

I Wish I Knew How It Would Feel to Be Free

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I wish I knew how
It would feel to be free
I wish I could break
All the chains holdin' me
I wish I could say
All the things that I should say
Say 'em loud, say 'em clear
For the whole 'round world to hear
I wish I could share
All the love that's in my heart
Remove all the thoughts
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 longin' 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
And though I'm way over due
I'd be startin' a new
Well I wish I could be
Like a bird in the sky
How sweet it would be
If I found I could fly
I'd soar up to the sun
And look down at the sea
And I'd sing 'cause I know yeah
And I'd sing 'cause I know yeah
And I'd sing 'cause I know
I'd know how it feels
I'd know how it feels to be free, yeah-yeah
I-I'd know how it feels
Yes, I'd know
I'd know how it feels, how it feels
To be free, no no no

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