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I wish I knew how it would feel to be free

Music: Billy Taylor
 Words: Dick Dallas
 arr. Pete Churchill

Freely

S. A.

T. B.

Freely

Piano

mf

Bdim7 F/C C#dim7 Dm G7sus4 G7 F/C Cdim7

a tempo ♩ = 100

4

mf

1. I wish I knew how it would
 (3.) wish I could live like I'm

mf

a tempo ♩ = 100

Bb/C F Edim7 Dm F7/A

mf

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feel to be free. I wish I could break all the
 long - ing to live. I wish I could give like I'm

Bb7 Bb/C F Bb/C F C/E F

12

chains hold-ing me. I wish I could say
 long - ing to give. I wish I could do

C/G G7 C7sus4 Bb/C F Edim7

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all the things that I should say. Say 'em loud,
 all the things that I could do. Though I'm way

Dm F7/A Bb7 Bb/C Dm7 Bdim7

say 'em clear — for the whole darn world to hear.
 o - ver - due — I'd be start - ing a - new.

F/C C#dim7 Dm G7 Bb/C second time to Coda ⊕

Lead (opt.)
 2. I wish I could share — all the

S. A.
 2. Wish I could share the

T.
 2. Wish I could share the

B.
 2. I wish I could share — all the

F Bb/C F Edim7 Dm F/A

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love that's in my heart. — Re - move all the bars

love_ that's in my heart. — Move

love_ that's in my_ heart. — Move

love that's in my heart. — Re - move all the bars

Bb13 C7sus4 F Bb/C F Bb

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that_ keep us a - part. — And I

all of the bars_ keep, that keep us a - part. —

all of the bars_ keep, that keep us a - part. —

that_ keep us a - part. — And I

F C/E F C/G G7 C7sus4

wish you could know_ what it means to be me..

Wish you could know what it means to be me..

Wish you could know what it means to be me..

wish you could know_ what it means to be me..

F Edim7 Dm F/A Bb13 C7sus4

Lead (opt.)

Then you'd see_ and a - gree_ that

S. A.

Then you'd see_ and a - gree_ that

T. B.

and a - gree_

Dm7 Bdim7 F/C C#dim7 Dm7 G7

⊕ CODA

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ev-'ry-bo-dy should be free. —

ev-'ry-bo-dy should be free. — 3. 1

Gm7 Bb/C F Bb/C

mp

— 4. I, yi yi yi yi yi yi

⊕ CODA

F Cb/Db

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wish I could be — like a bird in the sky. — How

Gb Fdim7 Ebm Gb7/Bb Cb7 Cb/Db Gb Cb/Db

f

43

sweet it would be — if I found I could fly. — I'd

Chords: G^b, D^b/F, G^b, D^b/A^b, A^b7, D^b7sus4, C^b/D^b

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soar to the sun — and look down at the sea. —

Chords: G^b, Fdim7, E^bm, G^b7/B^b, C^b7, C^b/D^b

51

Faster *mp* *mp-f*

Then I'd sing — 'cause I'd know, — then I'd

Faster *mp* *mp-f*

Chords: Cdim7, G^b/D^b, Ddim7, E^bm7, Cdim7

cresc. throughout

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sing 'cause I'd know, then I'd sing— 'cause I'd know, sing—

G♭/D♭ Ddim7 E♭m Cdim7 G♭/D♭ Ddim7 E♭m G♭/D♭

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1.2.3. 4.

'cause I'd know, — then I'd sing — 'cause I'd know

1.2.3. 4.

Ddim7 E♭m7 Cdim7 G♭/D♭ Ddim7

59b

slower *ff* as directed

how it feels — to be free.

E♭m7 *ff* slower A♭7 C♭/D♭ G♭ C♭7 G♭