

I'm Not The Man
10000 Maniacs

Intro: Ab Cm Fm Cm Db... / Ab - Db... Db / (2x)

Fm Db Eb Fm
It crawls on his back, won't ever let him be
Db Eb Fm
Stares at the walls until the cinder blocks can breathe
Db Eb Fm
His eyes have gone away, escaping over time
Db Eb Fm
He rules a crowded nation... inside his mind

Ab Cm Fm Cm Db... / Ab - Db... Db / (2x)

Fm Db Eb Fm
He knows that night like his hand, he knows every move he made
Db Eb Fm
Late shift, the bell that rang, a time card... won't... fade
Db Eb Fm
10:05 his truck pulled home, 10:05 he climbed his stair
Db Eb Fm
About the time he was accused of being there

Ab Cm Fm Cm...

Db... / Ab - Db... Db / (2x)

But I'm not the man

Ab Eb/G Ab Db
He goes free as I... wait on the row...

Ab Eb/G Ab Db
For the man... to test the rope he'll slip around my... throat...

Ab - Cm - / Fm... Fm / (2x)

and silen... ce me

Fm Db Eb Fm
On the day he was tried no witness testified
Db Eb Fm
Nothing but evidence, not... hard to falsify
Db Eb Fm
His own confession was a prosecutor's prize
Db Eb Fm
made up of fear, of rage... and of outright lies

Ab Cm Fm Cm...

Db / Ab - Db D / (2x)

But I'm not the man

Ab Eb/G Ab Db

He goes free as the candle vigil glows

Ab Eb/G Ab Db

As they... burn my clothes

/ **Ab - Cm - Fm / Fm - Ab**

Eb/G Ab Db Ab

As the cro... owd cries... Hang him... slow!

Eb/G Ab Db Ab Cm Fm / Fm / (2x)

And I... feel my... blood go... cold... he goes... free

Fm Db Eb Fm

Db Eb Fm

Call out the KKK, they re... wild after me

Db Eb Fm

And with that frenzied look of half-demented zeal

Db Eb Fm

they d love to serve me up my... final... meal

Db Eb Fm

Db Eb Fm Db Eb Fm

Who ll read my... final rite and... hear my... last... appeal?

Db Eb Fm

Who... struck this... devil s... deal?