

# Jesus Smiles Love

A painting by Kendra Burton

From the time I was a child I was always told that Jesus loves us and that heaven is a joyous place, a place where we can find happiness. I thought about it more when my four year old daughter requested a painting of Jesus smiling because she said the other pictures she saw of Jesus were all so serious. While I had this mental image, I never saw a painting of Jesus smiling that represented the love and happiness I pictured in my mind.

I wanted this painting to show that deep joy and peace within the Savior, with a look of acceptance and friendship that our Elder Brother would have of those for whom He would sacrifice everything, His joy is something I want to have and to share forever.

I know that He will always love us unconditionally, and I want to live so that when I meet him again I will see his loving smile.

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