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 dedicated to Our Understanding God, 25 Dec 2010
 Album: Amazing Power 'n' Prayers **
 ** not on Christmas album because a year-long prayer:)

"I will praise You with my whole heart...praise Your name for Your loving kindness and Your TRUTH. For You have magnified Your Word above all Your Name. In the day when I cried out, You answered me, and made me bold with strength in my soul... Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You will revive me... The Lord will perfect that which concerns me; Your mercy, O Lord, endures forever.

Do not forsake the works of Your hands." --Psalm 138: 1a, 2b-3, 7a, 8 NKJV

PART 1. Music (no singing):

"Away in a manger, no crib for His bed. The little Lord Jesus lay down His sweet head."

<u>I Love You, Lord Jesus. I bring You my gift: This music I yearn to give FOR Your birthday.</u>

PART 2, VERSE 1.

Dear Lord Jesus, I humbly pray: Help me give You **ME** for Your Christmas birthday.

Dear Lord Jesus, I urgently pray: I yearn to give You **ME** for Your birthday.

Guide me to know the place You want me to play for You: Music for You.

Dear Holy Savior, I can never re-pay the Love You gave mE on that Cross, Good Friday.

I yearn to give You **ME** for Your birthday. Give me Your Power to play your music gifts How and Where they bring YOU Joy.

PART 3

How can I give You a good Christmas gift? Lord Jesus, please empower for YOU my music. How can I give You a good Christmas gift? Lord Jesus, please empower for YOU my music. **PART 4**

I yearn to WORSHIP You. I yearn to PRAISE You.

I yearn to serve You with Your music gifts ... to me, to lead Your people to worship You.

I yearn to WORSHIP You. I yearn to PRAISE You.

I yearn to give You a great birthday gift ALL YEAR, to lead Your people to worship You.

I yearn to WORSHIP You. I yearn to PRAISE You.

I yearn to give You JOY with this gift, all year...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS!!

Song Story. It was hard to keep this Prayer (song) short enough... I am not a very skilled musician naturally. Adequate--- but not especially skilled. I no longer practice piano 2 hours a day as I had to in high school, and I need more time to work on bass and guitar...:) So this song's words are a true prayer. And this audio recording is yet another of God's Grace-Answers to my many prayers to serve Him with music. As of this writing, I still don't know the 'end of the story' after recent worship-Life changes.... Where does Jesus want me to play my bass or guitar in worship services? I eagerly await His answer! **UPDATE** 17 NOV 2011: After 9 months of fervently praying this song, repeatedly searching, patiently with God's help, for a place to serve God "with strings in hand" in a worship band, I told God "I won't nag you anymore if this church isn't The One You want." It was. And the members of **Crossfire** warmly welcomed me to playing bass and guitar as we worship the Lord and serve Him together.