

**What a Good Boy
Barenaked Ladies**

G **D** **C**
When I was born, they looked at me and said

What a good boy, what a smart boy, what a strong boy

G **D** **C**
And when you were born, they looked at you and said

What a good girl, what a smart girl, what a pretty girl

G **D** **C**
We ve got these chains that hang around our necks

People want to strangle us with them before we take our first breath

G **D** **C**
Afraid of change, afraid of staying the same

When temptation calls, we just look away

Refrão:

G **D**
This name is the hairshirt I wear

C
And this hairshirt is woven from your brown hair

G **D**
This song is the cross that I bear

C
Bear it with me, bear with me, bear with me

G D C C9 G
Be with me tonight

G D C C9 G
I know that it isn t right

But be with me tonight

G **D** **C**
I go to school, I write exams

If I pass, If I fail, If I drop out, does anyone give a damn?

G **D** **C**
And if they do, they ll soon forget

Cause it won t take much for me to show that my life ain t over yet

G **D** **C**
I wake up scared, I wake up strange

I wake up wondering if anything in my life is ever gonna change

G **D** **C**
I wake up scared, I wake up strange

And everything around me stays the same

G **D** **C**
I couldn't tell you, that I was wrong

Chickened out, grabbed a pen and paper, sat down and I wrote this song

G **D** **C**
I couldn't tell you, you were right

So instead I looked in the mirror, watched TV, layed awake all night

G **D** **C**
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