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Album: Amazing Joy 'n' Choices

Chorus based on "Ah Holy Jesus (How Hast Thou Offended?)"
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2 Corinthians 10: 5 * *We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ....* -- NIV

(includes gossip, angry imagined conversations includes blaming God for things)

Romans 1:18 NLT: "But God shows his anger from heaven against all sinful, wicked people who push the truth away from themselves." **Philippians 2:7 KJV:** "[Jesus] made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men."

VERSE 1

My heart is breaking, knowing all the lies they think of me.
My soul is sickened -- How can God's people be so deceived?

VERSE 2

My heart is breaking, knowing all the lies they think of Me.
My soul is sickened -- How can God's people be so deceived?

CHORUS 1

based on "Ah Holy Jesus (How Hast Thou Offended?)"

Ah, holy Jesus, how hath Thou offended
that man to judge Thee hath in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by Thine own rejected.
Oh, most afflicted.

VERSE 3

"Cast down imaginations," God's Word clearly says.
"Take all thoughts captive"
Two Corinthians Ten, Verse Five,
Comfort's in God's Word, not imagined lies.

CHORUS 2

Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon Thee?
Alas, MY treason, Jesus, hath undone Thee.
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied Thee.
I crucified Thee.

VERSE 4

Jesus loves you so much, He died upon a cross to give you life.
Any thought God is not real or that He hates you is a
HELL-made lie.

CHORUS 3

Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay Thee,
I do adore Thee and will ever praise Thee and
think upon Thy mercy
and Thy love unswerving
that's not my deserving.

VERSE 5

People have hurt God with
slanders against Him and His blessings.
Malachi 3 Verse Fourteen shows some
say "God's useless -- so, why believe? They deceive --
slandering God's reputation!

Philippians 2:7 KJV:

**“[Jesus] made himself of no reputation,
and took upon him the form of a servant,
and was made in the likeness of men.”**

Song Story. I choose not to share the details of the catalyst for this song..... But I'll share this: Probably every adult and most youth and children, have been hurt by people, even unjustly accused of both minor and major things. Including in God's churches... the topic of many scriptures in BOTH the Old and New Testament. David repeatedly asked for VINDICATION - for God to show that the gossips were wrong. Gossip not only hurts our reputation, but -- more importantly -- it limits our WITNESS for our Lord as people wonder, "How can I believe the words of someone like this?" And non-Truth deeply angers our God whose Word repeatedly declares Truth's importance:

Romans 1:18: "But God shows his anger from heaven against all sinful, wicked people who push the truth away from themselves" (NLT). God doesn't measure sin, that some sins are "better" than others.

Gossip is as evil as what we think of as the "big" sins. Yet He also repeatedly says.... "Forgive. Leave it in God's hands. God is faithful." Whatever your pain: He will "pull a Romans 8:28" out of it. Whatever your pain, it is nothing compared to what we each (includes YOU) have at times done to our loving, Holy God..... blaming Him unjustly for sorrows..... when it was "I who denied Thee...."

2 Corinthians 10: 5 "Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ...." KJV

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