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## ON THE RECORD

### Moving on after ending a relationship



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"Wherever I Go" is OneRepublic's latest single, released off their forthcoming, fourth studio album. OneRepublic frontman Ryan Tedder describes the song as an "appetizer" for their new album, their latest attempt to keep their music evolving artistically but still keep the "humanity in the instruments."

Perhaps the band was able to keep to this goal with the music, but the song's character seems to be struggling with his humanity. He is lost in obsession over an ended romance. He knows that he should open himself to meeting others.

Still, he hesitates, for "wherever I go, I'll be looking for you," referring to his past romantic partner. He believes that "no easy love could ever make me feel the same."

Although the character states he could look "for something new," this is an option that he needs to avoid, given his current emotional state. Rather than see another for who she is, he would likely try to duplicate his previous romantic experience. Because of this remaining obsession, he may be disillusioned about any new relationship and end up hurting his new love interest.

His obsession is a problem in itself, but behind this behavior lies what he really needs to face – his grief. He is mourning what has been lost. There are no shortcuts around genuine hurt and sadness, but there are better ways to manage these feelings than falling into obsession.

The first thing needed is for him to accept the whole truth of his feelings. Often, feelings of grief are complex and involve many types of emotions. He may be facing regret for his part in the separation. Because he needs support in processing these complex feelings, he should seek out a professional who can help him get beyond the obsession, process the grief and heal his life.

If he takes this approach, in time he will discover that the obsession will fade as he no longer needs to distract himself from the deeper hurt.

The song highlights why it is so important to go slowly in relationships. When you meet someone new, most times you know little about the person's history. Thus, you need time. Observe how the other person reacts to various situations and keep a careful check on your own feelings.

Almost all of us go through difficult episodes in life. The goal in finding the right person with whom to form a new relationship is not to discover someone who has not encountered hurt and disappointment. Rather, you need to know how the individual has lived through such problems.

What has he or she learned about himself or herself and about relationships? Has the person turned mistakes into lessons about how to live and love more effectively? When you take the time to let this type of information unfold, you can see more clearly if the person that you are attracted to is someone with whom you want more than just a beginning relationship.

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### "Wherever I Go"

#### Refrain:

I know I could lie, but I'm telling the truth  
Wherever I go there's a shadow of you  
I know I could try looking for something new  
But wherever I go, I'll be looking for you  
Some people lie, but they're looking for magic  
Others are quietly going insane  
I feel alive when I'm close to the madness  
No easy love could ever make me feel the same  
I know I could lie, but I won't lie to you  
Wherever I go, you're the ghost in the room  
I don't even try looking for something new  
Cause wherever I go, I'll be looking for you  
Some people try, but they can't find the magic  
Others get down on their knees and they pray  
I come alive when I'm close to the madness  
No easy love could ever make me feel the same  
Make me feel the same, same, same  
(Repeat refrain.)  
Wherever I go, I'll be looking for you, you  
Some people pray to their God for some magic  
Cause no easy love could ever make them feel the same  
No easy love could ever make me feel the same  
Make me feel the same, same, same  
(Repeat refrain.)

You think it's a lie, but I'm telling the truth  
Wherever I go, I'll be looking for you  
Wherever I go, I'll be looking for you  
Looking for you, looking for you

Sung by OneRepublic

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## CHILDREN'S STORY

### God allows Job to be tested

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Once there was a man named Job. He was very righteous and always followed God's laws. God loved him very much and gave him wealth and many children.

One day, the angels presented themselves to God. Guess who showed up as well? Satan! Remember, Satan was once an angel until he rebelled against God.

Satan told God he had been roaming the earth and patrolling it.

"Have you noticed my servant Job, and that there is no one on earth like him, blameless and upright, fearing God and avoiding evil?" the Lord asked.

Satan sneered. He told God that Job only followed him because God had been good to him.

"You have blessed the work of his hands, and his livestock are spread over the land," Satan said. "But now put forth your hand and touch anything that he has, and surely he will blaspheme you to your face."

God knew Job was a good and faithful servant. So he decided to



allow Satan to test Job.

"Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not lay a hand upon his person," God said.

Satan rubbed his hands gleefully. He was excited to think that he could turn Job against God.

So Satan set to work. He caused raiders to steal Job's oxen and donkeys, killing all but one herdsman, who escaped and told Job what had happened.

Just as the herdsman was done speaking, a shepherd ran up to Job. He had survived a lightning strike that killed the rest of the shepherds and all of Job's sheep.

A third man rushed up to Job. The Chaldeans had carried off Job's herd of camels and killed the animal tenders. The messenger was the only one to have lived.

Then the final messenger came.

Job's sons and daughters had been eating at their eldest brother's home. Suddenly, the man said, a powerful wind came across the desert and destroyed the four corners of the house, causing it to collapse.

All of Job's children were dead. Upon hearing this, Job tore his clothes in anguish and fell to the ground.

But, instead of cursing God, Job praised him.

"The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord!" Job said.

#### READ MORE ABOUT IT:

Job 1

Q&A

1. Who tested Job?
2. What news made Job fall to the ground?

## PUZZLE

Unscramble the letters in this puzzle to form a sentence that can be found in the story about Job.

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Answer: See page 19

## FEATURED SAINT

### St. Osyth

St. Osyth was raised in a nunnery in seventh-century England. She wanted to be a nun, but her parents said no. Instead, they arranged for her to be married.

When her husband realized that Osyth did not want to be his wife, he allowed her to become a nun. He gave her some land on which to build a monastery.

Unfortunately, the land was located in a dangerous place. One day, pirates tried to carry her off, and when she fought back, she was killed.

We honor her on Oct. 7.

## BIBLE ACCENT

### Jesus spends 40 days in desert

The Book of Job is not the only place in the Bible where Satan tried to tempt others to sin.

In Genesis 3, the snake – which is identified with the devil – tempted Eve to eat the fruit from a tree in the Garden of Eden that God had said not to eat from. Eve ate the fruit and got Adam to as well. God punished them by banishing them from the garden.

In Acts 5, a Christian named Ananias sold his property so he could give all of the money to the apostles to give to believers in need. Instead, he sinned by keeping part of the money for himself and lying about it.

"Why has Satan filled your heart so that you lied

to the holy Spirit and retained part of the price of the land?" the apostle Peter asked Ananias.

Satan even tried to tempt Jesus. In Luke 4, Jesus was in the desert for 40 days and nights. The devil came and tried to tempt Jesus into showing his power. He even offered to give Jesus power, if only Jesus would worship him. Jesus resisted the temptation and said, "You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test."

God knows the devil will always try to tempt us. That is why, in Matthew 6, Jesus taught us to pray for strength against temptation: "And do not subject us to the final test, but deliver us from the evil one."

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