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LYRICS

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Album: Amazing LORD 'n' Life

with thoughts of Paul Joseph Osborne

PART 1

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AT THE SCRATCH OF A PEN one life is changed. AT THE SCRATCH OF A PEN another **ends**.

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AT THE SCRATCH OF A PEN should compassion come for a heart that's confused, fearfulBROKEN?

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READING DURING FIRST LONG INTERLUDE (after 3)

Psalm 139, verses 13 to 16. "For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb... Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them."

Exodus 21: 22-23, a pattern: "If men fight, and hurt a woman with child, so that she gives birth prematurely [and the baby dies],then you shall give life for life...."

God's word CLEARLY says: An unborn child IS A LIFE.

Written in an age when humans did NOT value even women very highly, much less babies. So this is EVIDENCE that these words ARE FROM GOD. Because PEOPLE would not have wanted to keep this law in the Bible. Just like our modern societies...

PART 2 - Repeats Part 1 -- but this time, with scriptures during the interludes (NKJV)

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READING 3

From the Gospel of John, Chapter 8, New Living Translation:

As Jesus was speaking, the teachers of religious law and the Pharisees brought a woman... in front of the crowd. "Teacher," they said to Jesus, "this woman was caught in the act of adultery. The law of Moses says to stone her. What do **you** say?"

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READING 2

They were trying to trap him... but Jesus stooped down and wrote in the dust with his finger. They kept demanding an answer, so he... said, "All right... let the one who has never sinned throw the first stone!" ... The accusers ... slipped away... until only Jesus was left in the middle of the crowd with the woman.

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READING 3

Jesus said to the woman, "Where are your accusers? Didn't even one of them condemn you?" "No, Lord," she said. And Jesus said, "Neither do I. Go and **sin no more**."

Mark 11:26 --- "... if YOU do not forgive,

neither will your Father in heaven forgive YOUR trespasses."

PART 3 "Amazing Grace" minor melody

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Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me -- EVEN ME! I once was.... lost, but now, am found. Was blind, but now I see ----- I sinned but Jesus forgave me.

God never will scratch off me ----- or OTHERS who chose wrongly. AND SO:

PART 4 "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus" minor, clashing melody (Public Domain)

How can I NOT forgive someone tricked to scratch a Pen of DEATH?

How can CHURCH not COMFORT someone

tricked into scratching a pen.... pen.... pen....

Song Story. I had to look through ten pages of my journal that day to try to find what inspired this song. Entire song lyrics were written in minutes in a parking lot (1) In a radio sermon on an entirely different topic, Alistair Begg used the title phrase. (2) I had just completed a typing transcription job for Pastor Kibby's sermon about handwriting. (3) Somehow -- another "God How" -- the two ideas merged.....

and I "Just sat" at the keyboard and once again God's Holy Spirit inspired this music. But it was a struggle to even practice the lyrics before going to the recording studio -- I kept breaking into weeping. The first time I sang the song all the way through without my voice choking up was this first recording in the studio. The words are *SO* sad -- not only for children who will never be born, but for their MOTHERS who will never forget them....