

Pauline

Barton Carroll

**Em**  
The time has come, Pauline  
**Dsus2**  
The night will fall and take its wings  
**G** **D**  
A cosmic silence long overdue  
**Bm**  
Even pitch and stone atomize  
**Dsus2**  
So don't feign surprise  
**G** **D**  
You had every day of your life didn't you?

**Bm**  
The angels called on me  
**Dsus2**  
A job o' work was sent my way  
**G**  
A tangle they could not unwind  
**Bm**  
Turns out every holy page  
**Dsus2**  
And every parson's rage  
**G** **D**  
Were all wrong. we've been friends throughout time

**Em**  
And though we rarely correspond  
**G**  
You see, my style is frowned upon  
**Bm** **A** **G**  
I'm a loner and a soldier and a thug  
**Em**  
I get it done

D C D

**Bm** **Dsus2**  
You were so dimly thinking as you were so grimly sinking  
**G** **D**  
Motherhood would save your life

**Bm**

**Dsus2**

Now it comes down to an act and the miserable fact

**G**

**D**

Don't you know loneliness is out of style

**Em**

And the South closed in on you

**G**

And made you the proof

**Bm**

**A**

**G**

Of a soul twisted by faith

**Em**

Misery abounds

**D C D**

**G**

**Em**

**G**

**Bm**

For salvation was in little things you were too remiss to know

**G**

**D**

As you fill the air with tremolo drone

**G**

**Em**

When you sow that much mendacity

**G**

**Bm**

They're gonna ring my bell below

**G**

Gonna bring me up to speed

**A**

**G**

I'll drag you wretched like an animal, moanin' like a crone

**Em**

**D**

**Dsus2**

**D**

You better hope and pray they never come home

[Solo]

**Bm Dsus2 G D X2**

**Bm**

You won't know what to do

**Dsus2**

I'll break the family out of you

**G**

**D**

I promise I will not back down

**Em**

Spinning children aching from the path

**Dsus2**

Well, now you've met your match

**G**

**D**

Victim maker, heart breaker, ruiner of lives

**Em**

**G**

And though every waking day you vamp a heavenward gaze

**Em**

**A**

**G**

In your dreams you touch the Maestro's face

**Em**

Step along

**D C D**