

A song, a heartache and a prayer request

Grandpa's Song for "Amanda"

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Set to the tune, "Jesus Loves Me," by William B. Bradbury

1. Grand - pa loves you this you know 'cause your Grand - pa tells you so.
2. Grand - pa loves you, loves you still, ev - en when you're grumpy or ill;
3. Some - day soon you'll be so big, it - 'll hap - pen jig - a - di - jig!
4. Some - day a _____ mom you'll be with a little one on your knee,
5. Some far day I will be gone, but you'll nev - er be a - lone.

I'm so big and your so small, that's why Grand - pa loves you all.
ev - en when you cry all day, Grand - pa loves you a - ny way.
And, by then you really will know how your Grand - pa loves you so!
and you'll sing this song to her, so she'll know you love her, too.
I will al - ways be with you, tell - ing you, "I do love you."

Chorus

Yes, Grand - pa loves you! How Grand - pa loves you!
Yes, Mom - my loves you! How Mom - my loves you!
Yes, Grand - pa loves you! How Grand - pa loves you!

Yes, Grand - pa loves you be - cause he tells you so!
Yes, Mom - my loves you be - cause she tells you so!
Yes, Grand - pa loves you be - cause he tells you so!

Yesterday morning I found myself singing this song to myself as I was taking my dog pal for his morning walk. I thought of my eldest granddaughter (for whom I wrote this song in 1989). When I had finished a few of the stanzas, I stopped because I felt sad. You see, several years ago, she joined a religious group that strongly discourages association with anyone outside their fellowship. I haven't heard from her in a long time, neither has my wife, her mother and brothers and sisters. I have never even seen our one and only great granddaughter. Now, you understand why I felt sad.

The Scriptures say...

John 3 ([WEB](#))

¹⁶ For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God

didn't send his Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world should be saved through him. ¹⁸ **He who believes in him is not judged. He who doesn't believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the one and only Son of God.** (emphasis added) ¹⁹ This is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the light; for their works were evil. ²⁰ For everyone who does evil hates the light, and doesn't come to the light, lest his works would be exposed. ²¹ But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his works may be revealed, that they have been done in God."

Human being make choices. Choices have consequences. When it comes to decisions about Jesus, there are eternal results. To this very day I love my

granddaughter very much, but she has made a terrible choice. Since the group she is affiliated with does not accept the deity of Jesus, she also has made a decision concerning the Savior. I pray that she will come to her senses and acknowledge him for who HE really is and be saved from whatever sin she may have committed. Please pray for her.

Because...

Acts 4 (WEB)

⁸ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “You rulers of the people, and elders of Israel, ⁹ if we are examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰ be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that in the name of Jesus

Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, in him does this man stand here before you whole. ¹¹ He is 'the stone which was regarded as worthless by you, the builders, which has become the head of the corner.' ¹² **There is salvation in none other, for neither is there any other name under heaven, that is given among men, by which we must be saved!"**(emphasis added)

ps. Although I sang this song to the hymn "Jesus loves you" to my granddaughter in 1989, it was not until 2011 that it was put into music notation. **Many thanks to Alan Mullins for helping me with this!!!!**