

From: "Kirk Franklin - Hello Fear"

Before I Die

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Funky ♩ = 92

Spoken: "Come on!"

Gm9

"Brothers and sisters,"

E♭9

4

"I'm feeling real good, 'cause it ain't over."

"Right before I die, I gotta..."

6

Ladies unison
(shuffle sixteenths)

Live, live _ out my dreams, so _ I can be what He _ planned for me. Not _ just for

Gm9

8

"Right before I die I gotta..."

me, but so _ they can see _ much _ more of Him and _ less of...

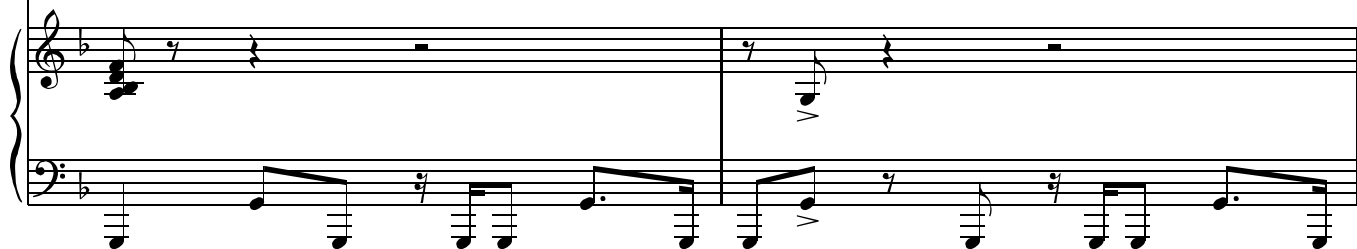
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“Wooh!”



Love my en - e-mies, for - give the past and set 'em free, so I can

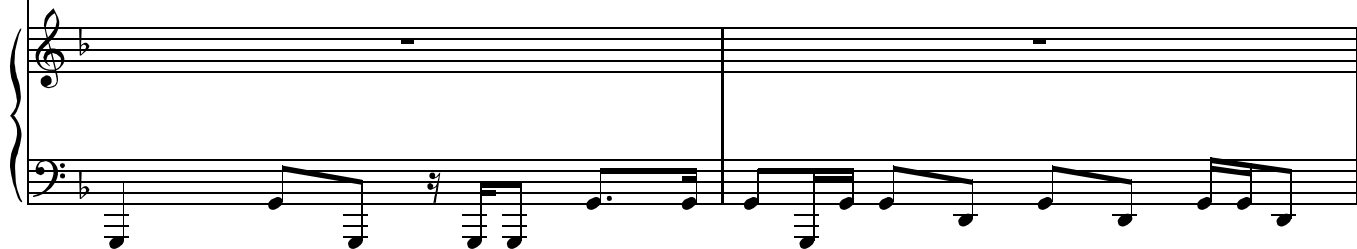
Gm9



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free, free up the things, ev - er - y bless-ing God has for me. See, it's for



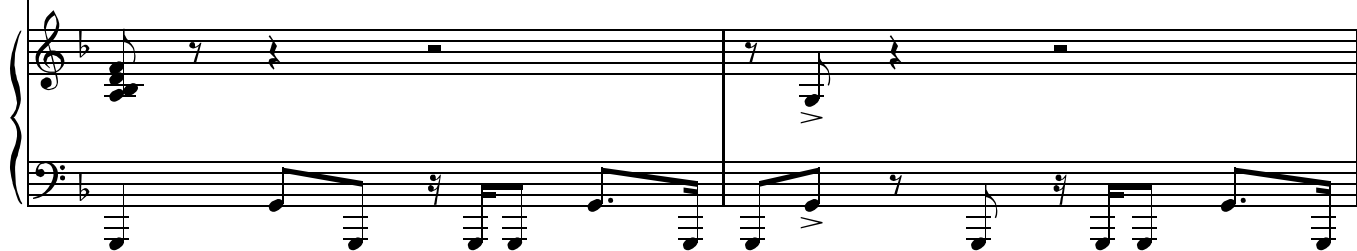
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“Ow!”



me, not just for you. I had to learn from what I've been through. I can't go

Gm9

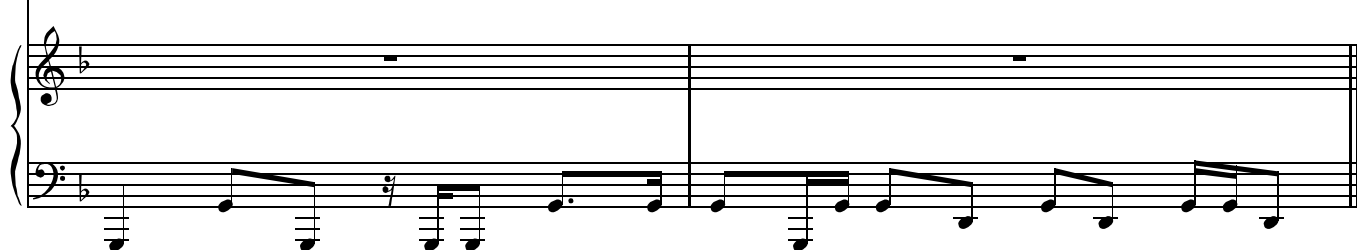


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“Uh!”



through that way a-gain, be hurt by you that way a-gain. It's not the



18 *(1st time only)* *"No, no."* *(both times)* *All* *Ladies* *All*

end. _ I used to be a-fraid to die. _ I used to be a-fraid to try, _

Gm9 Am7

20 *"Used to be afraid."* *Ladies* *All*

'cause I was too _ a - fraid of know - ing what fail - ing _ looked

Bbmaj7 Gm/C D7(#9)

22 *"But the Son..."* *Ladies* *All* *Ladies* *All*

like. But the Son came to give me life; _ now, I feel like I can touch the sky. _

Gm9 Am7

24 *"Ah, ha!"* *unison* *"Ah, ha!"* *"If you're ready, get up and live."*

I'm read - y, if you're read - y.

Bbmaj7 *Tenors* **Right**

26 *Ladies unison*

Right now. Right now. Right now. Right now. _

now. Right now. Right now. Right now. _ Right

N.C. Gm9

f

28

"Get up and live."

Right now. Right now. Right now.

now. Right now. Right now. Right

N.C. Gm9

30

"Wooh!"

Right now. Right now. Right now. Right now. _

now. Right now. Right now. Right now. _ Right

N.C. Gm9

32

To Coda ☉

“Ah! Ah! Right before I die, I gotta...”

Right now. Right now. Right now.

now. Right now. Right now.

N.C. Gm9

34

Ladies unison

Change, change how I think, change how I speak. I'm not the same, so when I

Gm9

36

“Right before I die, I gotta...”

speak, you don't hear the pain, no longer weak with no one to...

38

“Hey!”

Be - come more like You, take up my cross, to count the cost. 'Cause I was

Gm9

40 "Huh! You're the only God." *All unison*

lost, ___ that's_ why I praise You. I don't know what they do.

Coda



42 "Live to be free!"

Right now. So the next time you think of me, _

now. *Gm9* *C9*

mp

44

and you won-der where_ would I be ___ with - out_ each

Fmaj9 *Bbmaj9* *Gm/E* *A7(b5)* *A7*

46 "... that life..."

bless - ing_ that helped me_ to_ see_ life is much more than things. _

Gm9 *C9*

48

How you live is more than how you sing. When I die, what did I real - ly mean,

a few Tenors

Things, sing.

Fmaj9 Bbmaj9 Gm/E

50

I mean?

Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah.

A7

52

"Hey! Say what now! Say what! Huh! Say what now!"

That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout.

N.C. Gm9

That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout.

N.C. Gm9

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As we pro - ceed, huh, to give you what you need,

N.C. Gm9

That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout.

some - bod - y, (some - bod-y), an - y - bod - y, (an - y - bod-y), ev-'ry-bod - y (ev-'ry - bod-y) scream!

N.C. Gm9

60 *Ladies* *All* "Hey!" *Ladies* *All*

I used to be a-fraid to die. ___ I used to be a-fraid to try, _

Gm9 Am7

62 *Ladies* *All*

"I like this joint right here, man." "Huh! Hey!"

'cause I was too _ a - fraid of know - ing what fail - ing _ looked

B♭maj7 Gm/C D7(♯9)

64 *Ladies* *All* *Ladies* *All*

"But here comes the Son." "Thank You, Jesus!"

like. But the Son came to give me life, ___ now I feel like I can touch the sky. _

Gm9 Am7

66 *unison* "If you're ready, get up and live!"

I'm read - y, if you're read - y.

Tenors
Right

B♭maj7

68 *Ladies unison* "Have mercy."

Right now. Right now. Right now. Right now. _

now. Right now. Right now. Right now. _ Right

N.C. Gm9

f

70 "Huh! Get up and live!"

Right now. Right now. Right now.

now. Right now. Right now. Right

N.C. Gm9

72

"Wooh! This day will be your best day!"

Right now. Right now. Right now. Right now. Right now. Right now.

now. Right now. Right now. Right now. Right now. Right now. Right

N.C. Gm9 N.C. Gm9

75

"We're gonna finish it. Let's go!"

Right now. Right now. Right now.

now. Right now. Right now. Right now.

N.C. Gm9

77

Right now. Right now. Right now. Right now.

now. Right now. Right now. Right now. Right

N.C. Gm9

79 "Wooh!" "Lord, have mercy!"

Right now. Right now. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout.

now. Right now.

N.C. Gm9

81 "I told you it ain't over for you. I see you livin'."

That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout. That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout.

N.C. Gm9

83 "I see you makin' it. It's health. Right before I live, I have to die."

That's what I'm talk-in' 'bout.

N.C. Gm9