

I wish I knew (how it would feel to be free)

Words by Dick Dallas
Music by Billy Taylor

♩ = 104

MELODY

G#07 D/A F#7/A# B-7 G#07 D/A G/A D

1. 1

6 D F#7/C# B-7 D7 G G/A D6 G/A

wish I knew how it would feel to be free. I
(2.) wish I could share all the love that's in my heart. Re -
(3.) wish I could give like I'm long - ing to give. I

10 D G/D D A E7 D A7

wish I could break all the chains hold - ing me. I
- move all the bars that keep us a - part. I
wish I could live like I'm long - ing to live. I

14 D F#7/C# B-7 D7 G G/A D

wish I could say all the things that I should say
wish you could know what it means to be me,
wish I could do all the things that I can do

17 G#07 D/A F#7/A# B-7 G#07 D/A

— say 'em loud, say 'em clear for the whole
— then you'd see and a - gree that ev - 'ry man
— and tho' I'm way o - ver - due I'd be start -

20 G/A D 1. [end] 2.

round world to hear. 2. 1
— should be free.
— ing a - new.

23 D G/A D D/A B-7 G/A D G/A

3. 1

27 3. D G/A D D/A B-7 Asus

31 B⁰7 F/C A/C# D-7 B⁰7 C B^b/C F

35 F/C F A⁷/E D-7 F⁷ B^b B^b/C

4. Well I wish I could be like a bird in the sky.

39 F⁶ B^b/C F B^b F C G⁷

How sweet it would be if I found I could fly.

43 C⁷ F A⁷/E D-7 F⁶ F⁷ B^b B^b/C F

Oh I'd soar to the sun and look down at the sea,

47 B⁰7 F/C A/C# D-7 B⁰7 C B^b/C F

Then I'd sing 'cos I know how it feels to be free.

51 B⁰7 F/C A/C# D-7 B⁰7 C B^b/C F

Then I'd sing 'cos I know how it feels to be free.

Slower ♩ = 60

55 B⁰7 F/C A/C# D-7 B⁰7 F/C B^b/C B^b/F F G⁷/F F

Yes I'd sing 'cos I know how it feels to be free!