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Because God is loyal and faithful

Ps. 42:8 *By day the LORD directs His love, at night His song is with me - a prayer to the God of my life.*

The Hebrew word for *song* is **shirov** which means *to sing or play music as a lullaby*. I'm sure that every person in this world would say that there has been some form of music that has played a significant part in your life. Music can draw you into an emotional or even spiritual place. Let me give you a classic example: you are watching a movie, and the music is low and begins to become louder and more suspenseful. Automatically, you are made aware that something scary is about to happen. When it does, you are frightened, even though you know it was coming by the tempo and tenor of the background music.

David makes an interesting statement in this Psalm (which by the way was put to music). He says that the LORD directs him by his love. In the daytime, when it is light, the LORD leads David and gives him sight with beautiful acts of love. But at night, when it is dark and sometimes lonely, the LORD soothes us with His song. **Zephaniah 3:17** *For the LORD your God is living among you. He is a mighty Savior. He delights over in with singing. With His love, He will calm all your fears. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs.*

As a young boy, I sensed this in times when I was fearful at night. My mother would come into my room and sit by my bed. We would pray and then she would begin to sing softly over me as I would feel her love and presence and ultimately drift off to sleep. I had no doubt that she loved me and that she was there for me. As a parent, you can relate to the love you feel towards your children and how you want to show them your love. This kind of love comes from our Heavenly Father Who loves us more than anyone else could ever love us.

Dear LORD, my precious Father, I am so blessed to have You in my life. Your comfort me and give me strength. You are always there for me and Your Holy Spirit gives me hope and encouragement. My soul feels Your song over me, and I praise You. I run into Your strong arms and call You Father, In Jesus Name, Amen