

How to Play  
**I Need Thee Every Hour**

Learn the 1<sup>st</sup> Line

**Step #1:** Learn the first line with your **right hand** only.

Musical notation for Step 1: Right hand only. Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 3/4 time signature. Notes: G, B, A, G, F#, G, G, G, A, G, E, D.

**Step #2:** Learn the first line with your **left hand** only.

Musical notation for Step 2: Left hand only. Bass clef, key signature of one sharp (F#), 3/4 time signature. Notes: G, G, C, D, D, G, G, C, C, G.

**Step #3:** Learn the first line **right hand and left hand together**. Don't forget the F# in the right hand!

Musical notation for Step 3: Right hand and left hand together. Treble and bass clefs, key signature of one sharp (F#), 3/4 time signature. Notes: G, B, A, G, F#, G, G, G, A, G, E, D.

**Step #4: Learn the right hand chords.** To make this easier, you can think of them as intervals. You will notice that the first 7 chords are all 6ths, so when you move your fingers, just keep the same interval in your hand, just moving them up and down according to the music.

6<sup>th</sup> ----- 5<sup>th</sup>      5<sup>th</sup>      3<sup>rd</sup>

**Step #5: Learn the left hand chords.**

5<sup>th</sup>    8va    3<sup>rd</sup>      5<sup>th</sup>-----    3<sup>rd</sup>      3<sup>rd</sup>      8va

**Step #6: Combine both hands together!**

1. I need thee ev - 'ry hour, Most gra - cious Lord.  
 2. I need thee ev - 'ry hour; Stay thou near - by.  
 3. I need thee ev - 'ry hour, In joy or pain.  
 4. I need thee ev - 'ry hour, Most ho - ly One.

## Learn the 2<sup>nd</sup> Line

**Step #1:** Learn the second line with your **right hand** only.

D A B A D B G F# G F# E D

**Step #2:** Learn the second line with your **left hand** only.

D D D D D G G A A D

**Step #3:** Learn the first second **right hand and left hand together**. Don't forget the F# in the right hand!

**Step #4: Learn the right hand chords.** To make this easier, you can think of them as intervals.

5<sup>th</sup>----- 6<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>-----

**Step #5: Learn the left hand chords.**

3<sup>rd</sup>----- 4<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>----- 3<sup>rd</sup> 8va 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Step #6: Combine both hands together!**

No ten - der voice like thine Can peace af - ford.  
 Temp - ta - tions lose their pow'r When thou art nigh.  
 Come quick - ly and a - bide, Or life is vain.  
 Oh, make me thine in - deed, Thou bless - ed Son!

# Learn the 3<sup>rd</sup> Line

**Step #1:** Learn the third line with your **right hand** only.

B B G C B B A A G B A A G

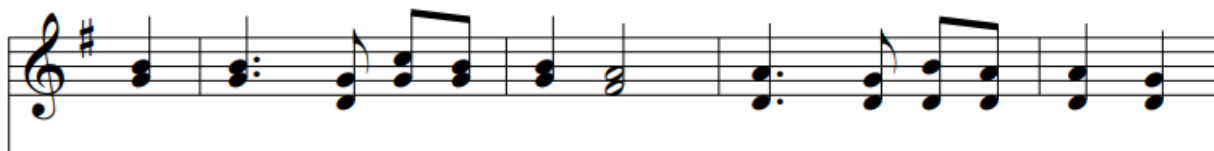
**Step #2:** Learn the third line with your **left hand** only.

G G G G G D D D D D G G

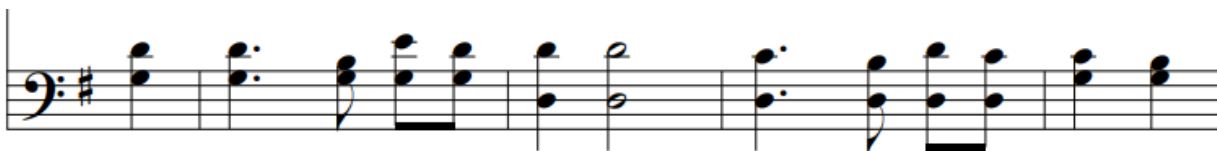
**Step #3:** Learn the third line **right hand and left hand** together.

**Step #4: Learn the right hand chords.** To make this easier, you can think of them as intervals.

3<sup>rd</sup> ----- 4<sup>th</sup> ---- 3<sup>rd</sup>----- 5<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup>----- 4<sup>th</sup>



**Step #5: Learn the left hand chords.**



5<sup>th</sup> ----- 3<sup>rd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 8va --- 7<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 8va 7<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Step #6: Combine both hands together!**

I need thee, oh, I need thee; Ev - 'ry hour I need thee!

## Learn the 4<sup>th</sup> Line

**Step #1:** Learn the fourth line with your **right hand** only.



Musical notation for Step 1, right hand only. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody consists of the following notes: G4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter).

**Step #2:** Learn the fourth line with your **left hand** only.



Musical notation for Step 2, left hand only. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody consists of the following notes: B3 (quarter), C3 (quarter), C3 (quarter), C3 (quarter), C3 (quarter), G3 (quarter), B3 (quarter), C3 (quarter), D3 (quarter), D3 (quarter), G3 (quarter).

**Step #3:** Learn the fourth line **right hand and left hand** together.



Musical notation for Step 3, right and left hand together. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The notation shows the right hand and left hand playing the same melody as in Steps 1 and 2, respectively.

**Step #4: Learn the right hand chords.** To make this easier, you can think of them as intervals.

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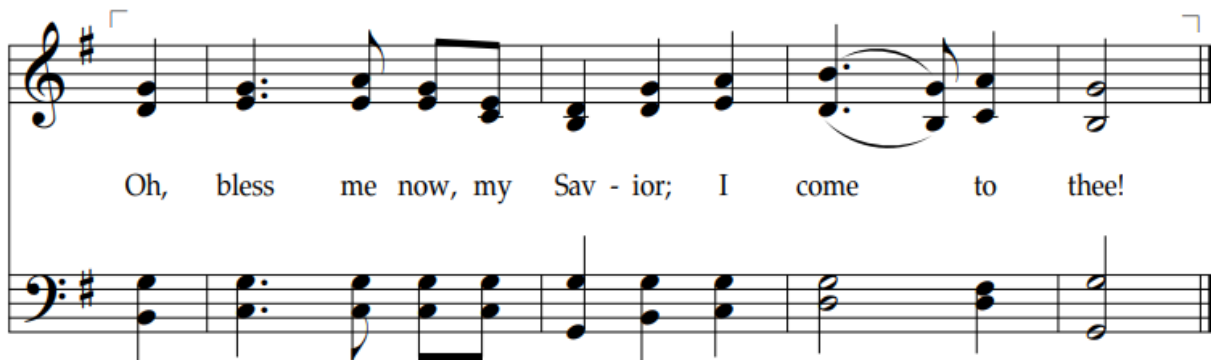


**Step #5: Learn the left hand chords.**



6<sup>th</sup>    5<sup>th</sup>-----    8va 6<sup>th</sup>    5<sup>th</sup>    4<sup>th</sup>    3<sup>rd</sup>    8va

**Step #6: Combine both hands together!**



Congratulations. Now you can combine all the lines together to play the whole song of *I Need Thee Every Hour!*



