

# BECAUSE HE LIVES

## Verse 1

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

## Chorus

### Verse 2

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,  
And feel the pride and the joy he gives;  
But greater still the calm assurance,  
This child can face uncertain days because He lives.

## Chorus

### 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 lives.

## Chorus

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow;  
*accept*

Because He lives, all fear is gone;  
*fear*

Because I know He holds the future,  
*confident*

And life is worth the living just because He lives.  
*accept know*

## Repeat Chorus

**Ending** Because He lives.

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## FEAR

With the right "5" hand near the right shoulder and the left "5" hand on the lower left side of the chest, palms facing the chest and the fingers pointing toward each other, move both hands toward the center of the chest with a deliberate motion.

**Hint: This is a natural gesture protecting the body against something causing alarm or disquiet.**



## ACCEPT

Beginning with the fingers of both "5" hands loosely hanging down in front of each side of the chest, palms facing down, bring the fingers back toward the chest while changing into flattened "o" hands.

**Hint: Bringing something to oneself in acceptance.**



## CONFIDENT, TRUST

Beginning with the right "c" hand somewhat above the left "c" hand, palms facing in opposite directions, bring the hands downward toward the body while closing into "s" hands, ending with the little-finger side of the right "s" hand on the index-finger side of the left "s" hand.

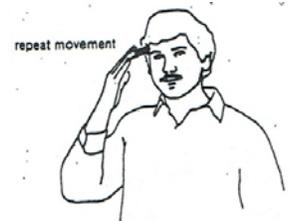
**Hint: Holding on to something with trust.**



## KNOW

Tap the fingers of the curved right hand to the right side of the forehead with a repeated movement, palm facing in.

**Hint: The hand indicates that knowledge is in the brain.**



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## DEVOTIONAL

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As I sat on the edge of the couch, I looked my son in the eye and explained:

***“Honey, life is hard. This world is broken. Sometimes our expectations can be too high and we face disappointment. But God is with us in our hurts. He will never leave us or forsake us. All of your life, you are going to face heartaches and disappointments. This world just cannot deliver sustained happiness. Joy only comes through Jesus.***



***Cling to Jesus. Talk to Jesus. Read his word, pray, listen to God, obey God, have faith and always trust God. Never stop trusting son.”***

Are those words you need to hear today?

This world is so very broken – it can't deliver what our selfish heart's desire. But Jesus – sweet Jesus. There is no other name like His in all this world! He is my best friend. He never leaves my side. He is always for me. He never betrays me or stops loving me. Every morning when I wake up – He is there for me. Every night as I fall asleep – He is still there for me. In between morning and night, every time I call on Him, He is already there.

Because He lives **I** can face tomorrow!

Because He lives **YOU** can face tomorrow!

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