No Charge (Remastered Version)

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My sister's little boy came in the kitchen one evening

While she was fixing supper

And he handed her a piece paper he had been writing on

And after wiping her hands on an apron

She took it in her hands and read it

And this is what it said: For mowing the yard five dollars

And for making up my own bed this week one dollar

For going to the store fifty cents

And playing with little brother while you went shopping twenty five cents

Taking out the trash one dollar

And for getting a good report card five dollars

And for raking the yard two dollars

Total owed one fourteen seventy fiveWell she looked at him standing there and expecting

And a thousand memories flashed through her mind

So she picked up pen and turned the paper over and this is what she wrote: For the nine months I carried you

holding you inside me \$ no charge

For the nights I sat up with doctored you and prayed for you \$ no charge For the time and tears and the costs through the years

There is no charge

When you add it all up the full cost of my love is \$ no chargeFor the nights filled with grey

And the worries ahead

For the advice and the knowledge

And the costs of your college

There is no charge

For the toys, school, and clothes

And for wiping your nose

There's no charge son

When you add it all the full cost of my love is no chargeWell you know when I think about that I think about the day that Jesus went out to Calvary and gave his life as a ransom for me

When I think on the words "if any man be in Christ he's a new creature"

I like to think about the very minute that he shed his blood

My debt was paid in full

And I want you to know today

When you add it all up

The full cost of real love is no charge

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