

# I MATTER BECAUSE YOU LOVE ME

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## **VERSE 1**

IT FEELS GOOD TO IMPRESS. WHO DOESN'T LIKE TO BE  
NOTICED AND PRAISED? BASK IN THE GAZE.  
BUT WHO COULD HAVE GUESSED I'M ALONE ON THIS PEDESTAL,  
LOST IN A HAZE OF TRYING TO AMAZE?

## **PRE-CHORUS**

I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW I GOT HERE  
BUT NOW I'M AFRAID TO LOOK DOWN.  
LIFE HASN'T TURNED OUT LIKE I THOUGHT HERE.  
NO SAFE PLACE TO FALL DOWN WITH NO CRITICS AROUND.

## **CHORUS**

I DON'T KNOW ALL THE ANSWERS.  
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY.  
I DON'T KNOW WHERE I'M GOING.  
I'M BARELY HERE TODAY.  
BUT I'LL KEEP PRESSING FORWARD  
TO BECOME ALL HE MADE ME TO BE.  
THEN FOR ONCE I CAN REST.  
NO MORE GOOD, BETTER, BEST.  
I MATTER BECAUSE HE LOVES ME.

## **VERSE 2**

WHO TO EMBRACE? MAGICALLY FRIENDS APPEAR  
SOON AS YOU "WOW." TAKE TROPHY, TAKE BOW.  
BUT FALL ON YOUR FACE, FANS AND ADMIRERS  
FADE OUT SOMEHOW. WHO'S WITH YOU NOW?

## **PRE-CHORUS**

IT'S A BALANCING ACT JUST TO STAY HERE  
WHERE EVERY MISTAKE IS SO LOUD.  
MY VALUE IS WEIGHED BY THE DAY HERE.

IF I GIVE UP THE RACE  
AND I FORFEIT MY PLACE  
WILL THEY STILL KNOW MY FACE IN THE CROWD?

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**BRIDGE**

AND I KNOW YOU CAN SEE ME IN THIS  
CYCLE THAT KEEPS SPINNING ROUND.  
LORD, I KNOW YOU CAN FREE ME.  
IF YOU STILL HEAL THE HURTING  
AND LOOK FOR THE LOST, LORD, FIND ME.  
I LONG TO BE FOUND!

**CHORUS**

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**TAG**

THERE'S NO END TO THIS RACE,  
TO THIS DREAM THAT I CHASE,  
TO BE SCARED AND STILL TRY,

FREE TO FAIL, FREE TO FLY.  
BUT BECAUSE YOU LOVE ME  
I CAN LEARN TO BE FREE.  
I MATTER BECAUSE YOU LOVE ME.

## **OPTIONAL MONOLOGUE SET UP**

**ALEX**

*Beside GRANDPA'S hospital bed. Upset, with urgency.*

Grandpa, I don't know if you can hear me, but I need to talk to somebody. I can't stand it any longer. Something's happened...something bad...I did something bad...Grandpa, I got caught cheating on a test. I bet I'm gonna be suspended from school. And that means no travel team, no training team...I don't know how I'm gonna tell Mom.

*Beat.*

I know better. It's so embarrassing. I'm so sorry I did it and I'm sorry to disappoint everybody.

*Beat.*

I know I'll survive, but right now it seems like the end of the world.

*Beat.*

You always help me remember what's important, Grandpa. You and your wisdom...

### **TRACK CUE: I MATTER BECAUSE YOU LOVE ME**

*ALEX picks up GRANDPA's Bible from his bedside table.*

...and your Bible verses.

*She reads this verse Grandpa has highlighted.*

"Man looks on the outside, but God looks on the heart." Funny you marked

that one. I feel like everyone's always watching me and I have to be perfect all the time.

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