

## **R.S. James - Album 2005 : If I Had Once Chance To Tell You Something**

### **01 - God Help Me**

From the deep I cry  
I am needing change in my life  
I have let the cold creep in and lock my ability to feel (deeply)  
Just now a shaft of light shot through my soul  
Opening up the windows and the doors  
Reaching to the corners and my flaws  
Showing my need

I'm running out of time to live  
Running out of love to give  
Running out of life within  
God help me

I don't care who stares  
Never want to be what I have been again  
Grace has taken over and drawn me in and I am embracing it  
'Cause now I see Your light drawing me close  
Overwhelming love I don't deserve  
But I'll take the hope You bring, You hold it out to me  
Without You

### **02 - Alive**

I always wanted to be free  
'Til I was bound and then  
I always wanted my own way  
'Til I saw that I find my life when  
I lose it

You make me come alive  
You make me come alive  
I found the secret  
It's only when I let go of what I want in this life  
You make me come alive

I used to think that me, myself and I were all that mattered  
But You've shown me all this world can give  
Cannot compare to the joy that comes from  
Giving away

And as I follow after You  
Now I need to  
Leave my past, myself behind  
This I will do

I always wanted to be free  
'Til I was bound and then  
I always wanted my own way  
'Til I saw You  
'Til I saw You

### **03 - You Are Loved**

We were younger then, you and me, full of dreams, weren't we?  
I went my way, you went yours, where did you go, dear?  
Someone said you had left the life we lived together then  
This is my way of reaching out 'cause I remember...

This is what I want to say to you

If I had one chance to speak to your heart  
You are loved  
More than you could ever know  
This is what I want to say to you  
If I had one chance to tell you something  
You are loved  
More than you can imagine  
Imagine

If I told you would you believe, the narrow road, I did not leave  
If I told you would you understand that I've found truth  
Are you jaded? Are you hurting now? How I wish that I could tell  
Where your heart's at...can you see? Mine has found – home

Not sure if I've, made it clear enough  
It's not my love I sing about  
Everybody asks, "Is God good?"  
I believe, He is  
In fact I know, He is

## **04 - Shadowlands**

You promised me  
That You'd never leave  
Or let me go  
You promised me  
That You'd love me through  
The highs and lows

You promised me  
You won't give me more  
Than I can bear  
You promised me  
That when I cry out  
That You'd be there

The shadowlands are what I know  
So I'm hanging on to Your every word  
The shadowlands surround me now  
But You walk with me through the cloud  
Into the sun  
Into the sun

You promised me  
If I sow in tears  
I'll reap in joy  
You promised me  
That You will breathe life  
Into my soul

I know it's true  
All that You say  
I believe in You  
And I am standing on  
The promises You've made

You promised me and I believe

## **05 - Love Being Loved By You**

I've got this story in my heart  
And its become my song  
And I can't help but sing  
The cynics and the saints  
The famous and unnamed

One day we will all fall before You  
But I'm gonna bow today

Jesus, You are so wonderful  
I cannot live without Your love  
Jesus, You are so glorious  
No one can move me like You do  
I love being loved by You  
I love being loved by You

So take me deeper still  
Where Your mysteries are revealed  
And I see You as You are  
Oh, show me how to die  
'Til all that's left of me  
Is a mirror of everything You are  
And I come before You complete

Who am I that You would notice me?  
Who am I that You would think of me?  
I stand in awe of Your amazing love  
Who am I that You would rescue me?  
Who am I that You would die?

## **06 - I Need You**

Wide open my life is now  
I hide no more behind the mask  
And what you see is what I am, it's reality

For too long I walked alone  
I tried to prove that I was strong  
But now that part of me is gone  
And I am free, free to be

I need you  
And there is nothing I must prove  
For you are a friend who loves at all times  
I thank God for you  
I love you  
I need you

I think back to all the times  
That you have shown the meaning of love and grace  
Your embrace inspires me  
To be better

And now I want to be  
The one who loves you like you love me  
And comforts you with the comfort I've been given from above  
Now I'm giving you my love  
'Cause...

## **07 - Beautiful Stranger**

"Do you see me?"  
The question's in her eyes  
"Do you relate to the pain I can't disguise?"  
Oh, look beyond what you see  
The outside is not all there is

Won't You tell me now when did I see  
You in need of water?  
Oh, and tell me now, when did I see You  
Hungry on the street?

God, I hear You calling out to me  
In the voices of the least of these  
Calling me to reach beyond my world  
To the beautiful stranger  
Beautiful Stranger

He does not look like everyone else  
Does not fit in anywhere I know  
You ask me to be Your hands  
And show him now that he is loved

There's beauty that lies deep within  
Waiting to be discovered  
God help me see what You see  
The diamond in the stone

## **08 - Thank You**

I am caught in the middle of  
So much that I cannot see the forest for the trees  
And oh I feel the pressure now  
And I'm about to blow, its all caving in on me

Something I know is amiss in my soul  
My eyes are on me  
They should not be  
I'll praise You from the center of the fire

So I say...  
Thank You, thank You, thank You, thank You, thank You  
I've got two words for You  
Thank You, thank You, thank You, thank You, thank You  
From my heart  
Thank You, thank You, thank You, thank You, thank You  
I've got three words more than thank You  
I love You

I've got much to thank You for  
You opened up the door  
Turned my sorrow to joy  
In this world that I am in  
Your wonders never end  
You define hope  
Thinking of all that You have in store for me  
I am in awe, I have got to stop  
And thank You for the love I have found in You

I want to say thank You for the peace  
That I have found with Your love surrounding me  
I want to say thank You for the mercy  
You've shown me the way that You've grown me  
I want to say thank You for the bride  
That You gave and all of our babies  
I want to say thank You just for being You  
'Cause You are the mystery that put a fix on me  
I am just some dude with a checkered little history  
Deep in the eye of my hurricane  
But You are the blood pumping through my veins

## **09 - Take All Of Me**

And I love You  
All of my hope is in You  
Jesus Christ, take my life  
Take all of me, yeah

All of me

You broke the night like the sun  
Healed my heart with Your great love  
And any trouble I couldn't bear  
You lifted me upon Your shoulders  
Love that's stronger  
Love that covers sin  
And takes the weight of the world

You stand on mountain tops with me  
With You I walk through the valleys  
You gave Your only Son for me  
Your grace is all I rely on

Love that's stronger  
Love that covers sin  
And takes the weight of the world

And I love You so  
And I give up my heart to say  
I need You so  
My everything, O Lord  
I love You so

## **10 - Forgive Me**

For all the times I've failed You, Lord  
Forgive me  
For all the ways I've fallen short  
Lord, forgive me now  
God, I'm so in need of grace  
I fall upon my face  
Forgive me

You see the tears fall down my face  
Forgive me  
Take my fear, Lord, take my shame  
Lord, forgive me now  
Purify me, make me new  
Like only You can do  
Forgive me now

Lord, we come to honor You  
We are forgiven  
We bring our love and thanks to You  
We are forgiven now

God we praise You for Your grace  
Before You we are raised. Forgiven  
God we praise You for Your grace  
Before You we are raised. Forgiven. Forgiven

## **11 - I Can Trust You**

Yes, I know that You have paved a path for me  
Yes, I know that You see what I do and don't need  
But when it comes to the deepest things  
I have a hard time relinquishing control  
Letting go

God, it hurts to give You what I must lay down  
But when I let go, freedom's found  
God, it hurts to give You what I've held so dear  
Because of Your love it's clear

I can trust You with this  
I can trust You with me  
I can trust You

Lord, I know that You are worthy of my trust  
For You have shown me time and time again  
You're faithful and yet  
I'm so scared of letting go of this  
Afraid of what You might do with it  
How could I forget who You are like this

Me forsaking  
Heart is breaking  
I let go of what I've held so tight  
Freedom's mine now  
For the taking  
I move in faith, not by sight  
Let Your will be done

## **12 - Lest I Forget**

I, I sit in silence here  
I'm filled with wonder once again  
I'm overwhelmed by Your beautiful love  
Now I, I'm falling to my knees, so grateful for the grace You give  
The love I need I've found in You

Lest I forget  
All of Your goodness  
The blood You have shed  
The cross I now remember  
Lest I forget

Lord, You wept tears of blood for me  
You hung in agony so deep  
Carried my sin away for good  
Now I, I take this bread and wine  
Remembering Your love divine  
You walked through fire to free my soul

(Whispered)  
Lord, You wept tears of blood for me  
Carried my sin away for good  
Walked through the fire to free my soul  
I sit in silence here  
The cross I now remember  
Lest I now forget