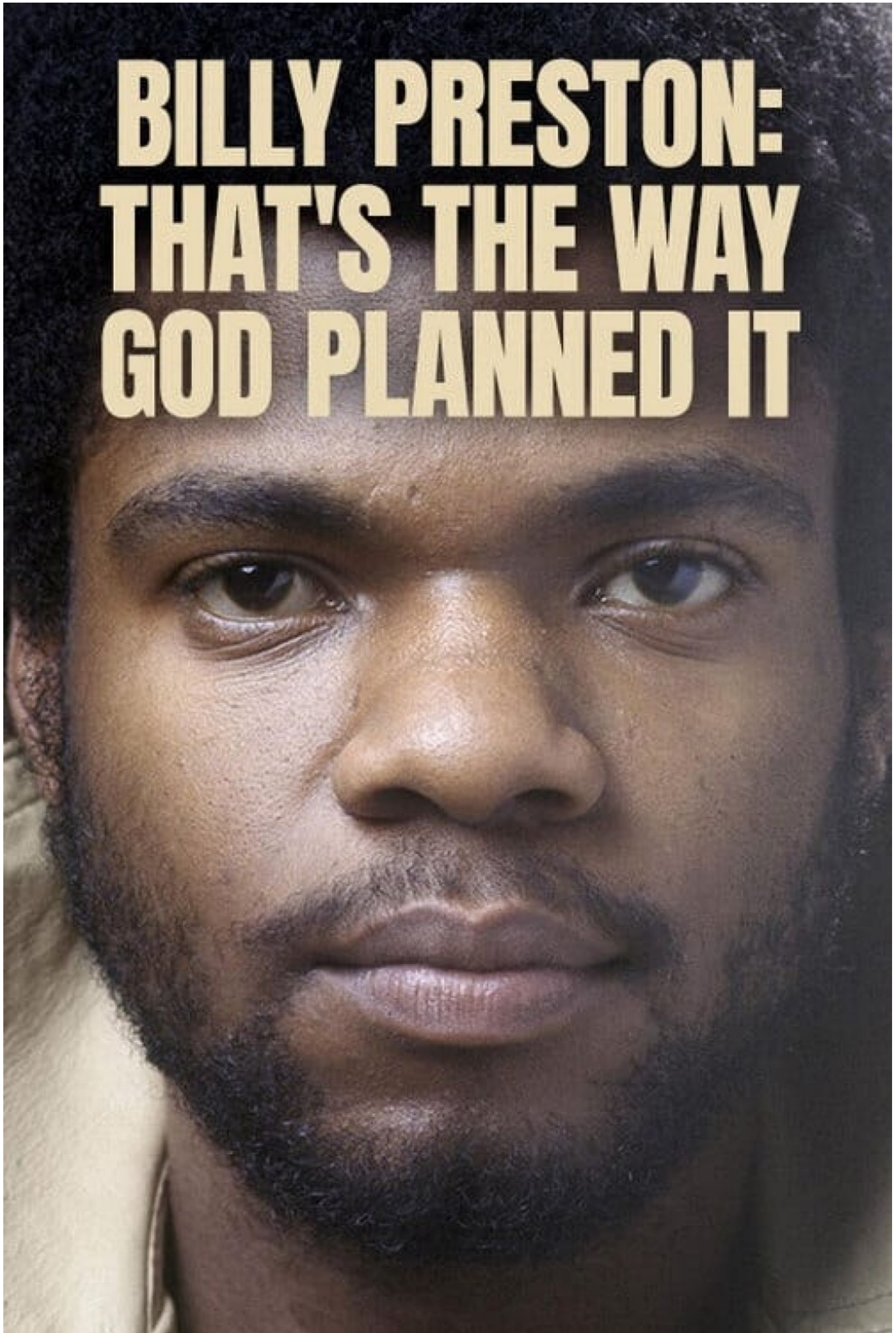


Exclusive Viewing of Documentary about Billy Preston

For One Night Only! "Billy Preston: That's The Way God Planned It" Plus, The Late Show's Gospel Choir Sing Billy's Hits

BILLY PRESTON: THAT'S THE WAY GOD PLANNED IT



Trenton, New Jersey May 11, 2026 (IssueWire.com) - *Exclusive Film Screening* **May 19, 2026**

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With Special Guests - **The LATE SHOW'S GOSPEL CHOIR**

At The Cutting Room, 44 E. 32nd Street, New York, NY

Doors open: 6:00 PM | Showtime: 7:00 PM

One Night Screening of "Billy Preston: That's The Way God Planned It"

Hey, Gospel & Rock Music lovers! Here's a nostalgic event on Tuesday, May 19th, that you don't want to miss! The controversial life story of one of Gospel's most gifted organists, Billy Preston, has finally come to the big screen. For one night only, The Cutting Room, at 44 East 32nd Street, between Park & Madison Avenues in Midtown Manhattan, presents this exclusive film screening of **"Billy Preston: That's The Way God Planned It."**

Before this film shows, the famed Late Show's Gospel Choir, formerly of CBS TV'S "LATE SHOW WITH DAVID LETTERMAN," will sing several of Billy Preston's hits: "Nothing from Nothing," "Will It Go Round in Circles?" and other favorites. This awesome choir started singing on "THE LATE SHOW" in October 1995, singing before millions of viewers, and now, they're celebrating their 30th Anniversary, spreading their soulful messages of love, peace, and unity all over the globe.

"Billy Preston: That's the Way God Planned It" is an exhilarating documentary about the legendary Grammy-winning musician whose signature sound shaped the work of The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Ray Charles, Sly Stone, Aretha Franklin, and countless others. This outstanding film was written by Paris Barclay & Cheo Hodari Coker. It features never-before-seen archival footage, studio outtakes, and rare photos that give an intimate portrayal of Billy Preston's life.

Billy Preston was perhaps the most unsung musical hero of his time. Born in Houston, Texas, in 1946, he & his family moved to Los Angeles three years later. At just 5 years old, he was backing gospel legend Mahalia Jackson. By age 10, he was appearing with Ray Charles on film, and by age 15, he was touring with Little Richard in Hamburg, Germany, where he met Richard's opening act — The Beatles. He would later perform and record with them and the biggest names in music, including Eric Clapton, Barbra Streisand, Johnny Cash, Neil Diamond, the Red-Hot Chili Peppers, and countless others. He generated his own unforgettable No. 1 hits, including "Outa-Space," "Will It Go Round in Circles," "Nothing from Nothing," and "You Are So Beautiful" — and his first hit single in 1969, on The Beatles' Apple Records, "That's The Way God Planned It," produced by his lifelong friend, George Harrison. But Billy had quietly held secrets about his sexuality and early sexual abuse, known to very few in his life, which tormented him his entire life, affecting not only his well-being and relationships but also influencing his career choices. It is the interweaving of these complicated aspects of this wonderful musician's life with his extraordinary musical career that Emmy-winning director Paris Barclay has so thoughtfully crafted in **"Billy Preston: That's the Way God Planned It."**

Tickets for this concert plus a film showing are \$32.90 in advance. Please click the link below for tickets and more info.

<https://www.eventim.us/event/billy-preston-thats-the-way-god-planned-it/689398>

For bookings of The Late Show's Gospel Choir, please visit their website at:

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