Because He First Loved Me

1. Do you ask why I love Jesus? 'Tis because He first loved me;
2. Once I had no love for Jesus, For my soul was sunk in sin,
3. But I gave myself to Jesus, For the love He showed to me;
4. Sinner, love this loving Jesus, Who in mercy died for thee;

He from sin and death redeems us, He from bondage sets us free.
Charmed with that alone which pleases, Gratifies the lusts within.
Now I love my blessed Jesus, Bleeding Lamb of Calvary.
He the captive soul releaseth, Bids the prisoner go free.

Chorus
'Tis for this, 'tis for this, my heart loves Jesus, 'tis for this,
'Tis for this, 'tis for this, my heart loves Jesus, 'tis for this,

'Tis because He first loved me; He first loved me;
'Tis because He first loved me, He first loved me, first loved me;

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He from guilt
He from guilt, yes, He from guilt my soul releases

With a pardon, with a pardon full and free.

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