277. My song is love unknown



Concert key: E^b major

Chords key: E^b major (concert)

Structure: 7 verses

Verse 1:

 G^7 E_p B^bm⁷ F^{b7} A^b Cm My song is love unknown, my saviour's love to me,

 B^{b7} G^7 Fsus⁷ Cm love to the loveless shown, that they might lovely be.

G^bmaj⁷ Abmaj7 who am I? That for his sake

Fm⁷ B^{b7} E^b F^b B^{b7} Cm^7 Cm⁷ Fm⁷ my Lord should take frail flesh and die?

Verse 2:

He came from his blest throne. salvation to bestow: but they made strange, and none He made the lame to run, the longed-for Christ would know he gave the blind their sight. But O my Friend, my Friend indeed, who at my need his life did spend!

Verse 3:

Sometimes they strew his way, and his sweet praises sing; resounding all the day hosannas to their King. Then 'Crucify!' is all their breath. and for his death they thirst and cry.

Verse 4:

Why, what has my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? Sweet injuries! Yet they at these themselves displease, and 'gainst him rise.

Verse 5:

They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made away; a murderer they save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet cheerful he to suffering goes, that he his foes from thence might free.

Verse 6:

In life no house, no home, my Lord on earth might have; in death, no friendly tomb but what a stranger gave. What may I say? Heaven was his home: but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

Verse 7:

Here might I stay and sing, no story so divine: never was love, dear King, never was grief like thine! This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend.