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435 【求主把我捆綁】

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(一) 求主把我捆綁，我才得著釋放；願主迫我向主繳械，我才得勝奏捷；當我倚靠自己，我就失敗危亟；當主膀臂將我圍困，我手就更有勁。

(二) 我心未交主時，真是軟弱愚痴，自己所願，自己不行，萬事漂流無定；主若未加鎖鏈，就難自由進前，求主慈愛將它奴隸，它才會得能力。

(三) 我的生命未死，終身總是喪失：勝少敗多，實無能力，時為肉體嘆息。我若沒有死過，我就難以活著，求主使我脫離自己，才會完全得禰。

(四) 我今認識了禰，也略知道自己，所以今後真不願意再借天然能力。求主永遠的靈，使我生命全釘，使我治死肉體行為，主興盛，我衰微。

(1) Make me a captive, Lord, and then I shall be free; force me to render up my sword, and I shall conq'ror be. I sink in life's alarms when by myself I stand, imprison me within Thine arms, and strong shall be my hand.

(2) My heart is weak and poor until it master find: it has no spring of action sure, it varies with the wind; it cannot freely move till Thou hast wrought its chain; enslave it with Thy matchless love, and deathless it shall reign.

(3) My power is faint and low till I have learned to serve: It wants the needed fire to glow, it wants the breeze to nerve; it cannot drive the world until itself be driven; its flag can only be unfurled when Thou shalt breathe from heaven.

**(4) My will is not my own till Thou hast made it Thine; if it would reach the monarch's throne it must its crown resign;
it only stands unbent amid the clashing strife, when on Thy bosom it has leant, and found in Thee its life.**

George Matheson