



Hymn DM

5th Grade

"Love Lifted Me"

Verse 1

I was sinking deep in sin,
Far from the peaceful shore.
Very deeply stained within,
sinking to rise no more.
But the master of the sea
Heard my despairing cry,
From the waters lifted me,
now safe am I.

Refrain

Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help,
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READ Psalm 40:2

"He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand."

James Rowe (1865-1933) was an immigrant to the United States from Ireland in 1889. He wrote "Love Lifted Me" in 1912. Rowe's words were inspired by two biblical stories. [Matthew 14:22-33](#) is where the disciples were in a boat in the middle of a frightening storm. They saw Jesus walking on the sea. He told Peter to join Him, and Peter also began walking on the water toward Jesus. The storm scared Peter and he began to sink, calling out to Jesus to save him. Jesus caught Peter by the hand and **LIFTED** him up as they got into the boat. The second story is from [Matthew 8:23-27](#), in which Jesus fell asleep in the boat while the disciples were frightened by a powerful storm. They woke Jesus and asked him to help them. Jesus tells the storm to be still and it does.

Rowe's hymn uses both stories about sinking, or being swamped into the sea, as a picture for "sinking deep in sin...sinking to rise no more." Jesus, "Master of the sea," hears our pleas for help, reaches out to us in love, and lifts us up into the well-being of grace.

Jesus is always here for us and He truly is not just the Master of the sea but the Master of all things. Talk to Him and ask Him for help. And yes, we are sinking deep in our sin and are separated from God because of that sin, but Jesus died on the cross for us and saved us from that sin. If you believe in Him, then you are no longer sinking in sin but you are lifted high with Jesus.

PRAY

Lord, help me to remember that You saved me from my sin. You are the Master of all things. Not only did You save me from my dark sin, but You can help me in all things when I am in need.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

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Child's Name _____ Grade/Age _____

My child has completed his/her DM for the week of Sept. 5, 2018.

Parent Signature





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