

# He's Alive

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The gates and doors were barred  
And all the windows fastened down  
I spent the night in sleeplessness  
And rose at every sound Half in hope of sorrow  
And half in fear the day  
Would find the soldiers breakin' through  
To drag us all away And just before the sunrise  
I heard somethin' at the wall  
The gate began to rattle  
And a voice began to call I hurried to the window  
Looked down into the street  
Expecting swords and torches  
And the sound of soldiers' feet But there was no one there but Mary  
So I went down to let her in  
John stood there beside me  
As she told me where, she'd been She said, "They've moved Him in the night"  
And none of us knows where  
The Stone's been rolled away  
And now His body isn't there So we both ran toward the garden  
Then John ran on ahead  
We found the stone and empty tomb  
Just the way that Mary said But the windin' sheet they wrapped Him in  
Was just an empty shell  
And how or where, they'd taken Him  
Was more than I could tell Oh, somethin' strange had happened there  
Just what I did not know  
John believed a miracle  
But I just turned to go Circumstance and speculation  
Couldn't lift me very high  
'Cause I'd seen them crucify Him  
Then I saw Him die Back inside the house again  
The guilt and anguish came  
Everything, I'd promised Him  
Just added to my shame When at last it came to choices  
I denied, I knew His name  
And even if He was alive  
It wouldn't be the same But suddenly the air was filled  
With a strange and sweet perfume  
Light that came from everywhere

Drove shadows from the room And Jesus stood before me  
With His arms held open wide  
And I fell down on my knees  
And I just clung to Him and cried Then He raised me to my feet  
And as I looked into His eyes  
The love was shining out from Him  
Like sunlight from the skies Guilt in my confusion  
Disappeared in sweet release  
And every fear I ever had  
Just melted into peace He's alive, yes He's alive  
Yes, He's alive and I'm forgiven  
Heaven's gates are open wide  
He's alive, yes He's alive  
Oh, He's alive and I'm forgiven  
Heaven's gates are open wide He's alive, He's alive  
Hallelujah, He's alive  
He's alive and I'm forgiven  
Heaven's gates are open wide  
He's alive, He's alive, He's alive  
I believe it, He's alive, sweet Jesus

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