

Someone Asked the Question

(Why We Sing)

Matt. 10:26-31; Luke 12:4-7

Kirk Franklin, 1993

1 Some-one asked the ques-tion, "Why do we sing? When we
Some-one may be won-dering when we sing our song, at

2 When the song is o-ver, we've all said "A-men," in your heart
if some-bod-y asks you, "Was it just a show," lift your

3 When we cross that riv-er to stu-dy war no more, we will
lift our hands to Je-sus what do we real-ly mean?"
times we may be cry-ing and noth-ing's real-ly wrong.
just keep on sing-ing and the song will nev-er end. And
hands and be a wit-ness and tell the whole world, "No!"
sing our song to Je-sus, the One whom we a-dore! (to Refrain)

St. 3, 2nd ending only

2 Refrain
I sing be-cause I'm hap-py! I sing be-cause I'm free!

Kirk Franklin began to compose and arrange gospel music at the age of eleven, when he was appointed Minister of Music at Mt. Rose Baptist Church in Ft. Worth, Texas. The recording of "Why We Sing" by Kirk Franklin and the Family became immediately popular.

Tune: WHY WE SING Irr.
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God's eye is on the spar-row— That's the rea-son why I sing.

(Harmony)

Glo-ry hal - le - lu - jah! You're the rea-son why I sing.

Glo-ry hal - le - lu - jah! I give the prais - es to you.

Glo-ry hal - le - lu - jah! You're the rea-son why I sing.

Jesus, Sovereign, Savior

Luke 24:13-48; John 20:19-23

Patrick M. Kirkland (1857-1943); alt.

1 Je - sus, Sov - ereign, Sav - ior, once for sin - ners slain,
 2 Faith - ful ones com - mun - ing towards the close of day,
 3 In the up - per cham - ber, fol - low - ers, in fear,

cru - ci - fied in weak - ness, raised in power to reign,
 des - o - late and wea - ry, met you on the way.
 gath - ered sad and trou - bled, there you did ap - pear.

Dwell - ing now im - mor - tal, end - less in your days,
 So, when sun is set - ting, come to us and show
 Christ, be pres - ent with us, bid our sor - rows cease;

un - to you be glo - ry, hon - or, bless - ing, praise.
 your truth, and with - in us make our hearts to glow.
 breath - ing on us, Sav - ior, say, "I give you peace."

Patrick M. Kirkland ministered to a Presbyterian church in Cheshire, England, for forty years. Named for a village near Bristol, King's Weston is one of several fine hymn tunes written by the English composer Ralph Vaughan Williams.

Tune: KING'S WESTON 6.5.6.5.D.
 Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1925