

Soon I Will Be Done

SATB a cappella

Words: Trad. Spiritual

Music: Trad. Spiritual
Arrangement: Markus Dettnerbeck

mf

S

Piano/Klavier
(for rehearsal)

ca. 84

Soon I will be done (a) with the trou-bles of the world, the trou-bles of the world, the

mf

S

trou-bles of the world. Soon I will be done (a) with the trou-bles of the world, go-in' home to live with

mf

B

Oh, soon I will be done with the trou-bles, with the trou-bles of the world, go-in' home to live with

mf

S

God.

A

with the trou-bles, with the trou-bles of the world, the trou-bles of the world, the

mf

T

Done, trou-bles,-

mf

B

God.

Done with the trou-bles, with the trou-bles of the world, yes, the trou-bles of the world, the

mf

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*) vowel inserted as rhythmic accent / *eingefügter Vokal als rhythmischer Akzent*

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trou-bles of the world. Soon I will be done (a) with the troubles of the world, go in' home, (stomp) to live with
 trou-bles of the world. I'm done with the troubles, with the troubles of the world, go in' home, (stomp) to live with
 - with the trou-bles, yes, the world, go in' home, (stomp) to live with
 trou-bles of the world. I'm done with the troubles, with the troubles of the world, go in' home, (stomp) to live with



B

16 God. 1. weep-in' and (a) wail-ing, no more weep-in' and (a) wail-ing,
 God.
 God, 1. Doo
 doo, soon. Doo doo




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no more— weep-in' and (a) wail-ing, go - in' home
 (stomp) to live with God.

mp

1. Doo doo doo doo doo, (stomp) to— live with God.
 Oh, soon will be
 doo doo doo doo doo, (stomp) to live with God.

doo doo doo doo doo, (stomp) to live with God.

C

25 *mf*

Soon I will be done (with the troubles of the world, the troubles of the world, the troubles of the world.)

done with the troubles of the world, the troubles of the world, the troubles of the world. I'm

mf

Oh, soon I will be



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Soon I will be done (a) with the trou-bles of the world, go - in' home
(stomp)
done with the trou-bles, with the trou-bles of the world, go - in' home to
(stomp)
God to live with God
done with the trou-bles, with the trou-bles of the world, go - in' home to live with God, soon.
(stomp)



D

33 f

2. Soon no more weepin' and (a) wail - - - ing, no more weepin' and (a) wail-ing,
f
2. Soon no more weepin' and (a) wail - - - ing, no more weepin' and (a) wail-ing,
mf
2. Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo wail - - - ing, no more weepin' and (a) wail-ing,
mf
2. Doo weepin' and (a) wail-ing,




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soon go-in' home (stomp) to live with God.

soon go-in' home (stomp) to live with God.

weep' and wail-ing, go-in' home (stomp) to live with God.

soon go-in' home (stomp) to live with God.

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trou-bles of the world, the trou-bles of the world, the trou-bles of the world.

trou-bles of the world, the trou-bles of the world, the trou-bles of the world. I'm

Done, trou-bles, with the trou-bles,

bles of the world, yes, the trou-bles of the world, the trou-bles of the world. I'm



45

Soon I will be done (a) with the troubles of the world, go - in' home, (stomp) to live with God.

done with the troubles, with the troubles of the world, go - in' home, (stomp) to live with God.

- yes, the trou - bles of the world, go - in' (stomp) to live with God, soon.

done with the troubles, with the trou - bles of the world, home, (stomp) to live with God, soon.

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3. O - ver, to meet my moth - er, o - ver,

3. O - ver, to meet my moth - er, o - ver, to

3. Doo doo

mf



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meet my moth-er, go -in' home to live with God.
(stomp)

meet my moth-er, go -in' home to live with God.
(stomp)

doo_doo_doo, go -in' home to live with God.
(stomp)

Soon,

Soon, so will be done with the trou-bles, with the

(stomp)

58

hum,

no more trou-bles, soon,

no more trou-bles, soon,

no more trou-bles, soon,

cresc.

trou-bles of the world, the trou-bles of the world, the trou-bles of the world. I'm done with the troubles, with the



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go-in' home (stomp) to live with God.

no more troubles, go-in' home (stomp) to live with God.

no more troubles, go-in' home (stomp) to live with God.

troubles of the world, go-in' home (stomp) to live with God.

Oh, soon there will be

Soon I will be done (a) with the

troubles of the world, go-in' home (stomp) to live with God.

66 *f*

Soon there will be no more troubles, more troubles in this world.

no more troubles, soon, there will be no more troubles.

troubles of the world,

troubles of the world,

troubles of the world,

troubles of the world, yes, the troubles of the world, the troubles of the; soon I will be



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No more troubles go-in' home, (stomp) to live with God.

Oh, soon there will be no more troubles go-in' home, (stomp) to live with God.

Soon I will be done (a) with the troubles of the world, go-in' home, (stomp) to live with God.

done (a) with the troubles, with the troubles of the world, go-in' home, (stomp) to live with God. Oh, soon I will be

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Hum, hum,

Hum, hum,

Hum, hum,

the troubles of the world, yes, the troubles of the world, the troubles of the world; soon I will be



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cresc.

aw, _____ go - in' home, (stomp) God.

cresc.

aw, _____ go - in' home, (stomp) God.

cresc.

aw, _____ go - in' home, (stomp) God.

cresc.

done (a) with the troubles, with the troubles of the world go - in' home, (stomp) to live with God.

f (p) (pp)

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f (p) (pp)

Epilogue

This arrangement was inspired by my encounter with the *Black Voices*, a singing group from Ghana and working in England. This encounter took place in Ghana in 1996, close to one of the old fortresses used in the slave trade. At that time, a music festival was being held, at which many Afro-Americans had traveled to search for their roots.

African roots play an important role in this arrangement of an Afro-American Gospel. In Africa music usually has a cyclical structure. Rhythmic and melodic patterns become the cornerstones of the "composition process". The principle of cyclical recurrence is embedded in the consciousness of African music. This arrangement falls back on this fundamental principle of African music and limits itself to just a few musical phrases, which in the course of the piece are illuminated from different sides. This results in a continuous sound and rhythm in which both singers and audience can immerse themselves in an almost meditative fashion.

Sachwort

Das vorliegende Arrangement wurde durch ein Treffen mit den *Black Voices*, einer Gesangsgruppe, die in England lebt und arbeitet, inspiriert. Das Zusammentreffen fand 1996 in Ghana nahe einer der alten Sklavenburgen statt. Zu einem Musikfest waren damals viele Afro-Amerikaner angereist, die sich auf der Suche nach ihren Wurzeln gemacht hatten.

Afrikanische Wurzeln spielen in diesem Arrangement eines afro-amerikanischen Gospels eine wichtige Rolle. In Afrika ist der Ablauf der Musik meist zyklisch gestaltet. Rhythmische und melodische Patterns bilden die Grundbausteine des „Kompositionssprozesses“. Das Prinzip zyklischer Wiederkehr ist tief im Bewusstsein afrikanischer Musiker verankert. Das Arrangement greift auf dieses Grundprinzip afrikanischer Musik zurück und beschränkt sich auf einige wenige musikalische Phrasen, die im Verlauf des Stücks von verschiedenen Seiten ausgeleuchtet werden. Damit entsteht ein klangliches und rhythmisches Kontinuum, in das Sänger und Zuhörer nahezu meditativ eintauchen können.

