

Release my spirit! This is what I need

The Church — Her Building

845

Musical score for the hymn "Release my spirit! This is what I need". The score is written in E-flat major (three flats) and common time (C). It consists of two staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature. The second staff begins with a bass clef and a common time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes. Chord symbols are placed above the notes. The lyrics are: "1. Re - lease my spir - it! This is what I need: O may my spir - it with the saints' be knit; No more in private ways Thyself to seek, But freed from self and for Thy building fit."

2. Release my spirit! This is what I ask,
That self-confined or closed I may not be;
How deep within myself I long have been,
If Thou deliver not, I'll ne'er be free.
3. Release my spirit! 'Tis for this I pray,
That from myself I fully may come forth;
Thy Spirit then through me may freely flow,
And Thou Thy presence fully may show forth.
4. Release my spirit! This is what I want,
That I from my seclusion may depart;
My private seeking poverty has brought,
Now save from self, Thy wealth to me impart.
5. Release my spirit! This is what I seek,
That prisoned in my self no more I'll be;
By Satan's cunning cheated nevermore,
But loosed from self to Thine infinity.
6. Release my spirit! 'Tis for this I yearn,
That self may bind my spirit nevermore;
With all the saints I'd mingle in Thy life,
And all Thou art enjoy forevermore.