything to live for**

can you see your new beginning
covered by His grace
all the things that once defined you
soon will fade away

if you can finally let go right now
of the things that hold you down
don't you think you're ready to turn your life
around

**everything changes
when we open up our eyes
Heaven comes closer
when we keep our hope alive
don't give up now
there's so much more**

when you've given all you've got
all your hope is lost
His arms reach out for you
the Maker of the stars is holding up your heart
His love will carry you

you can finally let go
of all that holds you down
don't you think you're ready
are you ready

**Heaven comes closer
when we keep our hope alive
don't give up now
there's so much more
don't give up now
there's so much more
you've got everything to live for
everything to live for**

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Never Will

(Tim Timmons)

Heb. 13:5 - I know what abandonment feels like...it's just no good at all. I have good news and hope because Jesus loves me so much. He'll never leave me. YAY. He doesn't break promises. He knows everything about me, and He is crazy about me. That thrills me to the core.

(Chorus)

**You'll never abandon me
You never will, You never will
You'll never forsake me
You never will
You'll never disown me
You never will, You never will
Break Your Word
You thrill me**

Oh God, You know all my ways
Still Your love remains
You thrill me
Oh God, the fact that I can sing
And You're still listening
You thrill me

(Chorus)

**You'll never abandon me
You never will, You never will
You'll never forsake me
You never will
You'll never disown me
You never will, You never will
Break Your Word**

**You'll never abandon me
You never will, never will
You'll never forsake me
You never will
You'll never disown me
You never will, never will
Break Your Word**

**No, You never will
Ooh, You'll never leave me alone
No, never will
Break Your Word
You thrill me**

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come home (He loves you so)

(angel smythe, keeley reed,
keith everette smith)

*We all make mistakes and suffer the
consequences of poor choices. We can
always come home and receive His love.
His arms are always open wide.*

you've gone on your own
tried to make it alone
tasted bitterness of seeds you've sown
it's time to come home

you've gone your own way
made your share of mistakes
felt the heartache and the sting of pain
it's time to come home

**don't let go of that glimpse of hope
don't you know you're never alone
believe, you've got to believe
He loves you so**

you fear the unknown
don't know which way to go
wasted precious years and now you know
it's time to come home

**don't let go of that glimpse of hope
don't you know you're never alone
believe, you've got to believe
He loves you so
He loves you so**

You don't have to worry that you've run too far
He's waiting patiently for you with open arms
It's time to come home

**don't let go of that glimpse of hope
don't you know you're never alone**

**don't let go of that glimpse of hope
don't you know you're never alone
believe, you've got to believe**

**don't let go of that glimpse of hope
don't you know you're never alone
believe, you've got to believe
believe, yes you've got to believe
He loves you so**

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In This Moment

(Erica Dean, Ben Kolarcik, Angel Smythe)

*Col. 3:2 - Every moment I'm given
is a gift, and each new day brings
opportunities to make choices. I
choose to keep my focus on the things
that really matter.*

In this moment I will sing
In this moment I will praise
In this moment I will thank You
For Your grace through all my days

In this moment I will bow
In this moment I will rest
In this moment I remember
I am loved and I am blessed

**All I have, all I know
In this moment I will live for You alone
All I am, all I do
In this moment I will give it all to You**

In this moment I will love
Reaching out with open hands
In this moment I will live to see
Your glory in this land

In this moment I will dream
Look beyond just what I see
In this moment I abandon all
To what You have for me

**All I have, all I know
In this moment I will live for You alone
All I am, all I do
In this moment I will give it all to You**

In this moment I'll obey
Choose to follow where You lead
In this moment I believe that
You'll complete Your work in me

In this moment I will pray
Seeking wisdom from above
In this moment I will go and
Tell the world of Your great love

**All I have, all I know
In this moment I will live for You alone
All I am, all I do
In this moment I will give it all to You
In this moment I will give it all to you
Give it all to You**

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Guardian of My Heart

(Angel Smythe, Moses Toth)

*It's so comforting to know that I can entrust the care of my heart to my
Maker and Savior.*



Guardian of my heart
Keeper of my soul
I will find my strength
In knowing You're my Lord

**For who could save me from my sin?
And who could calm the storm within?
Only the guardian of my heart
Only the guardian of my heart**

Guardian of my heart
Keeper of my soul
I will find my strength
In knowing You're my Lord

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