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I'll Build A Stairway To Paradise

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Animato

Piano

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It begins with a series of eighth notes and quarter notes, moving up the scale. The left hand starts with a bass clef and plays a steady accompaniment of quarter notes and eighth notes. The tempo marking 'Animato' is written above the staff.

pl *E♭7*

All you Preach-ers Who de-light in pan-ning the

The first line of lyrics is set to a melody in the right hand. The piano accompaniment continues in the left hand. Handwritten annotations include 'pl' above the first measure and 'E♭7' above the second measure. A triplet of eighth notes is marked with a '3' above it.

A♭7 *E1* *A7*

danc-ing teach-ers Let me tell you there are a lot of fea-tures

The second line of lyrics continues the melody. Handwritten annotations include 'A♭7' above the first measure, 'E1' above the second measure, and 'A7' above the fifth measure. A triplet of eighth notes is marked with a '3' above it.

Including WHAT IS THIS THING CALLED LOVE, LOVE FOR SALE, LET'S DO IT, and others

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F7 *Bb* *A7* *A67* *G7* *F#7* *F7*

Of the dance that car - ry you through The gates of Heav - en

Bb *F#7* *B7*

It's mad - ness To be al - ways sit - ting a - round in sad - ness

G7 *C* *A67*

When you could be learn - ing the steps of glad - ness You'll be hap - py when you can

D6 *C7* *B7* *Bb7* *A7* *A67* *G* *F+*

do just six or sev - en Be - gin to - day! You'll

F G7 C G7 C G7

find it nice The quick-est way to Par - a - dise

F7 C-F# B7 G-Em Dm C7

When you prac-tise Here's the thing to do Sim-ply say as you go. —

Refrain *Con spirito*

p-f C7 C

I'll build a stair-way to Par - a - dise With a new step ev - 'ry

C7 F F7

day! I'm going to get there at a - ny price Stand a -

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D7 *am* *G7* *C*

-side I'm on my way! I've got the blues And up a -

A69

-bove it's so fair Shoes! Go on and car-ry me there!

C *G7*

I'll build a stair-way to Par - a - dise, With a

D7 *G7* *C1* *2*

new step ev - 'ry day. day.

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