

Brighter Day

Words and Music by
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Funky groove ♩ = 86

Spoken: *Young people, go on and stand up real quick. Come on! Come on, everybody stand up. (music begins)*
(2nd time): *Don't be cute with it! You got it kid, come on!*

Cm7 F9 Bbm7 G7 (#5)

Yo, everybody, come get your bounce on, get your bounce on, get your bounce on.
Fifth one. . . fourth one . . .

3 Cm7 F9 1. Bbm7 G7 (#5) 2. Dbmaj(9)6 *Come on, sing it, uh!!*

6 *Ladies unison*
mf (shuffle 16ths)

When I close my eyes I think of You _____ and rem-i-nisce on all the things You do. _____

Cm7 F9 Bbm7 G7 (#5)

8 *CHOIR-----*

I can't im-ag-ine my life _ with_out You. It's like par-a-dise. Now _ I know that it's real.

Cm7 F9 Bbm7 G7 (#5)

Ladies unison

Come on!

(um) It's a mys-ter - y _____ for Some-one to give their life just for me. _____

Cm7 F9 Bbm7 G7 (#5 #9)

Watch this!

What You did _ on Cal - va - ry _____ makes me wan-na love You more! _ I nev-er knew _

Cm7 F9 Bbm11

add Men: 8vb

_____ I _ could be _ so hap - py. I nev-er knew _

Cm7 F9 Bbm7 G7 (#5 #9)

because ...

_____ I'd _ be so _ se - cure. _____ Be-cause of Your love _

Cm7 F9 Bbm7 G7 (#5 #9)

18 *Ladies only* *It's gon' be ...*

life _ has brand . new mean - ing. It's gon-na be a

Cm7 F9 Bbm7 G7 (#5)

20 *bright-er day, bright-er day. Come on! Everybody clap like this, clap like this ... say!*

Men bright - er day, bright - er day.

Cm7 F9 Bbm11

22 *Ladies unison*

Nev-er thought that I would smile a - gain, — I nev-er thought the dark clouds would end. —

Cm9 F13 Bbm9 G7(#5)

24

I nev-er thought that I could have a Friend — that would keep me, nev-er leave me a - lone. _

Group II

(Ooo) _____

Cm9

F13

Bbm9

G7(#5)

26

— Je-sus, You're my ev-'ry-thing, — the on-ly One that makes my heart sing. (heart . sing.)

Ladies only

Men

Cm7

F9

Bbm7

G7 (#5)
(#9)

28

Now I know . what real love means. — It's ev - er - last - ing, last - ing. I nev-er knew _

ALL

Ladies only

Come on! Come on!

Cm7

F9

Bbm7(4)

30 *add Men: 8vb*

I could be so hap - py. I nev - er knew

Cm7 F9 Bbm G7 (#5 #9)

32 *because of Your ...*

I'd be so se - cure. Be-cause of Your love

Cm7 F9 Bbm7 G7 (#5 #9)

34 *Ladies only* *gonna be ...* *To Coda* ☐

life has brand - new mean - ing. It's gon-na be a

Cm7 F9 Bbm7 G7 (#5 #9)

36 *bright-er day, bright-er day,* *1. Sing it with me one more time!* *2. Listen to this, y'all, listen!*

Men *Ladies only*

bright-er day, bright-er day. I nev - er knew

Cm7 F9 Bbm11 Bbm11

39 *Ladies only*

Noth-ing can — com - pare — to the joy — You bring —

A \flat maj7 E \flat 2/G D \flat maj7/E \flat

41 *ALL* *Jesus!*

an — ev - er - last - ing love — af - fair.

A \flat maj7 D7(#9) Gm7 D \flat maj7/E \flat

43 *I found Sop.*

Je - sus, my — life will nev - er — be — the same. — I found —

A \flat maj7 D7(#9) Gm7 Cm7 D \flat 2

Instrumental break
Vocals 1st time only

46

some-one who truly cares! cares!

Tenors

cares!

A \flat /B \flat

G7(#5)

Cm7

F9

48

(2nd time): Uh come on, and clap your hands, clap your, uh clap. Uh come on, uh come on, uh clap your hands, uh. Everybody

1.

2.

D.S. $\%$ al Coda \oplus

50

Come on, and let me hear ya!

I nev - er knew _

Coda

52

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

Cm7 F9 Ab/Bb

54

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

Abmaj7 Gm7 Fm7 Gm7 Abmaj7 Gm7 Fm7 Gm7

56

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

Abmaj7 Gm7 Fm7 Gm7 Abmaj7 Gm7 Dbmaj9

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

A♭maj7 Gm7 Fm7 Gm7 A♭maj7 Gm7 Fm7 Gm7

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

A♭maj7 Gm7 Fm7 Gm7 A♭maj7

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

Cm9 Fm9

64

1.

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

Cm9 Fm9

66

2.

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

Fm9 Cm9

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bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day, bright-er day,

Fm9 Cm9

I never knew, no!

Ladies only

I nev - er knew — I — could be — so hap -

I never knew Jesus. add Men: 8vb

Uh!

- py. I nev - er knew — I'd — be so — se - cure. —

Because of Your love...

Ladies only

Be - cause of Your love — life — has brand - new mean -

It's gonna be ...

bright - er day,

bright - er day.

- ing. It's gon - na be a *Men* bright - er day, bright - er day.