

The Hall Johnson Series OF SPIRITUALS

For 4-part chorus of mixed voices *a cappella*,
unless otherwise indicated

Octave
No.

- 9558 Oh Lord, have mercy on me [Full, S]
- 9559 When I was sinkin' down
- 9560 I've been 'buked
- 9561 Lord, I want to be a Christian [Full, S]
- 10128 Were You There? [Full, S or T]
- 10151 I Couldn't Hear Nobody Pray [Full, S & T]
- 10163 Let de Heb'n-light shine on me [T.T.B.B., Solo Barttone]
- 10275 Roll, Jerd'n, Roll
- 10278 Fix me, Jesus [Full S]
- 10301 Ain't Got Time To Die [T]
- 10345 Great Day! [Full]
- 10449 Oh, Holy Lord [Full]
- 10354 Elijah, Rock! [Full]
- 10359 Mary had a Baby [Full]
- 10483 Ride on, Jesus! [6]
- 10485 Keep A-Inchin' Along [T.T.B.B. Solo Tenor Solo]
- 10520 Oh, Freedom! [S.A.T.T.B.]
- 10608 Scandalize My Name [Full T]
- 10643 Swing dat Hammer! [T.T.B.B.B., Solo Tenor]
- 11358 Po Mo'ner Got a Home at Las' [S.A.T.T.B.B.]

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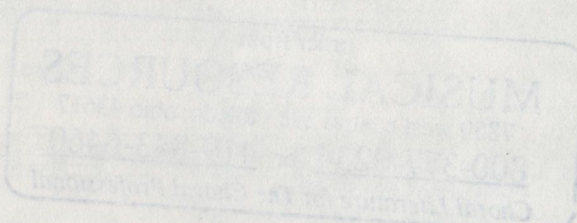
This little song is extremely syncopated, so a moderate tempo—with *sharp accents*—will give enough speed. The effect should be *bustling* but not *hurried*.

In the Verses, “clip” the *end* of each phrase to secure a sharp, clean attack on the next words, “keep” and “ain’.” Do *not* add a final *t* to the word “ain’ ” (ain’t) in this song.

At the Refrain, continue the same breath through the “hook”: (“die, ’Cause it takes”). Observe the *rest* after “takes” and make a new attack on “all.” Clip the final *s* of “Jesus” and get a long breath which will carry all the way through “cry out.” Sustain the second syllable of “Honor” (nuh). Observe carefully all rests and accents.

Neglect of these precautions will result in a loss of *crispness* which will destroy the intended effect.

H. J.



Ain't Got Time to Die

For Full Chorus of Mixed Voices and Tenor Solo
a cappella

Words and Music by
Hall Johnson

Moderato (in the style of a Spiritual)

Solo
Tenor
(not from
the H.S.)
Soprano

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Piano
(Only for
rehearsal)

Moderato (in the style of a Spiritual)

Lord, — I keep so bus-y prais - in' my Je - sus,

4 keep so bus-y prais - in' my Je - sus, keep so bus-y prais -

5 Keep so bus-y prais - in' my Je - sus, keep so bus-y prais -

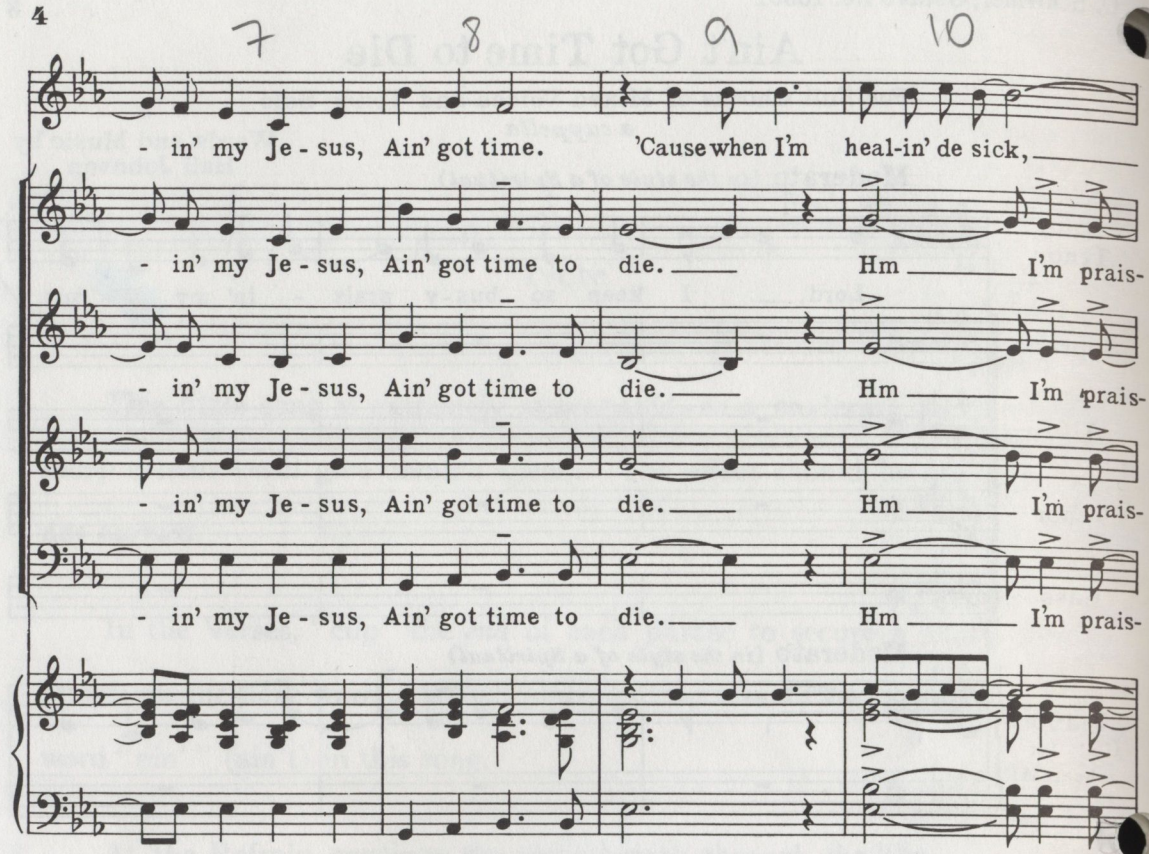
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Keep so bus-y prais - in' my Je - sus, keep so bus-y prais -

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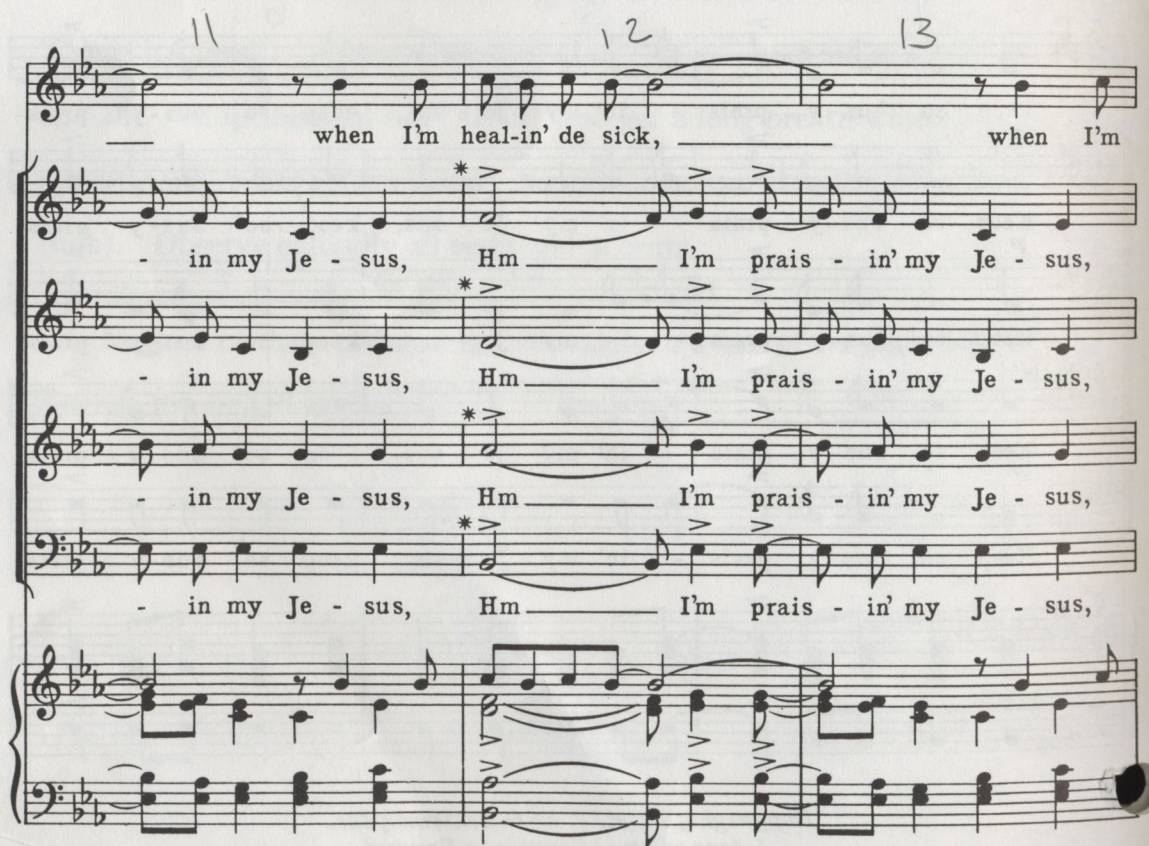
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- in' my Je - sus, Ain' got time. 'Cause when I'm heal-in' de sick, -
 - in' my Je - sus, Ain' got time to die. Hm I'm prais-
 - in' my Je - sus, Ain' got time to die. Hm I'm prais-
 - in' my Je - sus, Ain' got time to die. Hm I'm prais-
 - in' my Je - sus, Ain' got time to die. Hm I'm prais-

11 12 13



when I'm heal-in' de sick, when I'm
 - in my Je - sus, Hm I'm prais - in' my Je - sus,
 - in my Je - sus, Hm I'm prais - in' my Je - sus,
 - in my Je - sus, Hm I'm prais - in' my Je - sus,
 - in my Je - sus, Hm I'm prais - in' my Je - sus,

* Continue the Hum into the phrase.

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heal-in' de sick,

Hm I'm prais - in' my Je - sus, Ain' got time to

Hm I'm prais - in' my Je - sus, Ain' got time to

Hm I'm prais - in' my Je - sus, Ain' got time to

Hm I'm prais - in' my Je - sus, Ain' got time to

altos

17

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19

same breath

'Cause it takes all o' ma time,

die. same breath

'Cause it takes all o' ma time to praise my Je - sus,

die. same breath

'Cause it takes all o' ma time to praise my Je - sus,

die. same breath

'Cause it takes all o' ma time to praise my Je - sus,

die. 'Cause it takes all o' ma time to praise my Je - sus,

all o' ma time_ to praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de

all o' ma time_ to praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de

all o' ma time_ to praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de

all o' ma time_ to praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de

rocks gon-ter cry out, "Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo - ry an' hon - or!"

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* Sing: Glorian hon-nuh!

26

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29

7

*the same musical material**mf*

Lord, I keep so bus-y work - in fer de King-dom,

Ain' got time to die.

Ain' got time to die.

Ain' got time to die.

Ain' got time to die.

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keep so bus-y work - in' fer de King-dom, keep so bus-y work-

Keep so bus-y work - in' fer de King-dom, keep so bus-y work-

Keep so bus-y work - in' fer de King-dom, keep so bus-y work-

Keep so bus-y work - in' fer de King-dom, keep so bus-y work-

Keep so bus-y work - in' fer de King-dom, keep so bus-y work-

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- in fer de King-dom, Ain' got time. 'Cause when I'm
 - in fer de King-dom, Ain' got time to die.
 - in fer de King-dom, Ain' got time to die.
 - in fer de King-dom, Ain' got time to die.
 - in fer de King-dom, Ain' got time to die.

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37

38

mf feed-in' de po', when I'm feed-in' de po',
mf Hm I'm work-in' fer de King-dom, Hm I'm work-
mf Hm I'm work-in' fer de King-dom, Hm I'm work-
mf Hm I'm work-in' fer de King-dom, Hm I'm work-
mf Hm I'm work-in' fer de King-dom, Hm I'm work-

39 40

when I'm feed - in' de po',
 - in' fer de King - dom, Hm I'm work -
 - in' fer de King - dom, Hm I'm work -
 - in' fer de King - dom, Hm I'm work -
 - in' fer de King - dom, Hm I'm work -

41 42 43

'Cause_ it takes
 - in' fer de King - dom, Ain' got time to die. 'Cause_ it takes
 - in' fer de King - dom, Ain' got time to die. 'Cause_ it takes
 - in' fer de King - dom, Ain' got time to die. 'Cause_ it takes
 - in' fer de King - dom, Ain' got time to die. 'Cause_ it takes
 - in' fer de King - dom, Ain' got time to die. 'Cause_ it takes

44 45 46

all o' ma time, _____ all o' ma time. _____

all o' ma time_ to praise my Je - sus, all o' ma time_ to

all o' ma time_ to praise my Je - sus, all o' ma time_ to

all o' ma time_ to praise my Je - sus, all o' ma time_ to

all o' ma time_ to praise my Je - sus, all o' ma time_ to

all o' ma time_ to praise my Je - sus, all o' ma time_ to

47 48 49

praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out,

praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out,

praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out,

praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out,

50 51 52 53

mp

"Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo-ry an' hon - or!" Lord, I

"Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die.

"Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die.

"Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die.

"Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die.

54 55 56 57

p

keep so bus-y serv - in' my Mas-ter, Keep so bus-y serv - in' my Mas-ter,

p

Keep so bus-y serv - in' my Mas-ter,

p

Keep so bus-y serv - in' my Mas-ter,

p

Keep so bus-y serv - in' my Mas-ter,

p

Keep so bus-y serv - in' my Mas-ter,

58 59 60 61

Keep so bus-y serv - in' my Mas-ter, Ain' got time. 'Cause when I'm
 Keep so bus-y serv - in' my Mas-ter, Ain' got time to die.____
 Keep so bus-y serv - in' my Mas-ter, Ain' got time to die.____
 Keep so bus-y serv - in' my Mas-ter, Ain' got time to die.____
 Keep so bus-y serv - in' my Mas-ter, Ain' got time to die.____

62 63 64

mp giv-in' my all, when I'm giv-in my all,
 (Sopranos, obligato)

Hm _____

(Open) *p* _____ *mp* _____

p Hm _____ I'm serv - in' my Mas - ter *mp* Hm _____ I'm serv-
p Hm _____ I'm serv - in' my Mas - ter *mp* Hm _____ I'm serv-
p Hm _____ I'm serv - in' my Mas - ter *mp* Hm _____ I'm serv-
p Hm _____ I'm serv - in' my Mas - ter *mp* Hm _____ I'm serv-

65 66 67

when I'm giv-in' my all.

Hm

mf in' my Mas ter, Hm I'm serv - in' my Mas - ter,

mf in' my Mas ter, Hm I'm serv - in' my Mas - ter,

mf in' my Mas ter, Hm I'm serv - in' my Mas - ter,

mf in' my Mas ter, Hm I'm serv - in' my Mas - ter,

68 69 70

'Cause it takes all o' ma time,

ain' got time to die, 'Cause it takes all o' ma time to

ain' got time to die, 'Cause it takes all o' ma time to

ain' got time to die, 'Cause it takes all o' ma time to

ain' got time to die, 'Cause it takes all o' ma time to

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all o' my time.

praise my Je - sus, all o' my time_ to praise my Lord. If

praise my Je - sus, all o' my time_ to praise my Lord. If

praise my Je - sus, all o' my time_ to praise my Lord. If

praise my Je - sus, all o' my time_ to praise my Lord. If

74 75 76

I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out, "Glo-ry an' hon - or,

I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out, "Glo-ry an' hon - or,

I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out, "Glo-ry an' hon - or,

I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out, "Glo-ry an' hon - or,

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(Sopranos, obligato)

Now, won't you git

glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die Now, won't you git

glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die Now, won't you git

glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die Now, won't you git

glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die Now, won't you git

out o' ma way, _____ Git out o' ma way!

out o' ma way, _____ Git out o' ma way!

out o' ma way, lem-me praise my Je - sus? Out o' ma way! Lem - me

out o' ma way, lem-me praise my Je - sus? Out o' ma way! Lem - me

out o' ma way, lem-me praise my Je - sus? Out o' ma way! Lem - me

out o' ma way, lem-me praise my Je - sus? Out o' ma way! Lem - me

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Sopranos Unison

praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out,

praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out,

praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out,

praise my Lord. If I don' praise Him de rocks gon-ter cry out,

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"Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die!

"Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die!

"Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die!

"Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die!

"Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die!

"Glo-ry an' hon - or, glo-ry an' hon - or!" Ain' got time to die!

