February Hymn DQT

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"Oh, How I Love Jesus"

Sing your hymn with your family and memorize the words to put them in your heart forever.

There is a name I love to hear,
I love to sing its worth;
It sounds like music in my ear,
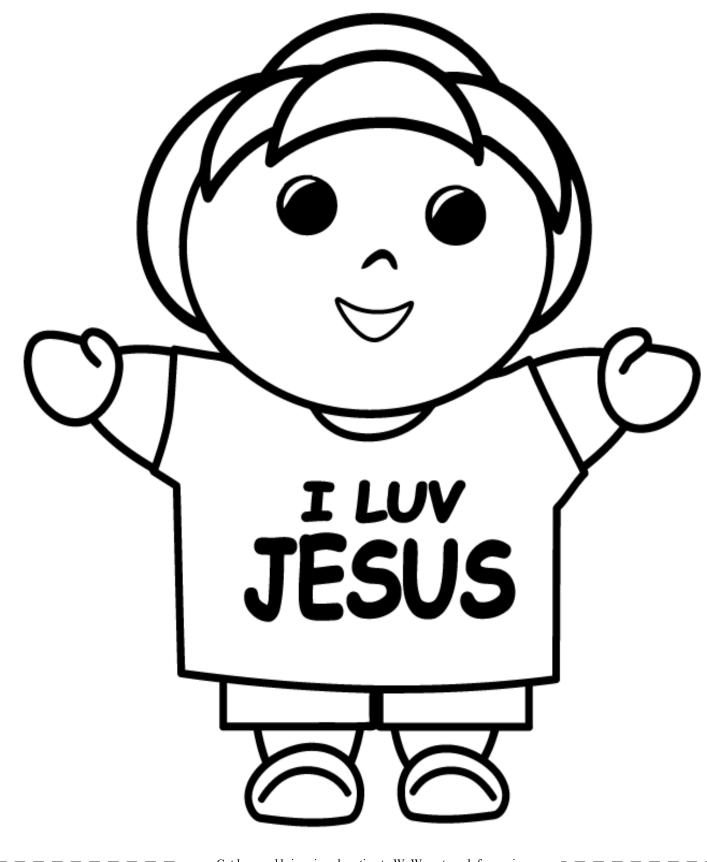*the sweetest name on earth.*

O, how I love Jesus,
O, how I love Jesus,
O, how I love Jesus
because He first loved me!

The Story Behind "Oh, How I Love Jesus"

It was the breakfast hour in the Whitfield home, and every family member but Frederick was at the table. When he finally appeared, Frederick seemed somewhat sad. One of his sisters, aware that verse-writing always stimulated her brother and brought a sparkle to his eyes, said, "O Fred, there is a Name I love to hear." Very quickly he responded, "I love to speak its worth." Another sister added, "That sounds like music in my ear." Fred exuberantly exclaimed, "It is the sweetest name on earth." This joyful exchange of greeting formed stanza 1 of our hymn. Frederick added four additional stanzas. Others added more stanzas, but most hymnbooks use only four or five of the eight stanzas.

"There Is a Name I Love to Hear" was first published in leaflet form in 1855. Eventually, it was translated into several languages and has been included in numerous hymnbooks. Some say that Whitfield's repetition of "Oh, how I love Jesus" as the refrain was designed to acknowledge his sisters' collaboration on the hymn, while others claim that the refrain was not added until many years later by another hymn writer.

Frederick Whitfield was born in Threapwood, Shropshire, England, on January 7, 1829. He was educated at Trinity College, Dublin. After his ordination in the Church of England he served various parishes and also as Secretary of the Irish Church Missions. He had more than thirty books of religious prose and verse to his credit. Whitfield died on September 13, 1904, in Croyden, England.

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My Child has completed his/her DQT for the week of Feb. 7, 2018.

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