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## Matt McChlery Releases New Single 'Humble Heart' Through Homegrown Worship



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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E6P858RiYiA>

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## THE STORY BEHIND 'HUMBLE HEART'

### Stepping Down to be Lifted Up

*What is humility? I think Jesus showed us the best example of humility when he was in the Garden of Gethsemane just before he was arrested and crucified. He clearly didn't want to go through with it, so he prayed and asked God to release him from it. But in the end, in humility, obedience and complete surrender, he said "Yet not my will but yours be done" (Luke 22:42).*

*He truly had a humble heart!*

*Taking this idea of Jesus being our perfect example of humility, I recognised that if Jesus was the humble king - to quote the Brenton Brown song, from which the initial idea was inspired - and we are called to follow Him, then we need to live humble lives ourselves.*

*Proverbs 3:34 says "God opposes the proud but shows favour to the humble". This song explores the idea from our perspective.*

*What is our response to a perfectly humble Lord and Saviour?*

*Humility is a very important part of our discipleship. We are called to live our lives as Jesus did.*

*This includes being humble, not prideful. It keeps our hearts soft and teachable, enabling us to obey God's will and not our own; it aids us to see things through God's eyes - not our own.*

*In 'Humble Heart', I explore the idea of surrender and submission to Jesus: our King and Lord. It is essentially a prayer, asking Jesus to help us to be humble just as He is humble. "Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time." (1 Peter 5:6)*

**Matt McChlery**

Songwriter, Author & Worship Leader

## HOMEGROWN WORSHIP SAYS . . .



Matt McChlery can only be described as ‘a man after God’s own heart’. It is apparent through his songwriting that he intently considers his subject matter before putting pen to paper and melody to lyrics.

As the first song of Matt’s handpicked by Homegrown Worship, ‘Humble Heart’ demonstrates the deep nature of these reflections, packaged in an understated way - fitting, considering the track’s lyrical content - through layers of acoustic guitars, percussion and subtle electric guitars. At points, there are even glimmers of his Zimbabwean roots in the backing vocals.

Although the track is essentially about humbling and making yourself low, you will find yourself gently uplifted and inspired by Matt’s music.

## ABOUT MATT MCCHLERY



Matt McChlery has been writing songs for 25 years. After recording his first single in 2002, he won various awards for his songwriting and blog, racking up airplay on hundreds of radio stations around the world, including the occasional appearance on

television. His songs are also sung in numerous churches around the globe.

Songwriting runs in the family. His great, great, great grandfather, Rev. Sabine Baring-Gould wrote the classic hymn 'Onward Christian Soldiers'. Matt believes he carries some of the anointing as part of a generational blessing, as well as an individual mantle and calling upon his own life for songwriting and leading worship.

Matt, who was born in Zimbabwe, lives with his wife Verity and their two children in the UK. He is a Deacon at his local church - The King's Church, Wisbech - where he preaches, leads worship and works on the strategic development of the church. As well as being an author, he continues to point people to Jesus in all his does.

#### **FURTHER INFO. . .**

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