

# Take Me to the Water

1 Take me to the wa - ter. Take me to the wa -  
 2 I love Je - sus. I love Je -  
 3 He's my Sav - ior. He's my Sav -  
 4 Glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah. Glo - ry hal - le - lu -

ter. Take me to the wa - ter to be bap - tized.  
 sus. I love Je - sus, yes, I do.  
 ior. He's my Sav - ior, yes, he is.  
 jah. Glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah to be bap - tized.

This African American spiritual sums up the commitment of a candidate for baptism: the request for the rite, an expression of motivation, and a succinct affirmation of faith. The widening melodic lines build anticipation and give weight to the final phrase of each stanza.

TEXT and MUSIC: African American spiritual

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 for Psalm 42

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