**The Lion and the Lamb                                       6 Nov 2017**

After yesterday’s tragic event at a church in Texas I was left heartbroken.  We live in a society where even our places of worship there is a present and very real fear for safety. But I believe the teachings of Scripture teach us something completely different.

The choir anthem, which will be a praise song in the upcoming weeks, is entitled The Lion and the Lamb.  Read the words of the chorus:

Our God is the Lion, the Lion of Judah.

He’s roaring with power and fighting our battles.

And ev’ry knee will bow before Him.”

The Lord Himself fights our battles like a roaring lion- protecting us, leading us, providing for us.  He is in charge we have nothing to fear with Him as our Lion.  But the chorus continues on:

Our God is the Lamb, the Lamb that was slain.

For the sin of the world, His blood breaks the chains

And ev’ry knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb.

God is not only our Lion but also the Lamb that sacrificed Himself for our sins.  His blood destroyed the chains of bondage.  Our sin has been forgiven because of the gift of the Lamb, who is also our fearless protecting Lion.

The final line reiterates the most comforting truth of all:

Oh ev’ry knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb.

Everyone everywhere in all time regardless of age, race, gender, height, weight, attitude, or intelligence will bow.  And on that day those who are part of the Lion’s pride and the Lamb’s flock will be drawn into Him.

Take heart dear friends, fear not.  He is our roaring Lion and our saving Lamb.