

Who Am I words and music: John Mark Hall

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Who am I, that the Lord of all the earth would care to know my name, would care to feel my hurt.

Who am I, that the Bright and Morning Star would choose to light the way,
for my ever-wandering heart.

Refrain:

Not because of who I am, but because of what You've done.

Not because of what I've done, but because of who You are.

I am a flower quickly fading, here today and gone tomorrow;

a wave tossed in the ocean, a vapor in the wind, still You hear me when I'm calling;

Lord, You catch me when I'm falling and You've told me who I am, I am Yours. I am Yours.

Who am I, that the eyes that see my sin, would look on me with love and watch me rise again.

Who am I, that the voice that calmed the sea, would call out through the rain,
and calm the storm in me.

Refrain x 2

I am Yours. Whom shall I fear, whom shall I fear. 'Cause I am Yours, I am Yours.

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Matthew 10:29-31 "Look, if you sold a few sparrows, how much money would you get? A copper coin a piece, perhaps? And yet your Father in heaven knows when those small sparrows fall to the ground. You, beloved, are worth so much more than a whole flock of sparrows. God knows everything about you, even the number of hairs on your head. So do not fear."

The Voice Bible¹

Psalm 8:3-4 "When I look at the sky, which You have made, at the moon and the stars, which You set in their places – what are human beings that You think of them; mere mortals that You care for them?"

The Good News Translation²

When you think of who you are, how do you define yourself - through the eyes of the world, or the eyes of God? Why?

If you choose to see yourself through the eyes of the world, do you feel this limits you? In what ways?

How can, or does, viewing yourself through God's eyes open your horizons?

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Isaiah 40:7 *"The grass withers, the flower fades beneath the breath of God. And so it is with fragile man."*
The Living Bible³

James 4:6-8a *"You may think that the situation is hopeless, but God gives us more grace when we turn away from our own interests. That's why scripture says, God opposes the proud, but He pours out grace on the humble. So submit yourselves to the one true God and fight against the devil and his schemes. If you do, he will run away in failure. Come close to the one true God, and He will draw close to you."*
The Voice Bible¹

Ephesians 1:6-10 *"Long before he laid down earth's foundations, He had us in mind, had settled on us as the focus of His love, to be made whole and holy by His love. Long, long ago He decided to adopt us into His family through Jesus Christ. (What pleasure He took in planning this!) He wanted us to enter into the celebration of His lavish gift-giving by the hand of his beloved Son. Because of the sacrifice of the Messiah, His blood poured out on the altar of the Cross, we're a free people—free of penalties and punishments chalked up by all our misdeeds. And not just barely free, either. Abundantly free! He thought of everything, provided for everything we could possibly need, letting us in on the plans He took such delight in making. He set it all out before us in Christ, a long-range plan in which everything would be brought together and summed up in Him, everything in deepest heaven, everything on planet earth."*

The Message⁴

Do you judge yourself based on your thoughts and actions? Or do you judge yourself based on Christ's thoughts and actions? Spend some time looking at how this mindset effects your life.

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Psalm 119:37 *“Turn me away from wanting any other plan than Yours. Revive my heart towards You.”*
The Living Bible³

John 14:18-19 *“No I will not abandon you or leave you as orphans in the storm – I will come to you. In just a little while I will be gone from the world, but I will still be present with you. For I will live again – and so will you.”*
The Living Bible³

Are you experiencing a storm inside? A struggle that you need Christ to calm? Offer your struggles, your storm to Christ, ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit to see you through, to help you “rise again”.

I am Yours. Whom shall I fear, whom shall I fear? 'Cause I am Yours, I am Yours.

Isaiah 41:9-10 *“I have called to wherever you are in the farthest corners of the earth, and the most hidden places therein. I have called to you and said, ‘You are my servant. I have chosen you, not thrown you away!’ So don’t be afraid. I am here with you; don’t be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, help you. I am here with my right hand to make right and to hold you up.”*
The Voice Bible¹

1 John 3:1 *“See how very much our Father loves us, for He calls us His children, and that is what we are! But the people who belong to this world don’t recognize that we are God’s children because they don’t know Him.”*
New Living Translation⁵

Romans 8:37-39 *“But despite all this, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ who loved us enough to die for us. For I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from His love. Death can’t, and life can’t. The angels won’t, and all the powers of itself cannot keep God’s love away. Our fears for today or worries about tomorrow, or where we are – high above the sky, or in the deepest ocean – nothing will be able to separate us from the love of God demonstrated by our Lord Jesus Christ when He died for us.”*
The Living Bible³

How can fear separate us from God? Is this something you face? If it is, is it on an occasional basis or a regular basis? Spend some time with these verses. Let the words seep into your mind and your heart. When the fear starts to creep in, repeat these words “I am here with you; don’t be dismayed, for I am your God.” Allow God to comfort and strengthen you.

“That’s plain enough, isn’t it? You’re no longer wandering exiles. This kingdom of faith is now your home country. You’re no longer strangers or outsiders. You belong here, with as much right to the name Christian as anyone. God is building a home. He’s using us all—irrespective of how we got here—in what He is building. He used the apostles and prophets for the foundation. Now He’s using you, fitting you in brick by brick, stone by stone, with Christ Jesus as the cornerstone that holds all the parts together. We see it taking shape day after day - a holy temple built by God, all of us built into it, a temple in which God is quite at home.”
Ephesians 2:19-22 The Message

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