



Jaimeson: Complete

The Song

Jaimeson's new follow-up to his cheesy speed-garage collaboration with diva Angel Blu, 'Complete' is a heady mixture of furious drumbeat choruses interspersed with soulful, reflective musings that quite often seem to make no lyrical sense whatsoever. Despite this mad crossover of styles and disorganised progression (or, probably more accurately, because of it!), I'm actually pretty well up for this summer's playlisted anthem. 'Complete' is due for release on the 11th of August, and will chart pretty successfully, although I doubt it'll overcome the seemingly unstoppable might of Bedingfield, Busted and Beyonce.



Like I say, there's no real story to the song, apart from this kinda longing for fulfilment that echoes through the verses ('Never learn to appreciate our time'), finding its source in the pumping chorus:

' I heard you calling to me (you come to me) / I know now I am complete (I am complete) / Was lost in the moment, got carried away / Heard the sound of you calling my name - now I am complete.'

Ultimately, it's this calling that sorts out the confusion expressed during the course of the song, reinforcing the simple message of the healing touch of love.

To think about

Over the past few weeks, I've been mulling over the story of the prophet Elijah, which you can read in 1 Kings from chapter 17 onwards. Basically, Elijah is this mad wandering prophet of God, who does all sorts of wacky stuff (especially killing 450 prophets of Baal in this kinda celebrity deathmatch thing)... but the bit that's been striking me the most can be found in chapter 19, where, after all this madness, fleeing, killing and miracles, Elijah retreats to Mount Horeb and meets God - not in the loudness of wind, earthquake or fire,

but in the gentle whisper.

The other night I was out with my friend Maria, and we were chatting a bit about meeting God in the busyness of our lives... I guess both of us were finding ourselves pretty hectic in different ways, and realising that in the midst of all that activity, sometimes we miss the boat and forget to look and listen for God.

And it's the same in the song. Through all the 'blindness', 'misplaced trust and honesty', and 'upset words' of the verses, we can miss the call of God that comes to us and makes us complete. Elijah was an awesome prophet because he recognised that he had to listen to God's call in the quiet.

Most importantly, Jesus really followed this out in his own life. Before going into performing all that he had to do, he takes time out to meet his Father in baptism, and hears the call: 'You are my Son, whom I love; with you I'm well pleased.' (Luke 3:22) All the way through his time with the disciples, he does a bunk to spend time hearing the voice of his Father - it's a need that Jesus had... how much more do I need to experience this in my everyday life?

To do

I remember when one priest arrived in my parish, he challenged us to spend at least 5

minutes a day trying to spend some of this quiet time with God in prayer. Not necessarily doing anything or saying anything, but just 'being'. Sometimes I manage it, sometimes I don't. But it's important for all of us to take the focus off ourselves and our busy lives to hear the call of God which makes us complete. How about trying it for a week, and seeing how it goes?

Here are some verses from the Bible about hearing God calling to us in our lives. Try having a read of a couple of them -
Jeremiah 1: 4-8; Matthew 11: 28-30; Romans 1: 5-6; 1 Thessalonians 2: 10-12; 1 John 3: 1-3

To pray

Father, thank you that you always want to spend time with me, no matter how little time I give to you. Help me to take some time out so that I can hear your call to me. Thank you that you know me intimately and make me complete.
Amen