

I Wish I Knew How It Would Feel To Be Free (Billy Taylor)

F A7/E |Dm7 F7/A |Bb7 Bb/C|F Bb/C |
F |F C/E F |C/G G7 |Gm11/C Bb/C |
F A7/E |Dm7 F7/A |Bb7 Bb/C|Dm7 Bdim |
F/C A7/C# |Dm7 Bb |F C |F C7 |

I wish I knew how it would feel to be free
I wish I could break all the chains holding me
I wish I could say all the things that I should say
Say 'em loud, say 'em clear for the whole damn world to hear

I wish I could share all the love that's in my heart
Remove all the bars that keep us apart
I wish you could know what it means to be me
Then you'd see and agree That every man should be free

I wish I could give all I'm longing to give
I wish I could live like I'm longing to live
I wish I could do all the things that I can do
Though I'm way overdue, I'd be starting anew

Well, I wish I could be like a bird in the sky
How sweet it would be if I found I could fly
Oh, I'd soar to the sun and look down at the sea

F/C A7/C# |Dm7 G7 |

Then I'd sing 'cause I'd know, yeah (Repeat this line several times)

(slowly)

BbMaj7/C F

How it feels to be (pause) free.