

# *Ain't No Grave*

## **Verse 1**

Shame is a prison as cruel as a grave  
Shame is a robber and he's come to take my name  
Love is my redeemer lifting me up from the ground  
Love is the power where my freedom song is found

## **Chorus 1**

There ain't no grave gonna hold my body down  
There ain't no grave gonna hold my body down

When I hear that trumpet sound, I'm gonna rise up out of the ground  
There ain't no grave gonna hold my body down

## **Verse 2**

Fear is a liar with a smooth and velvet tongue  
Fear is a tyrant he's always telling me to run  
Love is resurrection and love is a trumpet sound  
Love is my weapon I'm gonna take my giants down

## **Verse 3**

There was a battle a war between death and life  
There on a tree the Lamb of God was crucified  
He went on down to hell He took back every key  
He rose up as a lion and now He's setting the captives free

## **Chorus 2**

There ain't no grave could hold His body down  
There ain't no grave could hold His body down  
When He heard the trumpet sound, He rose up out of the ground  
There ain't no grave could hold His body down  
There ain't no grave could hold His body down

## **Bridge**

If you walked out of the grave, I'm walking too  
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# Because He Lives

## Verse 1

God sent His Son they called Him Jesus  
He came to love heal and forgive  
He bled and died to buy my pardon  
An empty grave is there to prove  
My Savior lives

## Chorus

Because He lives  
I can face tomorrow  
Because He lives  
All fear is gone  
Because I know  
He holds the future  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives

## Verse 3

And then one day I'll cross that river  
I'll fight life's final war with pain  
And then as death gives way to vict'ry  
I'll see the lights of glory  
And I'll know He reigns

**Verse 1**

How great the chasm that lay between us  
How high the mountain I could not climb  
In desperation I turned to heaven  
And spoke Your name into the night  
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul  
The work is finished the end is written  
Jesus Christ my living hope

**Verse 2**

Who could imagine so great a mercy  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame  
The cross has spoken I am forgiven  
The King of kings calls me His own  
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever  
Jesus Christ my living hope

**Chorus**

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free  
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me  
You have broken every chain, There's salvation in Your name  
Jesus Christ my living hope  
(repeat)

**Verse 3**

Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me

Jesus, yours is the victory!

# *In Christ Alone*

## **Verse 1**

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This cornerstone this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter my all in all  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

## **Verse 2**

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

## **Verse 3**

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Til He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

## **Bridge**

I find my strength, I find my hope  
I find my help in Christ alone  
When fear ascends, when darkness falls  
I find my peace, in Christ alone

I give my life, I give my all  
I sing this song to Christ alone  
The King of Kings, the Lord of all  
All Heaven sings to Christ alone

## Verse

The Lord bless you  
And keep you  
Make His face shine upon you  
And be gracious to you  
The Lord turn His  
Face toward you  
And give you peace

## Chorus

Amen amen amen  
Amen amen amen

## Bridge 1

May His favor be upon you  
And a thousand generations  
And your family and your children  
And their children and their children

## Bridge 2

May His presence go before you  
And behind you and beside you  
All around you and within you  
He is with you He is with you

## Bridge 3

In the morning in the evening  
In your coming and your going  
In your weeping and rejoicing  
He is for you He is for you

## Refrain

He is for you He is for you  
He is for you He is for you  
He is for you He is for you

## **MARKed By A Surprising Ending** **Reference Guide**

### **Mark 15:42-47**

**42** It was Preparation Day (that is, the day before the Sabbath). So as evening approached, **43** Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent member of the Council, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. **44** Pilate was surprised to hear that he was already dead. Summoning the centurion, he asked him if Jesus had already died. **45** When he learned from the centurion that it was so, he gave the body to Joseph. **46** So Joseph bought some linen cloth, took down the body, wrapped it in the linen, and placed it in a tomb cut out of rock. Then he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. **47** Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where he was laid.

### **Mark 16:1-8**

**16** When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. **2** Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb **3** and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?" **4** But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. **5** As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. **6** "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. **7** But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'" **8** Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

**[The earliest manuscripts and some other ancient witnesses, do not have Mark 16:9-20.]**

### **Historical Context:**

Over 25,000 New Testament manuscripts  
25 years separation from earliest manuscript to original manuscript.

Next best in history, Homer's *Illiad*.

Under 2,000 manuscripts

500 years separation from earliest manuscript to original manuscript.

### **Alternate Ending:**

"But they reported briefly to those with Peter, all that had been commanded them. And afterward Jesus himself sent out through them from the East even to the West the sacred and incorruptible message of eternal salvation."

### **John 20:29**

"Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

### **Romans 8: 31-39**