

No Far Away



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Chris August didn't always know he wanted to be in music. In fact, as a youngster he wanted to play in the NBA. His dreams fell through, however, "because of asthma ... and a lack of talent," August said.

It wasn't until he became a Christian as a teenager that his love for worship music surfaced. "My faith was growing and so were my musical abilities," he he's been in music for a while, even touring with Ashlee Simpson, August is finally releasing his debut album, *No Far Away*, album is touching and relevant, and August isn't afraid to write about his faith as well as heartache.

Even so, the song "7×70" wasn't easy to write. After working with producer Ed Cash on his album, Cash told August he still felt like *No Far Away* still needed more of a personal touch.

The song "7×70" was birthed from that conversation. August said it's "without a doubt the most personal song I had ever taken on, and it required a mind set on prayer."

August writes about the pain of his past, but his music brings hope as he sings: "Seven times 70 times / I'll do what it takes to make it right / I thought the pain was here to stay / but forgiveness made a way."

The single "Starry Night," which was released in May, reminds us that God-who made the stars, sun and moon-is in control of everything: "I'm giving my life to the only one who makes the moon reflect the sun. Every starry night, that was His design. ... Let the praises ring 'cause He is everything."

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