

Mp3 Stephen Springfield - Gospel: Contemporary Gospel



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Contemporary Christian Lyrical Pop Music In The Tradition of Billy Joel/Elton John 7 MP3 Songs

GOSPEL: Contemporary Gospel, POP: Piano Details: Stephen Springfield is a pianist, singer songwriter in the tradition of Billy Joel Elton John, but with uplifting and often poignant Christian themes. In the opening song on his self-titled album, "Do Your Will", he contrasts a rhythmic latin-jazz piano with smooth, strong vocal reminiscent of Rob Thomas. The song expresses an optimistic resolve that exists just after Christian repentance and the desire to move past sin and live under God's will. Take Me Home works as both a ballad and a hymn. Although thoroughly modern in texture, this song has a congregational form and quality. Stephen wrote this song as an extended "sinner's prayer". First inspired by the reach and impact of the hymn "Amazing Grace", his vision is that in moments of despair or crisis, people both saved and unsaved would be able to recite essential elements of salvation as contained in a similarly simple song. The Truth is a toe-tapping lyrical song that reminds us of the simplicity of the gospel message. It is jazzy and crisp in style and has plenty of hook to keep you singing long after the song ends. Charlie's Song combines a Country Western narrative style chorus spiced with some "Bruce Hornsby" piano riffs. The lyrics are based on the real and all-to-frequent story of a likeable, honest hard-working man convinced that these traits should be enough to get him to heaven. This one has an engaging character in Charlie and happily, an uplifting finish. Stephen was compelled to write Landon's Puzzle after the death of 4-year old Landon. "It was as if the pain gripped me, that afternoon following Landon's passing, and wouldn't let me breathe until I had finished the song". Landon had physical challenges from the day he was born, but seemed almost prodigious with jigsaw puzzles. Unfortunately, his death brings to mind a puzzle all of us have to face at one time or another - an attempt to attach meaning to life and the suffering that accompanies it. If you don't listen to this song, at least read the

lyrics and I promise they will find immediate application in your life, or those whom you love. More Than I Could Ask was the first song written on this album and is an anthem to glorify our Savior Jesus Christ. This song is an instant classic with soulful vocals, memorable piano vignettes, orchestral counter melodies and a dramatic climax. This song has a broad appeal. Paradise is an piano-based instrumental inspired by Jesus' statement to the thief on the cross "...today you will be with Me in paradise...". This music takes you from your present mood, pulls you in and then takes you on a textured journey with some jazz and new age elements that are purposed and never formulaic. It is a song that is at once relaxing and provoking. Although Stephen composed, performed and recorded all of the music on this self-titled album, he is primarily a songwriter seeking to do business with publishers, artists producers looking for Christian music. Stephen is a full-time marketing executive for a Fortune 100 company and lives in McKinney, Texas with his wife and 4 daughters.

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