

Troubled Pop Star Justin Bieber Says He's 'Thankful for God's Everlasting Love'

Justin Bieber has had a rough several months—filled with arrests and bad publicity—but he wants the world to know that he is a devoted Christian who reads his Bible.

The 20-year-old singer from Canada shared a quote inspired from Romans 5:8 on his Instagram page Monday.

"I loved you at your darkest Romans 5:8," the graphic said, accompanied by his caption, "Thankful for God's everlasting love."

The actual Scripture reads: "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Bieber was arrested Jan. 23 in Miami Beach on charges of driving under the influence, resisting arrest and driving with an expired license. Later in the month, he was charged with assaulting a limousine driver in Toronto in December.

He has also been accused of egging his neighbor's house, urinating in a prison cell and performing questionable acts with strippers.

But those close to the pop star say he's a good kid who has recognized his mistakes and is trying to change.

"The bad influences in his life, for the most part are being weeded out," a source told E!. "He's making more of an effort to hang out with people who are positive influences in his life."

The celebrity singer does seem to be making some changes. In

February Bieber made headlines after he unsuccessfully searched for a pool to get baptized in with Hillsong NYC.

“Justin and his team spent time on Saturday searching for a place with a pool where they could conduct a baptism for him, a cleansing ritual, with the Hillsong Church. But they couldn’t find a place in time,” a source told Page Six after Super Bowl weekend.

Another source said, “Justin is serious about his Christian faith, and after recent events, he needed to take a pause.”

The megachurch’s pastor, Carl Lentz, is reportedly a friend of Bieber, to whom Bieber tweeted, “Amazing sermon at church this morning. Love you man. I broke down today,” after attending a service in September.